



# Catholic Parish of Christchurch South

21st November 2021—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universal

## An Invitation.

I was 10 when Vatican II came to a close. I remember, as a child, attending Mass when it was said in Latin, and I remember vividly hearing, for the first time, Mass celebrated in English. At last I could understand what the priest was saying, and what the responses meant that I was making.

I was 17 when I was asked to read at Mass in the parish – the first year women at St Peter’s were allowed in the sanctuary for anything other than doing the flowers or stripping the altar cloths for cleaning. I was already coming to understand the significance, not only of the liturgical changes, but the shift in the understanding the church had of itself and our place in it. We were now ‘the people of God’.

The Council had made it clear that each member, lay, religious or clergy, was responsible for the life and future of the church. It called women and men in the pews to exercise the proper role assigned to them by virtue of their Baptism: ‘He has made you Christians now and has welcomed you into his holy people. As Christ was anointed Priest, Prophet and King so may you live always as members of his body’ (Rite of Baptism).

Nearly 60 years after Vatican II, Pope Francis is asking us to reflect on how we are doing as the people of God: How are we journeying together? Where is the Spirit leading us? He wants to hear from us in the lead up to the Synod in 2023. For the first time, in my memory, a Pope is asking the people of God about how God is working in their lives and in their church.

Today, on this feast of Christ the King, we are confronted in the Gospel with the image of Jesus standing betrayed and alone before Pilate, asserting yet again where real power lies: not in the pomp and privilege of monarchies ‘of this world’, but in the Suffering Servant whose ministry is to the least and the lost.

This Feast reminds us again of the invitation made at our Baptism to share in Christ’s ministry of Priest, Prophet and King. This is why I intend to accept Pope Francis’ invitation to contribute to the synodal process. Contact me if you want to too. [pastoralcare@christchurchsouth.org.nz](mailto:pastoralcare@christchurchsouth.org.nz)

**Joanne Hope**  
Coordinator of Pastoral Care



**THE PAINTING OF MARY, ASSUMED INTO HEAVEN:** that is travelling around the country will be in our parish from **Tuesday, 23rd November until Friday, 25th November.** While in the parish, the painting will be at **Our Lady of the Assumption Church,** Hoon Hay. The timetable for the dates above and information about the painting is on our [website](#) and [Facebook page](#). The church will be open from **2pm to 10pm** each night. Adoration, Rosary and confession is available each night. The Artist Damien Walker will speak about the painting on **Tuesday at 7pm.** If you want further information re: Mary’s way. Please go to [www.tearaamaria.nz/](http://www.tearaamaria.nz/)

**READINGS (Year B) This week: :**  
Dan 7:13-14; Apoc 1:5-8; Jn 18:33-37

**Response:** *The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.*

**Next week:** Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thess 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36  
These are also on our Mobile App under **Readings.**



**COLUMBAN CALENDAR:** is now available at the office for **\$12.00. Cash only please.**

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**Parish App**  
**The Catholic Parish of Christchurch South**



<https://www.facebook.com/CatholicChchSouth/>


[Catholic South Youth Group](#)



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**Parish Notices**

**PARISH FORMED.ORG SUBSCRIPTION:**

 Our parish has purchased **formed.org** for our parishioners. This website has thousands of videos, series, talks, eBooks and more. This content is suitable for children, teens and adults.

**Signing up is easy.**

- 1: Go to [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup)
- 2: Look for 'Catholic Parish of Christchurch South'
- 3: Enter your name and your email address

**SEMINARIAN VISITING:** We welcome **Lachie Bartlett**, a Marist Seminarian joining our community for a pastoral placement. Lachie grew up in Christchurch and has just finished his first year of studies.

**LOVING FOR LIFE MOTHERS/DAUGHTERS/FATHERS/SONS EVENINGS:** Loving for Life NZ helps young people explore topics around relationships and sexuality from a Catholic perspective. Our **'Toward Loving (A)'** programme aims to support parents to have confident conversations around adolescence, while also covering topics such as social media and friendship. Our parish is hosting this programme on **Tuesday 7th December for years 7-8 (11-13 year olds) and their parents/caregivers from 5:30pm - 8:15pm in the Sacred Heart parish hall.** Mothers/daughters and fathers/sons sessions will be run individually. Suggested donation is \$15 which includes pizza. To register, email [secretary@christchurchsouth.org.nz](mailto:secretary@christchurchsouth.org.nz). Please register by **Friday 3rd December**. For more information on LFL, visit [lovingforlife.org.nz](http://lovingforlife.org.nz).

**OPENING/LOCKING UP OF HALSWEL CHURCH:** We have 4 volunteers at present and are hoping for another two so we can put a roster in place. *Thank you.*

**Parish & Diocesan Notices**

**CHRISTMAS FOOD DONATIONS—ST VINCENT DE PAUL:** Christmas is coming and we are asking for your contributions towards the celebrations with Christmas food. Hampers will be going out in the week *before Christmas. 15th to 18th December.* Please place your contributions in the baskets at church foyers. Thank you so much for your support and donations throughout the year. *Pat Watson*

**HALSWELL CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:** Christmas raffle tickets are selling before and after Mass on the weekends of **27/28 November and 4/5 December.** Cash sales so please remember to bring some cash with you.

**COOK REQUIRED:** Seeking a Cook for 8 elderly women in their faith-based assisted living facility. Duties include preparation of morning tea and a midday main meal. Empathy and experience valued over qualifications. Sundays (8am-1pm) and Mondays (8am-12:30). Some flexibility possible. Please email Colette at [rsmhouse@xtra.co.nz](mailto:rsmhouse@xtra.co.nz) to apply.

**SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP – 1 HOUR: AT ST PATRICKS CHURCH – LINCOLN – SELWYN PARISH : MONDAY NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> – 1PM OR MONDAY NOVEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup> 7PM.**

Register online <https://parishresources.chchcatholic.nz/safe-church/safeguarding-course-registration/> Contact: Clodagh Ward, [cward@cdoc.nz](mailto:cward@cdoc.nz)

**FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS: 11<sup>th</sup> December 2021:** You and your family are warmly invited to celebrate our annual Festival of Lights with the Community of the Beatitudes at the Sanctuary of Fourvière (67 Leithfield Rd, Leithfield). Starting at 6pm with Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Novatus Rugambwa. Picnic dinner (bring your picnic), Eucharistic Procession, all-night adoration and benediction at dawn. Contact Thomas 022 606 2538

**Mass Intentions:** Jan Whitburn, Jo-anne George, Len Sullivan & Heather Boaz, Leon Faid, Matthew Faid, Rosemary & Bud Grose  
**Please Pray for Recently Deceased:** Joy Waters, Gill Robertson



**Weekly Collections 14 November:** Parish \$1,556 , Clergy Fund \$778  
**Automatic Payments October:** Parish \$8,056 , Clergy \$4,028  
*Thank you*  
Parish account for donations  
**Westpac 03-1592-0207148-20**

**JOHN PAUL II CENTRE—MASS OF REMEMBRANCE:** If you have experienced the loss of a child before or at birth, we invite you to join us for this year's Mass of Remembrance on **Wed 24th November at 7.30pm at St Teresa's church, Riccarton.** Call or txt us at the John Paul II Centre for Life 022 503 9249

**Alert Level 2 Mass Timetable**

**Addington Sacred Heart**  
70 Spencer Street  
**Monday** 5.30pm  
**Wednesday** 9.00am  
**Friday** 9.00am  
**Saturday** 9.00am  
**Saturday Vigil** 5.00pm.  
**Sunday** 10.30am  
**Sunday** 5.00pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation Sacred Heart:**  
**Saturday** 10.30am—11.30am  
*or by appointment with a priest*

**Exposition at Sacred Heart**  
**Friday after** 9.00am  
*Mass until 10.30am*  
**Saturday after** 9.00am  
*Mass until 11.30am*

**Beckenham St Peter's**  
11 Fisher Avenue  
**Sunday** 9.00am  
**No Weekday Masses during Alert Level 2**  
**Carmel Monastery**  
52 Halswell Road  
Daily 8.30am  
**Sunday Mass limit 30**

**Halswell Sts Peter & Paul**  
56 Nicholls Road  
**Thursday** 9.00am  
**Saturday Vigil** 6.00pm  
**Sunday** 10.30am

**Hoon Hay Our Lady of the Assumption** 170 Hoon Hay Road  
**Sunday** 9.00am  
**No Weekday Masses during Alert Level 2**

**Baptisms 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month.**  
Contact the Parish Office

**Primary Schools**  
**Our Lady of Assumption**  
Ph 338 9503,  
[www.ola.school.nz/Home/](http://www.ola.school.nz/Home/)

**Sacred Heart**  
Ph 338 3247,  
[www.sacredheartchch.school.nz](http://www.sacredheartchch.school.nz)

**St Peter's**  
Ph 332 7598,  
[www.saintpeters.school.nz](http://www.saintpeters.school.nz)