

HOLY FAMILY PARISH TIMARU & ST PATRICK'S PARISH WAIMATE

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28th Sunday Ordinary Time

13 October 2019

From Fr Brian

Bishop Paul has left for Rome. Every 10 years the Bishops of each Conference, throughout the world, visit the Vatican and give an 'account of their stewardship' to the various Congregations and have a personal audience with the Pope and the expected photo to put on the wall. No doubt the resignation of Bishop Charles will be discussed. Bishop Paul is also taking a holiday in Spain en route to Rome. He will be away until the end of October.

I included in today's newsletter a copy of the Media Statement on Bishop Charles' resignation.

Media Statement from Cardinal John Dew on resignation of Bishop Charles

4 October 2019

Cardinal John Dew, the Metropolitan Archbishop of New Zealand, today announced that Bishop Charles Drennan has resigned as the Bishop of Palmerston North. Bishop Drennan tendered his resignation to Pope Francis following an investigation into a complaint of unacceptable behaviour of a sexual nature. The complaint was made by a young woman. Pope Francis has accepted the resignation. Upon receiving the complaint, the New Zealand Church's independent investigation body, the National Office of Professional Standards (NOPS), contracted an independent, licenced investigator to undertake an investigation under the oversight of Cardinal Dew. Bishop Drennan stood aside from his duties. Both Bishop Drennan and the young woman participated in the independent investigation. The young woman has been informed of his resignation and the Church is in ongoing contact with her. The Church is committed to giving continuing support to the young woman, her family and those around her. "The young woman has requested that details of the complaint remain private," said Cardinal Dew. "It can be confirmed that Pope Francis has accepted the resignation. In the eyes of the Catholic Church, Bishop Drennan's behaviour was completely unacceptable, and it fully supports the young woman for coming forward to NOPS," said Cardinal Dew. The clergy, staff and church leadership of the Diocese of Palmerston North have been told of the acceptance of Bishop Drennan's resignation and provided with guidance and resources to help them to support parishioners and other members of the Catholic community. The wider Church of New Zealand will also be advised and supported. "The Catholic Church has no tolerance for any inappropriate behaviour by any of its members. I encourage anyone who experiences such behaviour to bring it to the attention of the Church, police or any organisation with which they feel comfortable," said Cardinal Dew.

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ: E te whanau whakapono a te Karaiti

Pope Francis has set October 2019 aside an "Extraordinary Missionary Month" to help us all reflect on the missionary nature of the Christian life, and for each of us to consider anew what it means to be baptised and sent on mission. Reflecting on taking Christ's message of healing and hope to the people, we might not think immediately about healing the environment as a missionary activity. But everything is interconnected. Four years ago, Pope Francis wrote in his encyclical *Laudato Si': On Care For Our Common Home* about the necessity of hearing "both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor,"

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RONCALLI COLLEGE FAIR:

Roncalli College Fair next Sunday
20th October 10am-1pm
Fun for the whole family! There will be dozens of stalls and games and fun activities for everyone. Sit in the shade of the trees and enjoy delicious homemade goodies from the cafe while the kids ride the train or jump on the bouncy castle. Or maybe sit in the sunshine enjoying a snack from one of the many food and drink stalls, while being entertained by the talented Roncalli College students. The Roncalli College Fair has something for everyone! We look forward to seeing you there! Don't forget to **bring your own bags!**



The focus of the College Fundraising efforts is the new Roncalli Sports building project, a multi-use facility with covered turf and changing rooms.

DIARY:

Monday 14 October

EUCHRE in St Thomas' Lounge at 1.30pm.

ROSARY in St Thomas' Church at 4.00pm.

MEN'S GROUP meet in St Thomas' Lounge. 7.30pm

Tuesday 15 October

MAINLY MUSIC for pre school children welcome to enjoy a fun time from 9.30am in St Thomas' Lounge.

MARIAN MOVEMENT meet in St Thomas' Chapel at 2.00pm.

EUCHRE Sacred Heart Centre, Napier St, 1.30pm.

Raffle & afternoon tea. All players welcome old and new.

Wednesday 16 October

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE AGM held in St Thomas' Lounge, 2pm. Cuppa afterwards. (Notice below).

Thursday 17 October

LAMB OF GOD prayer meeting, 2a Norwood Street, 7.30pm. All welcome. (Notice below).

Friday 18 October

PRAYER GROUP meet in St Thomas' Lounge 10.00am. All welcome.

LATIN MASS will be held in St Thomas' Chapel at 6.00pm, reconciliation from 5.30pm.

Sunday 20 October

CONFIRMATION Candidates meet in St Thomas' Lounge from 6.30pm—8.00pm

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES:

Thank you to those who have returned shoeboxes full of gifts for the under privileged children in the Pacific and South East Asia. Boxes need to be returned to the office by Mission Sunday 20 October.

PRAYER MEETING

An opportunity for praise and worship, a time to seek prayer, fellowship, support and teaching, 'Fanning the Flame of the Holy Spirit', run by the 'Lamb of God' Community at 2a Norwood St, Timaru, on [Please note change of night] Thursday 17th October at 7.30 pm. All welcome. For information Mike & Judy, Ph 688 5381 or Alan & Margaret, Ph 614 7196.

Following the retirement of two bankers of the weekly parish collection money (after seven years of faithful service), we are seeking volunteers for this position. Once the counting team has counted the envelope collection money, two bankers come in on a Tuesday and complete the bank deposit forms. They take the lodgement documents and money down to Westpac in Stafford Street, where the Smart ATM is used. Training in use of the Smart ATM will be given, if needed. Enquiries to Trish 6860041.

The Annual **Trafalgar Day & Seafarers' Service** will be held at St Mary's Anglican Church next Sunday 20 October, beginning at 9.30am at the Memorial opposite the Church.

COLUMBAN CALDENDARS have arrived. They are available from the office at last years prices \$12.00 each.

MASS OFFERINGS: We pray for the sick of the parish and those for whom Mass is requested:

Recently Deceased: Don Simpson Colin Kelliher, Pauline Fitzgerald, Betty & Tony Cotterell (Christchurch).

Anniversaries: 8/10 Terry Carney, Isobel Waldie, 15/10 Kelvin Kennedy,

Other Intentions: Flanagan Family.

Intentions of: Bernadette Simpson & family, Leo Hand & family.

MASS TIME TABLE THIS WEEK:

Saturday	St Thomas'	6.00pm Vigil
Sunday	St Thomas'	9.00am
Sunday	St Thomas'	10.30am
Sunday	St Thomas'	5.00pm
Monday	St Thomas'	9.00am Communion Service
Tuesday	St Thomas'	9.00am
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Thursday	St Thomas'	9.00am Communion Service
Friday	St Thomas'	12.10pm
Saturday	St Thomas'	9.30am

Funeral Masses take the place of scheduled weekday Mass or Liturgical Service.

Exposition & Reconciliation Tuesday 9.30am, Friday 11.30am Saturday 10.00am.

St Patrick's Parish Waimate Mass times are:

Sunday 9.00am Thursday 9.30am

THE PRAYER OF THE ROSARY IS PERFECT



**Because of the promises it offers
The lessons it teaches
The graces it obtains
And the victories it achieves**

Benedict XV

Thanks to the amazing generosity of our parishioners. I have sold all the tickets allocated to me by the Roncalli PTA. All gone in one weekend....thank you Holy Family Parish.

Paula Atwill

This week's raffle will now be \$100.00 note.

'SEASONS FOR GROWTH' – from Lauren Butler.

The Course is now full. Beginning: Wednesday 16 October, 6.30pm, at St Thomas' Lounge.

Thank you for your interest. We may be able to offer another course next year sometime for others who may have been interested.

Some coming-up events:

- **Confirmation Mass:** Saturday Vigil Mass, on 16 November, Bishop Paul will officiate.
- **Parish Picnic:** at the Phar Lap Raceway, Sunday 24 November at midday.
- **Waimate Visitation:** Monday 2nd—Friday 6th December.
- **Parish Christmas Pot-Luck Tea:** Sunday 8 December, 6.00pm.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held this Wednesday 16 October at 2.00pm in St Thomas' Lounge Parishioners are welcome to attend to listen to our guest speaker, Julian Donaldson from Betts at 2.45pm for any questions you might wish to ask. Cuppa to follow.

There will be a **St Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage** to Sydney during March.—visiting her shrine at North Sydney and places associated with her mission in Sydney. We will stay at the Mary MacKillop Centre in North Sydney. We will leave on a Sunday afternoon, returning on Friday, flying with Emirates. However, if they wish, parishioners are welcome to stay longer.

29th Sunday Ordinary Time - 19 October 2019
Exodus 17:8-13, 2Timothy 3:14-4:2, Luke 18:1-8
World Mission Day