



Catholic Parish of Christchurch South

5th March 2023— 2nd Sunday of Lent

The Catholic Parish of Christchurch South in 2023

This is a letter rather than a reflection! Here we are in March and so many things have already happened in the first two months of this year; some of them not so good (**Cyclone Gabrielle**). We continue to support those affected with our prayer and where possible, financial support.

In our parish you have been offered the opportunity to become a member of a **Passionist Family Group**. I would like to thank those families/individuals who have indicated their willingness to be part of a group. The primary reason for beginning new groups is to bring about a **greater “connection” between our parishioners** as we continue to worship in five separate faith communities.



There are three other key areas that we need to look at this year: **pastoral care, liturgical ministries and a renewal of planned giving.**

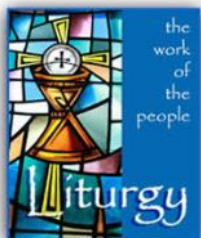


You would have seen the notice in the newsletter last weekend and again this weekend inviting you to consider being part of the **pastoral care ministry**. We need parishioners to assist in this vital ministry to the many rest homes we have in our parish and to parishioners who live in their own homes/units who either because of age or health cannot join with us at the celebration of the Eucharist. If you are able to assist, would you please make contact with Joanne Hope, Coordinator of Pastoral Care (email: PastoralCare@christchurchsouth.org.nz or ring the parish office: 3388395). Formation will be given to those who are able to assist in this ministry.

With regard to **liturgical ministries**, it is time to ask those who are involved in these ministries if they would like to continue or to step down. In most areas of liturgical ministries, we need more parishioners to assist: greeters, music ministry, laptop operators, Proclaimers of the Word, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, to name a few.



It is my intention to **contact, via a letter**, those parishioners already involved asking if you would either like to continue or to “retire”. I will also in this letter be asking you if you would like to give me the name/s of parishioners who you think could be invited to become involved in a liturgical ministry. Once again formation will be provided by the parish.



Later this month you will be receiving information from the Finance & Management Committee with regard to a **renewal in planned giving**. We are no different from any other organization/household with regard to an increase in our costs. With four churches and four parish halls to maintain, four paid employees on the Parish Staff, we rely on you to assist us in meeting the financial commitments of our parish. I take this opportunity to thank those of you who do contribute financially to our parish; your generosity is appreciated.



We have ten months of this year before us! I pray that, we, as a parish in 2023, can continue to give **pastoral care** to our parishioners, develop our **liturgical ministries** for all our faith communities and to **renew planned giving**, as we journey together as the Catholic Parish of Christchurch.

With kind regards and blessings

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Parish Priest

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Parish App
The Catholic Parish of
Christchurch South



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

READINGS (Year A) Gen 12:1-4; 2 Tim 1:8-10; Matthew 17:1-9

Response: *Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.*

Next Week: (Year A) Ex 17:3-7; Roms 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42

These are also on the Parish App under **Readings**.



PARISH NOTICES

ADORATION AND CONFESSION. Join us this Lent for Adoration and Confession **7.00pm—8.00pm**

Our Lady of the Assumption **Thursday 9 March**
Church, Hoon Hay:

St Peters Church, **Thursday 16 March**
Beckenham

Sts Peter & Paul Church, **Thursday 23 March**
Halswell

Sacred Heart Church, **Thursday 30 March**
Addington



STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Come and join us at Our Lady of the Assumption, Hoon Hay on **Fridays at 6pm.**

CUP OF TEA TODAY AFTER 10.30AM MASS AT ADDINGTON 5th March 2023.

One of our parish goals is to grow our community and provide opportunities to connect. Come over for a coffee / tea and a chat after Mass.



TAKING COMMUNION TO THOSE WHO ARE HOUSEBOUND OR SICK: Many elderly parishioners

are grateful that someone from the parish visits them regularly, bringing them Holy Communion and keeping them in touch with the parish community. We're grateful for the number of people who undertake this ministry across the parish, and are looking to grow our numbers as the need increases. We will be holding two formation sessions **15th and 22nd March**. If you would like to discuss whether this is something you could do, please contact Joanne Hope



pastoralcoordinator@christchurchsouth.org.nz or leave your contact details with Janice ph 338 8395.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP MOVEMENT :

A fabulous response to the Passionist Family Group promotion! There is a meeting for all those who responded next **Tuesday, 7th March, at 7pm in the Sacred Heart hall**. We will be letting you know who is in your group and talking a little bit about how we organise ourselves. We look forward to seeing you there. Pamela and Bob Arthurs. Ph 0210 297 6327

LENTEN SEASON ART EXHIBITION: 11th & 12th March

—St Mary's Pro Cathedral 373 Manchester Street. Church Narthex

CARITAS: Week 2—Do Not Be Afraid.
Donate online www.caritas.org.nz

Do you want to build your faith this Lent?
Check out formed.org watch.formed.org

It is your face, O Lord, I seek: hide not your face from me.

Parish Collections 26 February
Parish \$1,994 Clergy Fund \$997

Next Special Collection:
Good Friday – for Holy Places

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

Mass Intentions: Bryan Clapp (anniv), Sally Consedine, Margaret Consedine, Heather Boaz, Alan Rigg, Karameli Lesa, Lesina & Lui Tuliatu, Rosie & Bud Grose, Ken Meadowcroft, Carmelita Pasa & Cade Lorenzo, Mama Clana, Izabela & baby

Please Pray for all those with Anniversaries at this time: Bryan Clapp

Please Pray for Recently Deceased:
Stephen Cuttance, Zander Scobie-Alford, Ursula Mahoney, Moacir Prado

BISHOP MICHAEL LAUNCHES GABRIELLE RELIEF APPEAL:

Since Bishop Michael reached out to ask for your most generous support of the Auckland Flood Appeal, the North Island has been ravaged again – this time by Cyclone Gabrielle. Once more, we ask you to answer the call to assist those most unfortunate in the same way those in the North Island reached out to help us in the aftermath of the earthquakes which hit our Diocese in 2010, 2011 and 2016. Bishop Michael has launched the Cyclone Gabrielle Relief Appeal, which will support the disaster relief efforts, remediation and recovery work, and the physical, mental and financial support services of the Dioceses of Auckland, Hamilton and Palmerston North.

If you would like to support the Appeal, please donate online at www.cdcc.nz. You can also donate by scanning the QR Code with your phone. Thank you for your generosity in helping those that are struggling as a result of another tragic event.



SCAN ME TO DONATE

Catholic Parish of Christchurch South: Mass Times

Addington - Sacred Heart

70 Spencer Street
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
Sunday 9.00am
Thursday 11.00am*
(*School Term only)

Carmel Monastery

52 Halswell Road
Daily 8.30am

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
Friday 11.00am*
(*School Term only)

Baptisms 2nd Sunday of the month.

Contact the Parish Office on 338 8395

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