

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

MONDAY 6th <i>The Transfiguration of the Lord</i>			
4.45pm	Exposition & prayer	5.15pm Mass	St Joseph's Parish Centre
TUESDAY 7th <i>St Sixtus II & Companions, St Cajetan</i>			
8.30am	Exposition & prayer	9.15am Mass	St Gregory's Church
6.30pm	PPRE		St Gregory's Parish Centre
WEDNESDAY 8th <i>St Mary of the Cross</i>			
8.30am	Exposition	9.15am Mass	St Joseph's Parish Centre
10.00am	Prayer and Reflection Group		St Joseph's Parish Centre
THURSDAY 9th <i>St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross</i>			
11.30am	Rosary	Noon Mass	St Gregory's Church
FRIDAY 10th <i>St Lawrence</i>			
8.30am	Exposition & rosary	9.15am Mass	St Joseph's Parish Centre
SATURDAY 11th <i>St Clare</i>			
8.30am	Exposition	9.15am Mass	St Joseph's Parish Centre
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	6.00pm Mass	St Gregory's Church
SUNDAY 12th <i>19th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>			
8.30am	Mass	10.00am Mass	5.00pm Mass
			St Gregory's Church

PRAYER HELPLINE INTENTIONS

- > In thanks and praise for God's continuous love and on-going blessings
- > For the sick and lonely in the parish
- > For those suffering from addictions
- > For those suffering from grief of any kind

Parish Priest	Fr John Adams	352 9275
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Pastoral Associates	Lauren Butler	027 424 6045
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Parish Secretary	Wilma Vertogen	352 9275
Family Group Coordinators	John & Primrose Ralston	352 0433
School Principal	Aaron Richards	352-8779



THE BREAD THAT ENDURES

In our gospel this weekend we hear the words; "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves..." These words of Jesus tell us that the people are concerned for their bellies. Jesus is concerned for their lives. The people want to feed themselves with bread. Jesus wants to feed them with God. "Do not work for the food that perishes," he tells them, "but for the food that endures for eternal life."

The food that endures is Jesus himself. He is the bread that is broken and distributed for the life of the world. He is the bread that is broken and yet never divided. He is the bread that is eaten and yet never exhausted. He is the bread that consecrates those who believe in and consume him.

When we believe in Jesus, eating, ingesting, and taking him into our lives, we live differently. We see ourselves, and one another, as persons created in the image and likeness of God rather than as obstacles or issues to be overcome. We trust the silence of prayer rather than the words of argument. We choose love and forgiveness rather than anger and retribution.

Let's make our prayer that of those first disciples "...give us always this bread to eat..."

Fr John Adams
PARISH PRIEST

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*Photos may be taken during special events or activities
and shared with the parish community on facebook/stjopap*

DIVINE MERCY

Chaplet and devotions, Wednesday 8th August at 7.00pm downstairs in St Joseph's Parish Centre. Enquiries ring Gerry Smith 352 8655.

CONFIRMATION 2018

St Joseph's confirmation programme begins on Wednesday evening 17th October with a Mass for the candidates and their parents at St Gregory's Church. There will be a presentation of the candidates at 5.00pm Mass on Sunday 28th October followed by a shared dinner with the sponsors and candidates.

A Retreat Day is planned on Sunday 4th November starting at 10.00am Mass at St Gregory's then leaving for Spencer Park.

Confirmation Mass is Saturday 24th November at 6.00pm.

Presentation of certificates will be on Sunday 2nd December at 5.00pm Mass, followed by a pizza dinner.

This year's programme is crammed full of exciting and interactive events for our Year 8 and above students. There will be more information to follow later in the term.

Should you have any questions – please feel free to contact Irene Maguire on 027 6229415 or irenemaguire100@live.com

CREAM (Conflict Resolution, Emotional Awareness & Anger Management)

A new course from Catholic Social Services for those who wish to live happily, resolving day to day conflicts that arise, without losing control of their emotions and getting angry. Starting Tuesday 21st August 9.30am - noon for six weeks.

Phone 379 0012 css@chch.catholic.org.nz

SELF-ESTEEM COURSE

A course designed to build self-esteem for adults. Starts Thursday 23 August 9.30am - noon for six weeks. Phone 379 0012 css@chch.catholic.org.nz

PARENTING SPIRITED YOUNG PEOPLE COURSE

Catholic Social Services is taking an alternative approach to looking at parenting by looking first at ourselves as parents. Starting Wednesday 15th August 9.30am -noon for 6 weeks. Phone 379 0012 or email css@chch.catholic.org.nz

EMOTIONALLY AND SPIRITUALLY FREE COURSE

Each Tuesday evening at 7.30pm from 31st July to 25th September at the John Paul II Centre. Cost \$50.00 per person or \$75.00 per married couple. Enquiries to emotionallyfreenz@gmail.com or ring Liz on 022 0306628.

TABLE TENNIS

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

TODAY'S READINGS

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15 Eph 4:17 Jn 6:24-35

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

1 Kings 19:4-8 Eph 4:30 Jn 6:41-51

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

FATHER CHRIS SKINNER CONCERT

Fr Chris Skinner is holding a fundraising concert for Cornerstone Faith and Light on Saturday 1st September at Christ the King Church. Tickets cost \$20.00, from Jos on 021 339 039 or Mary on 021 323 859. Raffles and CDs will 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

EUTHANASIA DEBATE

Tomorrow (Monday) at 7.00pm at Rolleston College Theatre (off Broadlands Drive). David Seymour MP will be speaking in support of the End of Life Choice Bill, with Hon Maggie Barry MP presenting the case against it. It is vital to have many supporters of life in the audience as Amy Adams is undecided on the issue. A question time will follow the main speeches.

IGNATIAN RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE

Saturdays 11th & 25th August, 10.00am – 3.00pm, facilitated by Kevin Gallagher and Sr Mary Catherwood at Te Manawa Atawhai Catherine McAuley Centre, Villa Maria College. Spiritual direction offered in the intervening weeks. Bring own lunch; tea/coffee provided. Suggested contribution \$70.00 or donation according to means. For information / bookings roho@xtra.co.nz or 379 1298.

MASS ON SATURDAY 11TH AUGUST

Mass for the Greater Company of Mary members at the Mary Potter Community Centre, 442 Durham Street North at 10.30am, followed by refreshments.

HELPER REQUIRED

For the Children's Atrium - hands on Catholic Formation for 3—5 year olds. Duties include providing a second pair of eyes, assisting children with simple tasks and accompanying children to the bathroom 9.15am - 11:15am Fridays during term time, starting 10th August at St Joseph's School. Contact Katherine 021 107 9290.

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .



§ all those who have died recently - Max Fitzgibbon, Dianne O'Rourke

§ Alex Taylor and all those whose anniversaries or