

**THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
08TH NOVEMBER 2020**

REFLECTION

As the public ministry of Jesus draws to a close, Matthew introduces the themes of delay and the need to be ready for the second coming of Christ. Matthew's community were living in the 'in-between' times. Christ's victory over death through his resurrection had begun a new phase in history, but it was not yet complete. Completion would only come with his return in glory. We again hear the familiar imagery of the messianic banquet or wedding feast to which all are invited. But only those who live with an attitude of openness and readiness will come into the great hall. This parable speaks strongly of the need to live in the present with an eye to the future. We cannot live only for the 'now' with no thought for our ultimate goal, nor can we ignore the sufferings and responsibilities of the present and set our hearts only on heaven.

- How well do you balance the spiritual and practical realities of life?
- In what ways are you ready for Christ's coming in baptism?

**REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL OF
MATTHEW**

Continues on Thursday 05th November in the Foley Centre. Mornings 10.15 to 11.30am
Evenings 7 to 8.30pm

SUMMER JOB NEEDED!

Our seminarian Joseph Pham provides home services including haircut and IT support as his summer job. If you can help please contact him at josepham298@gmail.com or 0221993298.

TRAINED WEEKEND MINISTERS

We will soon be emailing you to find out your availability over the Christmas and January period, so please start thinking about it NOW. We need, at least a Mass Coordinator, a projectionist and 2 Ministers of the Word at each Mass over the holiday period. If you are not going away then please volunteer and email your availability to info@northcotecatholic.org.nz

HELP! HELP!

Do all the good you can, to as many people as you can, as often as you can. Are you keen to be part of a friendly team? The Society of St Vincent de Paul needs more volunteers – please come and see how you can help us to help others at either of our two Vinnies Op Shops – 106 Beach Haven Road or 75 Ellice Road, Glenfield. Ph: 443-5274.

VACANCY PREGNANCY HELP

For an Auckland Branch Coordinator. Ideal candidate must be trained in counselling, be IT literate, have good management skills, be willing to commit to achieving great outcomes for vulnerable pregnant women. Email CV to Kheng Tan at kdsdtan@gmail.com

CONGRATULATIONS!

To the following young parishioners who Were Confirmed and received their First Holy Communion last Friday evening:

Lily Alexander	Joseph Alleman
Princess Amang	James Andrew
Grace Arnold	Alex Brebner
Jelwynne Casulla	Sophie Culph
Amelia Devlin	Emily Dobson
Joseph Dobson	Lily Garrett
Oliver Johnstone-Bentley	
Atasha Juanillo	Jonathan Koe
Leifro Lase	Jiho Lee
Cate Lindsay	Mikayla Manu
Brydon Manu	Lochlan Marshall
Jacinda Marshall	Hannah May
Samantha Merilles	Kristian Meys
Lorielle Milo	Stella Portella
Joseph Reynolds	Shaelyn Ruane-Pintal
Natalie-Rose Saputra	Rhaeleen Tablang
Anna Tran	Chloris Wong
Nina Yurak	Maristel Cabute
Caitlyn Calma	Devarne Abrahams

OPEN DAY: GIANNA'S CHOICE

Pregnancy Options and Support

All are invited to visit our pregnancy centre. We are keen for more people to join us in assisting expectant mothers.

Those who would be interested could be those with a desire to serve others, experienced mothers or women with health or helping Background plus a solid pro-life commitment in the context of Catholic morality. The opportunities are varied. Volunteers are needed on an on-call and regular basis.

All welcome Saturday 14th November at 2pm. John Paul Centre, 569 Richardson Road, Mt. Roskill. Enquiries to 021 231 7954

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMETABLE

Christmas Eve Thursday 24th December

6.00pm Children's Play

6.30pm Vigil Mass

11.20pm Christmas Carols

12midnight Mass

Christmas Day Friday 25th December

8.15am Children's play

8.30am Mass

10.30am Mass

We revert to the normal Timetable on 26th December

5.30pm Sat. Vigil 8.30am, 10.30am and 5pm

With weekday Mass Monday to Saturday at 9.15am

**SECOND-HAND-ST. MARY'S (Primary)
UNIFORM**

Required for a year 6 girl starting at St Mary's next year. (girls size 12 family returning from Australia).

If you have a year 6 girl this year who is finished with her uniform grandparents Letalie and Sia Va'a would like to buy it from you.

Please contact them on 021 0228 4661 if you can help

CULTURAL DAY

Unfortunately due to all of the COVID set backs and delays we are unable to hold our annual Cultural Day this year. We will be back in 2021!

UNPACKING THE MISSION MAP

The Diocesan Mission Map (Pastoral Plan) will be officially launched on the first Sunday of Advent. All parishioners are welcome to an unpacking session 14 November 2020 9.30 AM TO 3.30 PM, St Columba Centre 40 Vermont St, Ponsonby. There is no need to bring anything except lunch, we will provide drinks and a welcome space. The purpose of the time together is to give people background to the pastoral plan (Mission Map) and provide an opportunity to engage with the goals and priorities as community groups and the wider diocese. We will not be providing answers or giving blueprints. We will be providing 'thinking spaces' where activities and input to give a framework for considering how implementation might happen. A tilling of soil and planting of seeds. Please let the office know if you would like to attend info@northcotecatholic.org.nz

**WORKING BEE TO MAKE THE CHURCH
AND GROUNDS LOOK BEAUTIFUL FOR
CHRISTMAS**

Saturday 5th December from 10am to approximately 12noon.

Please bring cleaning materials, cloths. tools for the garden, water blaster and your enthusiasm & energy!!!
Many hands make light work

COVID_19 HYGIENE

Even though things are more normal now, we encourage you to use the sanitizers available as you enter & leave the church, in addition to frequent washing of your hands. Also ensure that you cough or sneezed into your elbow. We also ask that you be conscious of the fact that some parishioners are still not comfortable with personal contact so a smile/wave of acknowledgement is most acceptable.

JUBILEE BURSARY

APPLICATIONS INVITED for Semester 1, 2021. Applicants must be Catholic and contributing to the mission of the Catholic Church in the Auckland Diocese. The bursary is a contribution toward fees for Theology and RE courses at degree and post grad level. Applications close Thursday, 12 Nov. 2020 For info. and an application pack please contact: Michelle Jarvis michellej@cda.org.nz Ph:(09)360-3091

DE PAUL HOUSE FOOD BANK REQUEST

Thank you so much for the ongoing donations of food for De Paul House. Stocks are VERY LOW so please help with anything you can especially items for Children's lunches and tinned meat or fish maybe a few treats!!.

HALL FOR HIRE - phone 480 7357 or Email info@northcotecatholic.org.nz

YOUTH EVENT - LIFETEEN (13-17yrs)/EDGE (8 -12yrs)!!
 Our last LifeTeen Mass and Life night for 2020 will be held NEXT SUNDAY 15th November from 5pm. SEE YOU THERE!!
 Parents please encourage children/teens to come along)

DATES FOR YOUR DAIRY!
Angel Tree will be in the Church 28/29th November (1st Sunday in Advent)
Recollection Evening: Uncertainty—Christian Response 7 to 9pm Friday 4th December (please register with the office info@northcotecatholic.org.nz or phone 480 7357)
Anointing of the Sick Masses 5.30pm Vigil 5th December and 10.30am Mass 6th December
Advent Reconciliation Rite II 9th December 7pm
De Paul House : Special Collection of non perishable Food and Christmas Treats (No Mince Pies or Christmas Puddings please) Weekend of the 12/13th December.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS
 For 2021 are now available from the parish office at \$12 each. If you would like to volunteer to sell them after weekend Masses Please contact Pauline 480 7357.

BROKEN ROSARY BEADS?
 We have a kind parishioner who is happy to mend your beads FREE OF CHARGE! Just leave them in an envelope in the church foyer (container provided) include your name and contact number, they will be collected on a Saturday morning and they will be returned as soon as possible. Many have asked what to do with blessed rosaries beyond repair. Please place them in the plastic container so beads can be used to repair other sets. Thank you.

PLEASE PRAY
 For Erica JEW. Mother of Kate who returned home to God last Wednesday. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE

CARE OF CHURCH LINEN – 8 Nov. Michelle J & 15 Nov. Orille F
CHURCH CLEANING - 14 Nov. Issa N & 21 Nov. Aida A

Please pray : For the elderly and frail and the sick in our parish, especially, Philip, Yohann, Linda F, John McC, Megan S, Peter D, Peter C, John W, Mary L. Shannon, Owen B, Susan C. Brian, Neil M, Katya, S Perry, Kathy M, Matthew S. Ronald B. Paula & Peter O'S, Syrel C, Billy G M. Angus C, Eileen Kit Yung D, Keira, Mark B, Kelly & Craig N, Max W, Ava, David P, Anne C, Yvonne S, Andrew C, Lauren S, Fe T, Jamie S-W, Jill O'N, Adam S, Roxanne V-R, Maria Theresa V, Marie B, Colleen S, James F, Lu P, Adela M, Caroline C, Connie B, John H, Emily D, Sebastian C, Jess N, Lucia, Jenny F, Victoria R, Huda AW, George & Hilda P, David K, Sharon L, Alice C

DAILY READINGS			
Monday - Dedication of St John Lateran			
1st Reading	Ezekiel 47: 1- 2,8-9,12	Ps.	46
2nd Reading	I Cor. 3: 9-11,16-17		
Gospel	John 2:13-22		
Tuesday –St Leo the Great			
Reading	Titus 2: 1- 8,11-14	Ps..	37
Gospel	Luke 17: 7-10		
Wednesday St. Martin of Tours			
Reading	Titus 3: 1- 7	Ps.	23
Gospel	Luke 17:11-19		
Thursday –St. Josaphat			
Reading	Philemon 7-20	Ps.	146
Gospel	Luke 17:20-25		
Friday–			
Reading	II John 4- 9	Ps.	119A
Gospel	Luke 17:26-37		
Saturday			
Reading	III John 5- 8	Ps.	112
Gospel	Luke 18: 1- 8		
Sunday - THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME			
1st Reading	Prov. 31:10-13,19-20,30-31	Ps.	128
2nd Reading	I Thess. 5: 1- 6		
Gospel	Matthew 25:14-30		

SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION 2021 RECONCILIATION/ CONFIRMATION/HOLY COMMUNION
 Due to the previous Level Three Lockdown, the registration had to be put on hold however we are delighted to announce the new registration dates for the next programme. To register you will need to attend one of two sessions, either **Tuesday 24th November at 6.30pm** or **Sunday 29th November 12noon**, in the Foley Centre. Please note that the programme itself will not be starting until February 2021. **Children do not need to attend, these sessions are for ADULTS ONLY.** You will need to bring your child/ren's Baptism Certificates, if they were not baptised here at St Mary's and a fee TBA per child which will cover all three Sacraments plus photos of Confirmation/1st Holy Communion liturgies and their celebration supper after Confirmation. We do not take registrations online or via the phone as the registration sessions are also important information/teaching sessions. Further info. please call 480 7357 or email: info@northcotecatholic.org.nz

ONLINE SESSION (RETREAT DAY):
Who am I ? – Reflecting on our Identity in God
 with Eamon Butler. Saturday, 28 November, 10.30am-4pm. Fee: \$60. (Please note new Date!) For more information and registration: info@studyjoy.nz <https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/virtual-retreat-day-with-eamon-butler-who-am-i/>

FIT FOR MISSION



WEEKEND 07/08 NOVEMBER

MASS	ALTAR	PROJECTIONIST
5.30PM	???????????	
8.30AM	???????????	Lena K
10.30AM	?????????? R	
5.00PM	??????????????????	

PRO-LIFE FACTS
 Well-known author Joy Cowley recently looked at what concerned Christians can do when abortion is now so accessible. She suggests that humble pro-life initiatives can make a difference. In the Wairarapa, Mena Antonio set up a Trust named Leaving the Ladder Down to provide a mentoring programme for teen parents – and Joy Cowley is the patron. The programme provides practical support, encouragement, kindness and an emphasis on equitable communities. Joy believes that a similar programme can be “everywhere” in NZ. If you have a heart for mentoring a pregnant teenager, or would like to learn more about the Trust, Trudy Hullena can be contacted at: 06-377-3199 or email at: t.hullena@se
 For more pro-life information, visit [Voice for Life at voiceforlife.org.nz](http://voiceforlife.org.nz)