

LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH GROUP: TONIGHT, 9 Dec - Formal dinner. Wear your op shop treasure and bring the family for the final youth group 2018. Pot luck dinner.

ADVENT PRAYERS WITH POPE FRANCIS: The Rosary Group will incorporate Pope Francis' Advent reflections. Copies of the short prayer reflections will be left on the credence table at the back of the church for parishioners who wish to make their own private devotion.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: From **23 Dec** there will be two children's liturgy groups from the age of 3 until Holy Communion/Confirmation age.

PARISH PICNIC: Note this date in your diaries ... **St Patrick's Day, 17 March 2019.** There will be Mass at 11.30am at St Patrick's Church, Te Puke followed by a parish picnic and games. More details to follow at a later date.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP NEWS:

Martin Family Group:

Wed, 19 Dec at 10am. Cuppa and chat and further talk on ideas for next year.

Our first meeting for 2019 will be **16 Jan** at 10am at the Church Complex. Fr Stuart will talk to us on his vision for the future and we can propose ways we can be part of that vision. Further information can be had from Stan Ph 544 7955.

Kolbe Group:

Christmas Lunch **TODAY, Sun, 9 Dec** at Jo and Chris' place from 11.00 am until mid afternoon. For more info EM joandchris@yahoo.com

St Patrick's Family Group:

Meet **Sun, 16 Dec** 12.30pm for shared finger food lunch at 28 Hiria Cres, Papamoa. Any queries ph Merrillyn 575 4148.

LOVERS FOR LIFE –Engaged couples weekend: Please enrol as soon as you can for your pre-marriage course in Hamilton Weekend Course **15-16 Dec, 2018. 16-17 Feb, 2019.** Contact Joe Hogan, Marriage and Family Life Animator - joeh@cdh.org.nz - 027 742 4466.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH: If you wish to make a donation, there is a Eftpos machine in the STM Church foyer. Donations of \$5, \$10 or \$15 or you can nominate an amount. If you wish to use envelopes or bank automatic direct debit, please contact the office to arrange. Thank you for your support.

For Diocesan information check out www.newsletter.cdh.nz



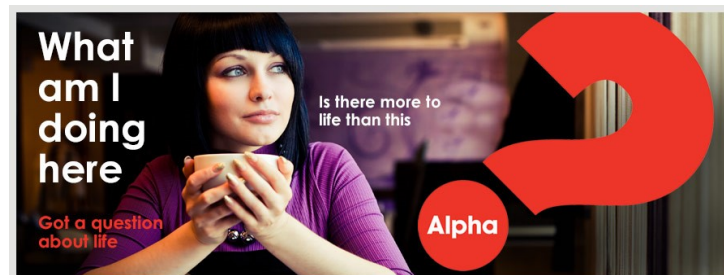
2nd Sunday of Advent, 9 December 2018

ASSISTANCE REQUIRED WITH CHRISTMAS MASS MINISTRIES: If you are available for the STM Church Masses over Christmas, please complete the sheets on the bench in the Church foyers. (Te Puke has been completed, thank you).

PLEASE NOTE: The Christmas Eve Family Mass at **5.30pm** at STM—If you are an EMC and are coming to this Mass, please enter your name on the clipboard.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY: NEXT Sun, 16 Dec: Theme: Christmas delights. We would welcome assistance with set up and **ask you to bring a plate in the Christmas Delight theme.** Please see Mike Couch, Chris Cook or Kirsty Muir – email kirsty@kaylee.co.nz or advise office if you are able to provide assistance with these. Children will have an outside area.

TE PUKE MASS ATTENDEES—PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Thursday Masses in Te Puke on **27 Dec & 3 Jan**, Masses will recommence on **10 Jan 2019** at 9am.



Some of our greatest insight's come from discussing 'Life' with friends.

Alpha is open to everyone, but especially suited to those who want to investigate

Christianity, who may not attend a church, who are not Christian or just plain curious!

Alpha is a great way to introduce people to faith. **Who will you invite to Alpha?**

Alpha begins on **12 Feb 2019** @ 7.00pm with a 'Wine & Cheese' evening. For more information or to register your interest. Contact Heidi 5754807 Ext 6 or EM: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz You can also register on the parish website under EVENTS.

THE CHRISTMAS MASS COLLECTION FOR THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE

At the Christmas Masses there is one collection and this is for the priests of the Diocese. When a man is ordained a priest in the Diocese of Hamilton, he is made a promise that his medical, retirement and other needs will be provided for now and in his elder years. The Christmas collection for the Clergy Funds is part of that promise keeping where the parishioners of the Diocese show their love and honour for the priests in their lives.

Donations over \$5 are tax deductible and envelopes are available in the church foyer if you wish to donate.

BAPTISM: We welcome into the Catholic faith Sofia Mai Knight who is receiving the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS CARDS are available from Margaret Ph 575 7868.

CALLING ALL ANGELS, SHEPHERDS AND WISE MEN! A few of us Mums are overseeing the children's activities/performances at our Church from 4pm on Christmas Eve before the family Mass.

We are wanting to invite as many children as we can to take part. We will be running a nativity play, singing carols and other items. We need to know numbers taking part and get your contact details if your child/ren wishes to be part of this. Please email through to kirsty@kaylee.co.nz (Dylan, Jack and Brylies Mum) and we can keep you posted for when we will be running a practice etc.

It will be completely informal, and we will make sure all children who want to, get to take part in this celebration.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

24 December:

4.00pm Music & plays etc at STM;

5.30pm Family Mass at STM;

7.00pm Mass at Te Puke. Carols from 6.30pm.

25 December Christmas Day:

9.30am STM.

NEW WEBSITE: www.allsaintsbythesea.nz

Parish Priest: Fr Stuart Young; EM pp@allsaintsbythesea.nz

Assistant Priest: Fr Prakash Somu; EM ap@allsaintsbythesea.nz

17 Gloucester Rd, Mt Maunganui 3116. Ph 07 575 4807 (Parish office Ex 2)

EM: admin@allsaintsbythesea.nz Office hours: 9am to 12 noon Mon to Fri

HEALTH & SAFETY TIPS:

- Keep access ways clear for emergency vehicles;
- Be aware of pedestrians and surroundings as you enter and leave the grounds;
- Please notify the parish office of any risks/hazards identified in the Church;
- Keep parking spaces closest to the Church available for elderly/infirm;
- As a security precaution please do not leave your handbag unattended in Mass;
- Take care & consideration for others when entering & exiting the church particularly in wet weather conditions;
- Ensure all children are supervised at all times, especially around the votive candles and in the kitchen area.

READINGS FOR 3rd Sunday in Advent, 16 December

(Year C): **1.** Zephaniah 3:14-18 **2.** Philippians 4:4-7

Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

MASS INTENTIONS: If you wish to have a Mass offered, please fill in the card in the Church foyer (in plastic wall stand) and hand into the office. Alternatively, phone the office to arrange. Mass offering envelopes are available also.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

Mon	Charles & Nellie Williams & family
Tues	Kevin Brophy RIP
Wed	Fred & Maisie Everson RIP
Thurs	
Fri	
Sat & Sun	All Saints by the Sea Parish

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Mt Maunganui
9.30am & 5pm

Te Puke
Saturday Vigil 5pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday
9am Mt

Tuesday
9am Mt

Wednesday
9am Mt

Thursday
9am Mt &
9am TP

Friday
9am Mt

LITURGIES

Tuesday
9am Te Puke
(Liturgy of Word &
Holy Communion)

Saturday
9am Rosary Mt

Reconciliation
Wed to Friday (Mt)
8.30am to 8.45am.
Sat (TePuke)
4:30pm

Maketu
Maori Mass
2nd Sunday
11.30am
3rd Sunday Liturgy
service 11.30am