



Catholic Parish of Christchurch South

23rd October 2022—30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MISSION SUNDAY 2022

It may appear as though in the Catholic Church, in our country, the signs for a future are not very positive nor life giving. I am not talking about our present situation post or even present Covid 19. Nor am I talking about the abuse that has been part of the recent history in our Church. What I am talking about is the number of people in Aotearoa/New Zealand who no longer believe in God; the number of people who state they are Catholic but no longer practice. We can look at such things and say “*why bother*”? “*why make an effort to give witness to my faith*”? “*what is the point*”?

Being missionary is never losing hope for a better future. Being missionary is being persistent and persevering in our relationship to God and never losing heart.

Mission Sunday is a celebration for all of us and what our vocation is in life. For most of us **we are missionaries “at home”** where we are invited to bring the message of God’s love and presence to all we encounter on our life’s journey.

One author states: “*our mission field is right where we are now. Mission Sunday reminds us that mission is not something added to our Christian faith. Rather it is at the heart of our faith.*”

The theme of this year’s World Mission Sunday is a quote from the Acts of the Apostles, which is the ‘Book of Mission’. Pope Francis has chosen the text, ‘**You shall be my witnesses**’ (Acts 1:18).

Mission is sharing the faith that gives us life. Faith not in the sense of a list of beliefs and practices, but rather a relationship with Christ that gives life, life in abundance.

It is a personal challenge to love God wholeheartedly and to treat our neighbour as we would want to be treated, with respect and dignity.

In a world where so many things divide us, **World Mission Sunday** is a reminder of our unity as missionaries by our baptism. It offers each one of us an opportunity to support the life giving presence of the Church in our world.

As Pope Francis states: “*As far as God’s love is concerned, no one is useless or insignificant. Each of us is a mission to the world, for each of us is the fruit of God’s love.*”

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READINGS (Year C) This week:

Ecc 35:12-14, 16-19; 2 Tim 4: 6-8, 16-18;
Luke 18:9-14



Response:

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Next week: Wis 11:22-12:2; 2 Thess 1:11-2:2;

Luke 19: 1-10

These are also on the Parish App under Readings.

KEEP THE DATE:

ABLAZE CONFERENCE: Friday 4th November (evening) and Saturday 5th November 2022.

The theme is **Growing in Holiness, Strengthening our Faith Community and Proclaiming the Good News.**

Check it out at:

[Ablaze 2022 Conference – Catholic Diocese of Christchurch \(chchcatholic.nz\)](https://www.chchcatholic.nz)



Parish Website
[Christchurchsouth.org.nz](https://www.chchcatholic.nz)



Parish App
The Catholic Parish of
Christchurch South



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

PARISH NOTICES



OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY: Each year Pope Francis encourages us to pray the Rosary daily in October, for Mary's protection. The Rosary will be prayed **Monday to Friday at 5pm at Sacred Heart Church** during the month of October.

BIG THANK YOU: to three generous parishioners for funding of the blossom tree pruning, at St Peters.

Chris Hope



ST PETERS SCHOOL QUIZ NIGHT: Friday 4th November at 7.30pm. Opawa Community Church Hall. The night is 'Movie' themed so if you would like to dress up please do so. Dress up is not mandatory however.



5-6 members per quiz team (each person to book a separate ticket). If you don't have a team, we will be happy to put you in a team on the night. We will have a foodie interval, so pack a **BYO food** package, platter, picnic for your team to enjoy on the night. **No alcohol please.**

For more information and to purchase tickets: <https://events.humanitix.com/quiz-night-0xsb72e9>

PARISH LADIES WALKING GROUP (NEW): Come and join us on the 2nd and 4th **Thursdays** of the month, commencing **27 October 2022.**



Meet at **Christchurch South Library** main entrance ahead of a **9.30 am** start. Total walking time about an hour plus a stop for a coffee along the way. Walk at your own pace. All are welcome!

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE Remembering our loved ones who have died.

You and your family are welcome to attend a Mass of Remembrance on the Feast of Holy Souls, Wednesday November 2nd at 7.30pm at Sacred Heart Church, 70 Spencer Street Addington.

If your loved one's funeral was held at one of our parish churches over the last year we may have a copy of the funeral leaflet, but if the funeral was held elsewhere, please feel free to bring a photo or memento of your loved one, or email me a picture with their name, to add to our display -

pastoralcare@christchurchsouth.org.nz

With every blessing,

Joanne Hope - Pastoral Coordinator

MISSION SUNDAY: is today 23 October 2022

Mission Sunday is celebrating our being witnesses of God, ready to proclaim, in word and deeds, the joy of the Good News of Jesus. We also express our solidarity to help missionary activities in other parts of the world. Give from your heart. Your gift is your legacy to missions. Donate online: <https://missio.nz/donate>



To make a bank transfer please use **ANZ 06 0411 002 1447-30** and email info@missio.nz with your details if you require a receipt.



2023 COLUMBAN CALENDARS

Now on sale at the office,
70 Spencer Street, Addington.
\$12.00—cash only please

Weekly Collections 16 October

Parish \$2,011 Clergy Fund \$1,005

Auto Payments September

Parish \$9,587 Clergy Fund \$4,793

Next Special Collection:

Christmas Day – for Diocesan Clergy

Parish account for donations

Westpac 03-1592-0207148-20

Thank you

Mass Intentions:

Murray Thorn, Bud & Rosemary Grose,
Len Sullivan & Heather Boaz, Creo, Felipe, Paulo
& others, Harry Lockington (anniv),
Mary O'Neale (anniv)

Please Pray for Recently Deceased:

Sharman Simon, Annette Moran,
Nola McDonald, Mons. Bill Middleton



Catholic Parish of Christchurch

South: Mass Times

Addington - Sacred Heart

70 Spencer Street

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| Monday | 6.00pm |
| Wednesday | 9.00am |
| Friday | 9.00am |
| Saturday | 9.00am |
| Saturday Vigil | 5.00pm |
| Sunday | 10.30am |

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

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| Sunday | 9.00am |
| Thursday | 11.00am* |

(*School Term only)

Carmel Monastery

52 Halswell Road

Daily 8.30am

Halswell - Sts Peter & Paul

56 Nicholls Road

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| Thursday | 9.00am |
| Saturday Vigil | 6.00pm |
| Sunday | 10.30am |

Hoon Hay

Our Lady of the Assumption

170 Hoon Hay Road

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| Sunday | 9.00am |
| Friday | 11.00am* |

(*School Term only)

Baptisms 2nd Sunday of the month.

Contact the Parish Office on

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Primary Schools

Our Lady of Assumption

Ph 338 9503,

www.ola.school.nz/Home/

Sacred Heart, Ph 338 3247,

[www.sacredheartchch.](http://www.sacredheartchch.school.nz)

[school.nz](http://www.sacredheartchch.school.nz)

St Peter's, Ph 332 7598,

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