

PARISH NOTICES

1. **Our Parish Priests** will be away in Samoa for their annual meeting from Monday 13th till Saturday 18th January 2020. Please keep them in your prayers.
2. Still no **Evening Masses** until **Tuesday 4th February 2020**.
3. No **Adoration** until **Sunday 9th February 2020**.
4. Still no **Hall Bookings** throughout the month of **January 2020**, Thank you.
5. **Sacramental Programme – 2020** Enrolments are now open for children 8 years and older to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion & Confirmation. Please contact Melanie or Michaela Duarte on 622 1521 or email olotasacramentalprogramme@gmail.com Enrolments close 2nd February 2020. No late enrolments will be accepted. Thank you.
6. **St Joseph's School Gifting Fund:** SJS Board of Trustees have been bequeathed some money from Onehunga resident Fred McKeever. It has been decided to pass on some of the 'windfall' to our families. The **first 40 new entrant students enrolled for 2020 will be given a school uniform & free stationery; also, 10 scholarships will be available for 2020 for new and existing students at Year 7 level.**

DIOCESAN NOTICES

1. **Mercy Spirituality Centre** 104 Drive, Epsom. Ph. 638 6238

info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz

DREAMWORK 202 WORKSHOPS Practising Dreamwork Skills with MARGARET BOWATER.

Fri 31 Jan, 2020 10am-1pm. \$45 per session. These workshops are open to people who have previously attended an introductory dream workshop and seek to improve skills.

RETREAT DAY Reconfigured: Transformed by Reality with SARAH COOPER. Sat 15 Feb, 9.30am-3.30pm. \$65 incl. lunch. On this retreat, we will explore how we can encounter life's unpredictable infoldings with our loving presence: learning to let go and enter in.

MUFFIN MEETING The Mystics of Helfta with ELIZABETH SNEDDEN rscj. Fri 21 Feb, 10.30am-12.30pm. \$15 incl. morning tea. We often think that popular devotion to the Sacred Heart began in Paray-le-Moniale in the 17th Century, with Margaret Mary Alacoque. However, there were three visionaries living together in the 13th Century who wrote beautifully of the Heart of Christ. The youngest and greatest of these was Gertrude the Great. Meet and pray with her and the two Mechtilids at the monastery of Helfta where they flourished, an oasis for women in the misogynistic Middle Ages.

Who is my Neighbour? with BRIDGET CRISP rsm. Tues 25 Feb, 10am – 5pm. \$35 incl.

2. Auckland Charismatic Renewal Opening Mass 2020. All members of Charismatic realities are invited to come for the opening Mass of 2020 at Sacred Heart Church, 16 Vermont St, Ponsonby on 1st February at 10.30am followed by shared lunch in the hall. Contact Deidre 021 022 51 103 or Anil 022 364 9306

3. St Valentine's Day Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral. *Celebration of Marriage and Family*. Friday 14th February at 7.30 pm (Wilson parking \$4.00 validate ticket at Cathedral). All welcome: Engaged, Married, Singles, Families, Children. Email Gerry at gerrys@cda.org.nz, ph 360-3025.

4. Formation for Parish Musicians, Choirs, Cantors, Liturgy Committees. February 15th, 2020, the Liturgy Centre will be hosting a formation day for musicians, choirs, cantors, liturgy committees and all people with an interest in music in the Mass. Presenters: Michael Mangan, a composer of music from Brisbane, Fr John O'Connor, Director of the National liturgy Office. Venue: Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Onehunga. Please bring your own lunch. (poster attached).

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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**A VOICE CAME
FROM HEAVEN,
"YOU ARE MY SON,
THE BELOVED,
MY FAVOUR RESTS
ON YOU."**

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD YEAR A: 12TH JANUARY 2020

Daily Morning Eucharist:	Monday - Friday 7.30am
Daily Evening Eucharist:	Tuesday - Thursday 7.00pm
First Friday Eucharist:	7.30am and also at 7.00pm
Saturday Eucharist:	8.00am and Vigil 6.00pm
Sunday Eucharist:	8.30am & 10.00am
Public Holidays:	8.00am, no evening Mass
Adoration:	Sunday 5.00pm-5.45pm
Tongan Mass:	2nd Sunday of every month at 12.00pm
Samoan Mass:	3rd Sunday of every month at 11.30am
Youth Mass:	4th Sunday of every month at 10.00am
Reconciliation:	Every Saturday at 8.30am-9.00am and 5.00pm-5.30pm
Samoan Divine Mercy prayer meetings:	Every 1st, 3rd & 4th Mondays at 12noon-2.00pm
The Legion of Mary prayer meeting:	Every Wednesday from 7.35pm-9.00pm (Pavilion)

Reflection

THIS IS MY SON, THE BELOVED. Just before he confronts the tempter in the desert, Jesus is baptised in the Jordan. He is revealed as the beloved Son of God. His baptism marks the beginning of his public ministry, the time when the role of John the Baptist will decrease and Jesus' proclamation of the kingdom of God, by word and deed, will increase.

(Is 42:1-4,6-7). This passage is from the first of the four Servant Songs of Second Isaiah. Though the identity of the Servant remains a mystery, the early Christians saw the 'servant songs' as being perfectly fulfilled in Jesus. This reading is chosen for today because the words spoken by the heavenly voice at the baptism of Jesus (Gospel reading) are taken almost verbatim from Isaiah 42:1.

(Acts 10:34-38). The conversion of Cornelius (a Gentile) was a significant milestone in the transmission of the Good News and the formation of the people of the Church. In his sermon on that occasion Peter declares that God has no favourites:

God would grant salvation to all people in Christ. For today's feast the relevant passage is the description of Jesus' baptism: an anointing with the Holy Spirit and with power.

(Mt 3:13-17). The story of Jesus' baptism is an epiphany story: Jesus is revealed as the Father's beloved Son, and given power for the mission he was about to begin. This is Matthew's main emphasis. John's baptism was a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins (Mk 1:4). The fact that Jesus should undergo such a baptism was a source of an example of humility, to show solidarity with sinners, and to inaugurate his mission to sinners.

Readings for The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord 12th January 2020

First reading:

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah. 42: 1-4,6-7
Here is my chosen servant in whom my soul delights!

Responsorial Psalm: 29

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,
 ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
 Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name;
 worship the Lord in holy splendour.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters;
 the Lord, over mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is powerful;
 the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

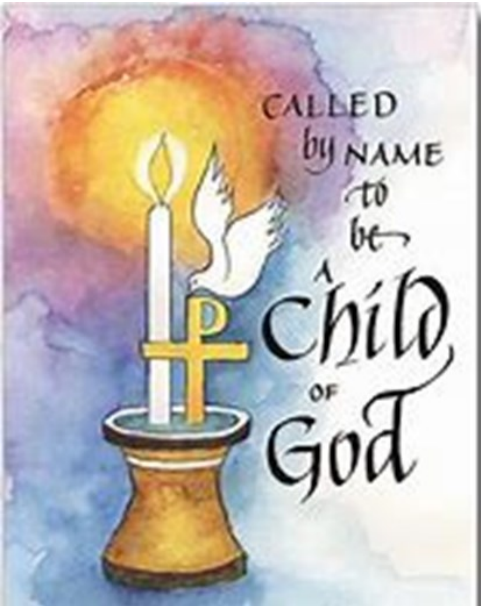
The God of glory thunders,
 and in his temple all say, "Glory!"
 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;
 the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.

Second reading:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. 10: 34-38
The Lord anointed him with the Holy Spirit!

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
 The heavens were opened and the Father's voice was heard:
 this is my Son, the beloved; listen to him!
 Alleluia!



Gospel:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
 3: 13-17

***When Jesus had been baptised,
 he saw the Spirit of God coming
 upon him!***

Readers for this week: Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th January 2020

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Veronica Hagar	1. Therese Ulberg 2. James Williams	Lois Armiger Ane Enosi
8.30am	Glen Hill	1. Lily Ulberg 2. Grace Tu'inukuafe	Savelina Mahoni Cheryl Peters
10.00am	Tatupu Vaalepu	1. Kalala Soalo 2. Peta Sefo	Alison Finekifolau Malia Apikotoa

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week:

Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th January 2020

6.00pm	Assumption Ilalio, Heloyis Titus, Colleen & Don Hodges
8.30am	Hulu & Susitina Tu'inukuafe, Limpia Britto, Paul Lovett
10.00am	Malia Fuga, Inoke Kata, Elaine Williams, Tonga & Ane Enosi, Melanie & Stan Duarte

Readers for next Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th January 2020

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Joseph Tuipulotu	1. Ane Enosi 2. Tatupu Vaalepu	James Williams Assumption Ilalio
8.30am	Susitina Tu'inukuafe	1. Fiesola Pifeleti 2. Savelina Mahoni	Lily Ulberg Grace Tu'inukuafe
10.00am	Su'a Tagaloa	1. James Williams 2. Selesitina Taamale	Iufita Sefo Kalala Soalo

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Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th January 2020

6.00pm	David Hagar, Tonga Enosi, Savelina Tuipulotu, Inoke Kata
8.30am	Hulu Tu'inukuafe, Limpia Britto, Imeleta Kelemete, Amanda Peters
10.00am	Eseta Oloa, Melanie & Stan Duarte, Elaine Williams, Kilika Leavasa, Tonga & Ane Enosi

Anniversaries for the coming week 13th to 19th January

- 13. Anna Glen (1999)
- 14. John Allen (1978), Robert Butler Hogan (1995), Beatrice Norma Lawrence (1997), Albert John Meier (2008), Fiso Matthew Tanuvasa (2014)
- 15. Mary Bridgit Hughes (1978)
- 16. Brien Patrick Fairey (1990), Anaseini Mataele (2013)
- 17.
- 18. Thomas Verdun Greaney (1976), John Paul Grima (1985)
- 19. John Brown Sr (1957), Hilda Mary McCarten (1988), Robert John Parker (1991), Geraldine Grace Todd (1997), Margaret (Peggy) Baker (2009)

Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00

New Year's collection was \$1293.50

Last week's collection was \$1851.00

Readings for Next Week (19/01/20)

Second Sunday Ordinary Time Year A

1st Reading: Isaiah. 49: 3,5-6

Psalm 40

2nd Reading: I Corinthians. 1: 1-3

Gospel: John. 1: 29-34

Anniversaries of Deaths: If you wish the deceased members of your family to be mentioned in the Sunday bulletin, please supply details the week before.

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Monday—Friday, 9:00am to 3:00pm

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