



Catholic Parish of Christchurch South

20th February 2022—7th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Love your Enemies?

One day Mother Teresa went to a local bakery in Calcutta to ask for some bread for the starving children in the orphanage. The baker, outraged at people begging for bread from him, spat at her and refused. Mother Teresa calmly took out her handkerchief, wiped the spit off and said to the baker, "Thank you for that gift for me. Now will you give something for the children?" The baker, shamed by her response, gave her the bread she wanted.



Confronting aggression with love and humility is not easy, but sometimes it can be so unexpected that it can change a person. Today's readings contain some of the most challenging directives from Jesus. We are called to love those who we consider enemies, or who consider us enemies.

These are just words until we reflect on who might be an enemy in our lives. There might be obvious cases of people who have hurt us, but also cases of people with very different personalities from ours who simply annoy us. We are called not merely to tolerate them but to love them – to want their good, what's best for them.

That's not easy – impossible without God's grace. God loves those who love him, and he loves those who do not love him. He calls us to do the same. Why? Because it is the only real way to lasting peace in our world. It breaks the cycle of perpetuating hate or even indifference. So we pray today that God may give us the grace to grow to be more like him towards the challenging people in our lives.

Fr Phil
Assistant Priest

IF YOU ARE GOING INTO HOSPITAL: Most hospitals no longer provide names of Catholic patients to our chaplains. If there is someone from your family going to hospital please advise the chaplain:

- Christchurch Hospital:** Angela McCormick 364 0640 (x89554)
- Burwood Hospital:** Appointment pending
- Hillmorton Hospital:** Joan Hough 021 501 683
- Nurse Maude Hospice:** Christchurch North Parish 03 359 1438
- St George's Hospital:** Christchurch North Parish 03 359 1438
- Southern Cross:** Cathedral Parish 379 1068

If you would like a Priest to come and anoint you please contact the Parish Office on 03 338 8395.

READINGS (Year C) This week:

1 Sam 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23;
1 Cor 15: 45-49; Lk 6: 27-38



Response: *The Lord is kind and merciful*

Next week: Ecc 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58;
Lk 6:39-45

These are also on our Mobile App under **Readings.**



Mass Intentions: James McCormick, Sala Kalolo, Harry Ross, Timothy Ross, Fa'avae Bassanio Tamala, Bud & Rosemary Grose, Carol Kerwin, Heather Boaz, Elizabeth Paily, Maree Khouri, Carol Kerwin.
Anniversaries Joan O'Loughlin, Blair O'Connor

Please Pray for Recently Deceased:

Ele'elesa (Sa) Pula, Linda Baird, Joan Nicolle

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Christchurchsouth.org.nz



Parish App
The Catholic Parish of Christchurch South



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

Parish Notices

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME: You can now register your children for the First holy communion programme on the **parish website**. This is open for parishioners whose children have been baptised and are in **Year 4 or older**.

DONATIONS towards School Attendance Dues 2022: The cost for one Term is \$115.60 (\$462.5 per year). If you would like to assist, donations can be made to the parish bank account, with reference **ATT DUES**.

Thank you to those who have donated so far.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: Come join us for Mass on **Mondays at 5.30 pm** at Sacred Heart Church and for a gathering after. We have talks and discussions on various topics and then dinner.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE HOON HAY: invites you to attend a World Day of Prayer service at OLA Hoon Hay on **Friday 4th March 2022 at 10am**. All are welcome. The service is prepared by WDP England, Wales and Northern Ireland. Please wear a mask and show your vaccine pass. We won't have our usual cuppa this year.



BIBLE DIARY 2022: We still have a few Bible Diaries for 2022 available at the **parish office for \$20**.

ONLINE MASS: St Mary's Pro-Cathedral Mass at 9am. Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TCgzJ7jRCKk> or find the link on the diocesan website and Facebook page.

Parish & Diocesan Notices

COVID COMPANIONS: Would you, or someone you know, like a parishioner to keep in touch with you by phone over the next couple of months? OR are you happy to listen and chat, and would have some time to keep in phone contact with a parishioner at home? If you would like a "covid phone companion" or would like to be one, please email Joanne Hope Coordinator of Pastoral-Care PastoralCare@christchurchsouth.org.nz or ring the parish office and leave your name with Janice 03 338 8395

CATHSOC: Is there anyone you know who is heading to university this year or is a young professional in Christchurch? Have they heard about CathSoc? CathSoc's mission is to provide a social environment for Catholic young adults. From faith formation, social events to tramping trips CathSoc has something for everyone. Check us out on [Facebook](#) and share to those you know who may wish to join.



COUPLES FOR CHRIST: invites you to join their Christian Life Program. Starting **12th March at 6.30pm at St Peter's Hall, Beckenham**. A My Vaccine Pass is required. Dinner & refreshments will be served. Please contact Albert Sanico 021 812 106, Jojo Tio 021 1587 595 or Al Abela 027 569 3405.

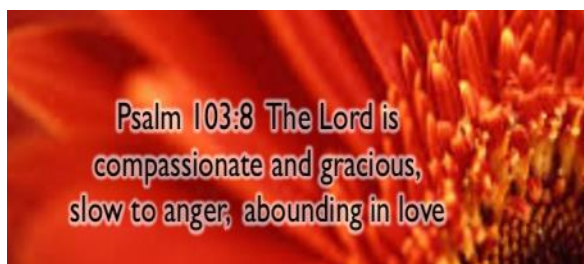
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: – The Catholic Shop is looking for volunteers for a few hours per week. If you enjoy customer service, have some general computer skills, and would be interested please contact Vicki on 03 366 9869 or vschubach@cdoc.nz

UNAVAILABILITY FOR ROSTER: If you are going to be unavailable for a particular weekend for the roster can you please either log the unavailability into Elvanto or send an email to Janice in the office. Thank you all for your service in ministry. It is greatly appreciated.

Weekly Collections 13 February
Parish \$1,546 Clergy Fund \$773

Automatic Payments January 2022
Parish \$9,551 Clergy \$4,775
Thank you

Parish account for donations
Westpac 03-1592-0207148-20



Catholic Parish of Christchurch
South: Mass Times for RED
Traffic Light

Registration required for all weekend Masses.

Addington - Sacred Heart
70 Spencer Street

Monday	5.30pm
Wednesday	9.00am
Friday	9.00am
Saturday	9.00am
Saturday Vigil	5.00pm.
*Sunday	9.00am
Sunday	10.30am
*Sunday	5.00pm

*Sunday 9am and 5pm Masses:
No Vaccine Pass required, 25 maximum.

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

Exposition at Sacred Heart
Friday 9.30am until 10.30am
Saturday 9.30am until 11.30am

Beckenham - St Peter's
11 Fisher Avenue
Sunday 9.00am

Carmel Monastery
52 Halswell Road
*Daily 8.30am
*My Vaccine Pass required.
Limit 40

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

Baptisms 2nd Sunday of the month.
Contact the Parish Office

Primary Schools

Our Lady of Assumption
Ph 338 9503,
www.ola.school.nz/Home/

Sacred Heart, Ph 338 3247,
www.sacredheartchch.school.nz

St Peter's, Ph 332 7598,
www.saintpeters.school.nz