

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH
WEEKLY NOTICES
16 December 2018

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST SCHOLARSHIP

Bishop Paul Martin invites applications from interested individuals who would like to undertake theological studies through Good Shepherd College [Auckland] or the programme at the Catholic Discipleship College [Auckland]. These scholarships provide some financial support for people looking to undertake formation in 2019. Successful applicants will be regular participants in parish life. For more information and an application please contact Mike Stopforth email mstopforth@chch.catholic.org.nz or phone 03-366 9869

POSITIONS AVAILABLE – Formation Programmes and Young Adults Ministry Coordinator+ Female Mission Team Supervisor

The Catholic Youth Team (CYT) for the Diocese of Christchurch invites applications for the positions of CYT Formation and Young Adult Coordinator (27.5 hours pw) + Female Mission Team Supervisor (10 hours pw). Suitable applicants may wish to apply for both roles as a full time position. Please email us at cyt@chch.catholic.org.nz or go to cyt.org.nz for more details about the roles and required skills and experience. Applications close **9th January 2018**.

CATHOLIC SHOP: 2019/Year C resources in stock now! Open Mon-Fri 9.30am-4.30pm, Sat 10am-1pm. (Note: we are **closed** from 25 Dec 2018-6 Jan 2019 inclusive.) Visit us at 373 Manchester Street, Christchurch, next to St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, ph 03 366-2853, e-mail catholicshop@chch.catholic.org.nz, or 'like' us on Facebook.

FR GRAEME BLACKBURN'S FIRST YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Bishop Paul and the family invite parishioners and friends to attend a Memorial Mass for the late Fr Graeme Blackburn on his first anniversary, Tuesday 15th January 2019, 11am at Our Lady of Victories Church. All very welcome

SUBS REQUIRED OVER CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR FOR THE ADORATION

CHAPEL: Over the past five years the Diocesan Perpetual Adoration Chapel has remained open throughout the Christmas period. We have a large number of people going away and require extra people to help out. If you are going to be at home this Christmas and would be happy to cover an hour or two please contact Matt on 366-9869 or chchadoration@gmail.com

CATHOLIC HEALTH CARE MASS: Sunday 24th February, 5.30pm, St Mary's Pro-Cathedral. Bishop Paul warmly welcomes all those who work in health care in Canterbury. This is an opportunity for all those involved in health care; doctors, nurses, rest home staff, pharmacists, administrators etc. Afterwards please stay for a glass of wine/beer/juice in the narthex at St Mary's to enjoy the company of others who work in this field. For more information contact: Paula Avery, averypaula@gmail.com or Mike Stopforth, Bishop's Pastoral Office, mstopforth@chch.catholic.org.nz or 027 5398 542

ADVENT 2018 ONLINE AT FOOD FOR FAITH. Each morning of Advent Fr. John O'Connor is offering a brief reflection emailed to those who subscribe at www.foodforfaith.org.nz

PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS. Each Wednesday of Advent Fr. John O'Connor will offer a 15 minute reflection at 5.50pm at St. Mary's pro-Cathedral. The reflection will be preceded and followed by 20 minutes of silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Come and go during the hour as you are able.

5.30 - 5.50 silent prayer

5.50 - 6.10 reflection

6.10 - 6.30 silent prayer

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Mass times for parishes across the Diocese are now online at www.chchcatholic.nz

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SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF THE MISSIONS (RNDM) JUBILARIANS... Sr Anne-Marie Shine (50th), Sr Mary Frawley and Sr Connie Hurley (75th) and Sr Lorraine Lawson (50th) cordially invite parishioners/friends who would like to attend their Jubilee celebration at Sacred Heart Church, Spencer St, Addington at 1pm **Saturday 5 January 2019**. The Eucharistic celebration will be followed by afternoon tea in the Hall. **RSVP ASAP:** Sr Kathleen Prendergast prendyk@hotmail.com All very welcome.

THINKING DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD? Speak to any priest or contact Vocations Director Fr. John O'Connor vocations.chch@gmail.com

PROMOTING VOCATIONS: The New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference has endorsed the promotion of vocations and asks that you regularly promote vocations with the following (with or without the logo as space is always at a premium).



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