

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH**  
+++++ Perpetual adoration - in the chapel +++++

<b>MONDAY 27th St Monica</b>			
4.45pm	Exposition & prayer	<b>5.15pm Mass</b>	<b>St Joseph's Parish Centre</b>
<b>TUESDAY 28th St Augustine</b>			
8.30am	Exposition & prayer	<b>9.15am Mass</b>	<b>St Gregory's Church</b>
6.30pm	PPRE		St Gregory's Parish Centre
<b>WEDNESDAY 29th The Passion of St John the Baptist</b>			
8.30am	Exposition	<b>9.15am Mass</b>	<b>St Joseph's Parish Centre</b>
10.00am	Prayer and Reflection Group		St Joseph's Parish Centre
<b>THURSDAY 30th</b>			
11.30am	Rosary	<b>Noon Mass</b>	<b>St Gregory's Church</b>
<b>FRIDAY 31st</b>			
8.30am	Exposition & rosary	<b>9.15am Mass</b>	<b>St Joseph's Parish Centre</b>
<b>SATURDAY 1st September</b>			
8.30am	Exposition	<b>9.15am Mass</b>	<b>St Joseph's Parish Centre</b>
9.45am	Sacrament of Reconciliation		St Joseph's Presbytery
4.00pm	Legion of Mary		St Joseph's Parish Centre
5.15pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation		St Gregory's Church
5.30pm	Rosary	<b>6.00pm Mass</b>	<b>St Gregory's Church</b>
<b>SUNDAY 2nd 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>			
<b>8.30am</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>10.00am Mass</b>	<b>5.00pm Mass</b>
6.00pm	Youth Groups		<b>St Gregory's Church</b>
			St Gregory's Parish Centre

**PRAYER HELPLINE INTENTIONS**

- > In thanks and praise for God's continuous love and on-going blessings
- > For the safe delivery of a baby
- > For a new home to be found
- > For the victims of the monsoon devastation in Southern India
- > For energy and motivation - to get things done

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**“THE WORDS I HAVE SPOKEN TO YOU  
ARE SPIRIT AND THEY ARE LIFE.”**

This Sunday, we conclude five weeks of readings and teaching from St John's gospel on the meaning of the Eucharist.

Jesus *is* the Bread of Life. For some of the disciples, this teaching proves too much and they stop following him. The question that Jesus puts to the twelve is also put to us today: 'What about *you*, do *you* want to go away too?'

A similar question was addressed to the tribes of Israel gathered at Shechem. Joshua asks the elders and leaders of the tribes which god they want to follow. They recognise that it is the Lord, the God of Israel, who was with them throughout their slavery in Egypt and throughout the hardship of their exile in the desert. The people of Israel reject the gods of their ancestors and of the other nations and become a single people committed to the one true God.

The teaching from the Letter to the Ephesians (Second Reading) encourages us to see that Christian marriage is modelled on the love that Christ has for the Church. Christ feeds his Church out of love, because the Church is his body and we are its living parts.

As we come to prayer this week, may we have the grace to recognise that same love active in our lives, so that when we are asked by God, 'What about you ...?' we can respond with a willing and loving heart.

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and shared with the parish community on facebook/stjopap*

### FATHER'S DAY - NEXT SUNDAY

This is early notice - next week there is an opportunity before or after Mass to come forward and light a candle in memory of your father. We will also acknowledge and pray for all fathers next weekend.

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Raffle tickets on sale (in the foyer) to raise money for the missions.

### PARISH RETREAT WITH FR DOMINIQUE FAURE AND CDC

The Catholic Discipleship College Mission Team will be running a parish retreat next weekend in St Gregory's Parish Centre. Fr Dominique is from the religious community of 'Verbum Spei'. It starts on Friday 7.00pm – 8.30pm. Saturday 10.15am (bring a plate for shared lunch). Sunday 2.00pm – 3.30pm.

### 33 DAYS TO MERCIFUL LOVE RETREAT - Starts today (Sunday)

Our retreat starts today at 1.30pm at St Joseph's Parish Centre. For details contact Lauren on 027 424 6045 or [laurenbutler76@gmail.com](mailto:laurenbutler76@gmail.com)

### DIVINE RENOVATION SEMINAR - 14th September

A one day seminar with Fr James on Friday 14th September at City Church and St Mary's Pro-Cathedral. Fr James is author of the book Divine Renovation and has had wonderful success in renewing and growing his parish. Costs \$50.00 for four talks, morning and afternoon tea, lunch and Mass. For details contact Matt on [moconnell@chch.catholic.org.nz](mailto:moconnell@chch.catholic.org.nz) or 366 9869.

### JOHN PAUL II CENTRE FOR LIFE – RACE NIGHT

Will be held on Friday night 2nd November. Tickets will cost \$55-00 per person and will be available in October. Hamper tickets will be on sale the weekend of 27/28 October. For further information contact Phil Gourdie by email [pgourdie@chch.catholic.org.nz](mailto:pgourdie@chch.catholic.org.nz)

### MORE COUNTERS NEEDED

If you are able to help with counting the collection, on a rostered basis, please ring Mark Noonan on 027 222 3315 for details. It would be appreciated.

### TABLE TENNIS

Each Sunday from 2.00pm - 4.00pm in the St Joseph's School Hall.



### SUPPORT NEEDED

St Vincent de Paul end of winter 'weet-bix drive'. Let's fill the basket in the foyer this month.

### TODAY'S READINGS

Joshua 24:1-2 Eph 5:21-32 Jn 6:60-69

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Deut 4:1-2 James 1:17-18 Mk 7:1-8

### FR CHRIS SKINNER CONCERT

This Saturday (1st) at 2.00pm at Christ the King Parish Centre. Proceeds to Faith & Light - tickets cost \$20.00 available from Jos or Mary on 354 0446, 021 339 039 or email [S.C.P.FaithandLight@gmail.com](mailto:S.C.P.FaithandLight@gmail.com) Door sales available. Raffles and CDs will also be on sale.

### DAY OF REFLECTION

At Christ the King Parish Centre on 15th September starting after 9.00am Mass. Mary Betz speaks on "Laudato Si" and Judy Garvey on the role of the laity. Donation to cover lunch and Mary's travel. RSVP Kay [kaypricenz@gmail.com](mailto:kaypricenz@gmail.com)

### ADULT EDUCATION - Jesus, then and now.

Fr Frank Kelly will present three, cost free, talks at 7.00pm on Sundays 9th, 16th & 23rd September at St Joseph's Parish Centre in Papanui. First session is on Jesus in the gospels. For details ring 378 3647.

### FIRST FRIDAY MASS - Renewal

On the first Friday of each month celebrate Mass at 7.30pm, Christ the King Church, followed by supper. The next Mass is 7th September. For details about the Catholic Charismatic Renewal visit [www.ccrnz.org](http://www.ccrnz.org)

### CARMEL YOUTH MASS

On Sunday 9th September at 6.30pm Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass with the Catholic Youth Team and the Carmelite Sisters at the monastery. Afterwards there is the opportunity to meet the sisters with refreshments provided. If you wish to donate food for supper email [dcastillo@chch.catholic.org.nz](mailto:dcastillo@chch.catholic.org.nz)

### KERALA DISASTER

We have seen on television the monsoon devastation in Kerala in Southern India. Our diocese has a special connection to Kerala as it is the home diocese of several of our priests. CARITAS is sending support to the region and would be appreciate any financial support. Visit their website at [caritas.org.nz](http://caritas.org.nz) to donate.

### BARBARA SAYS THANK YOU

Thanks to all for the loving care, prayers, cards and goodies she has received. She feels humbled and privileged being treated so well, after her accident.



### PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .

- § all those who have died recently -
- § John Upchurch, Mary Drake and all those whose anniversaries or birthdays occur at this time.

*Eternal rest, grant to them, O Lord.*