

Holy Family Parish Timaru



St Thomas the Apostle Church
12 Mountain View Road
Timaru
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Sacred Heart Basilica
7 Craigie Avenue
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Fourth week in Ordinary Timaru

31 January 2021

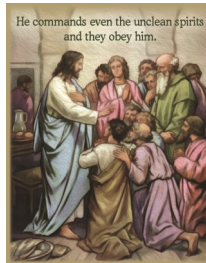
What can free us from being “anxious about the things of the world”? The authority of Jesus, who “commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him.” The people in the time of Moses begged for such a prophet. That promise is fulfilled definitively in Jesus Christ, whose authority astonishes the assembled crowd. “If today you hear his voice,” adhere “to the Lord without distraction.” “To him you shall listen,” because obeying the authority of Christ makes us more human and fills us with a burning desire for things truly great.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading (Deuteronomy 18:15-20).
Moses foretells the coming of a prophet who will speak God's word to the people.

Second Reading (1Corinthians 7:32-35).
Paul urges everyone, but especially those who are celibate, to give their undivided attention to the Lord.

Gospel (Mark 1:21-28).
The prophecy of Moses is fulfilled in Jesus.



We can hope for a truly renewed society only if people are renewed by the spirit of the Gospel. Wherever they may live or work, they will then live out their faith as they carry out their daily duties....

Lord, we realise that we have many faults.
But we also rejoice in the certainty
that when we fully live your Word
our imperfections are removed.
We are freed and renewed in every moment,
like a butterfly emerging from its cocoon.
Living your Word means to be Another,
to act the part of Another who lives within us.
It means finding our true freedom
by being liberated from ourselves, our faults,
and our ego....

If we would nourish ourselves more frequently on the eternal words of God—words of wisdom which have overcome the world—we would experience a bath of healing water. We would emerge happier and more fulfilled, because of the mark of immortality printed in our souls.... Jesus brings heaven to us on earth, and he speaks about what he has seen and heard.... His words are *eternal*. A life spent intelligently is the one which translates the Gospel message into daily life, and whose supreme ideal is to incarnate the words of heaven.

Servant of God Chiara Lubich

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New Parishioners to Holy Family Parish

A warm welcome is offered to you. Make yourself known to one of the priests, or fill out this slip and place it in the collection basket or post to: Holy Family Parish, 12 Mountain View Road, Timaru.

Name (Mr/Mrs)

Address:

Phone

Email Address

Require:

Planned Giving envelopes:
Weekly, Fortnightly, Monthly, Yes/No

Automatic Payments: Yes/No

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE PARISH

ASH WEDNESDAY—17 February

Please bring your old palms for the preparation of ashes for Ash Wednesday. A basket is located at the rear of the church for the palms.



Lenten Envelopes are available to be collected from the foyer at St Thomas' and the porch at Sacred Heart.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES are going to be printed this month. You still have time to change your Planned Giving to Automatic Payment if you wish. The account number is 03 1592 0602308 23. You may not be aware that parishioners who make a cash offering on Sunday are missing out on a substantial donation rebate. Please contact the office if you need help. Ph 6862010.



BAPTISM preparation evening for this year will recommence this Thursday 4 February at 7.00pm in **HFP Centre at Sacred Heart**. Please phone the office 6862010 for more information.

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME:

Begins Tuesday 2 March, 7.30pm St Thomas' Lounge. Enrolment forms have been sent by email to eligible families, plus copies available in Sacred Heart Porch and St Thomas' Foyer. Enrolment forms need to be into the parish office by Wednesday, 19 February 2021.



WEEKEND RESIDENTIAL SILENT RETREAT

Sisters of Mercy House, 7a Craigie Avenue, on Friday 19th March at 7.00pm until Sunday 21 March 2.00pm.

Spiritual accompaniment from Sr Mary Catherwood RSM and other spiritual directors.

Numbers are limited. Cost \$160.00.

For registration (essential) and further information contact roho@xtra.co.nz or (03) 37901298.

There will also be a six day silent retreat from 16-22 April in Timaru.

THANK YOU to all parishioners who gave up their time and delivered our Christmas newsletter.

If you haven't returned your sheet to the office, or put in a letter box at either church, Helen would be grateful to receive them to make corrections on our parish roll, so we can keep up to date.

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

Recently Deceased: Wendy Kimble, John Breeze, Peter O'Reilly (Wellington).

Anniversaries: 28/1 Terry Scott, 1/2 Bernadette Baird, Denise Thomson, 5/2 Bill Doyle,

Other Intentions: Decd members McBeth, Doyle, Thomson, Baird families.

Intention of: Liz Miller (80th Birthday)

MASS TIME TABLE

Saturday	6.00pm	St Thomas'
Sunday	10.30am	St Thomas'
Sunday	9.00am & 5.00pm	Sacred Heart
Tues & Thurs	9.00am	St Thomas'
Mon, Wed, Fri	9.00am	Sacred Heart
Saturday	9.30am	Sacred Heart

(please note the weekday Mass schedule has changed for the coming weeks)

A Funeral Mass will replace the scheduled Mass.

Reconciliation: Sat 10.00—10.30am in Basilica.

PARISH DIARY

Monday 1 February

EUCHRE: meet in St Thomas' Lounge at 1.30pm. New Members welcome.

ROSARY in St Thomas' Church 4.00pm.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL Sacred Heart Conference meet in Basilica Centre at 4.45pm.

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

Tuesday 2 February

EUCHRE held at 87 North Street at 1.30pm.

Afternoon tea and raffles. All welcome.

MARIAN MOVEMENT meet in St Thomas' Chapel 2.00pm.

Thursday 4 February

BAPTISM preparation evening 7.00pm in HFP Centre. If you are wanting your child baptised, please Office 6862010.

Friday 5 February

FIRST FRIDAY Eucharistic Adoration following 9.00am Mass until 12.00pm at Sacred Heart.

Everyone warmly invited to attend.

PRAYER GROUP meet in St Thomas' Lounge at 10.00am.

Sunday 7 February

CONCERT—New Baroque Generation in Sacred Heart Basilica at 2.00pm.

NEW BAROQUE GENERATION

Are presenting a concert in the Sacred Heart Basilica

Next Sunday 7 February 2.00pm.

They will present music by Vivaldi, Handel, Corelli, Charpentier, and emerging composer

Rakuto Kurano.

Admission at the door Adults \$45.00, Senior \$35.00 Student \$20.00 and child \$5.00.

"WITNESS FOR THE PROSECUTION"

is an Agatha Christie murder mystery (like "The Mousetrap") and is on stage Wednesday 10 March. (Please note not 11th as in last week's bulletin).

We have secured 100 seats to sell (which sell fast!) and these may be purchased from the office at \$30.00 each. This includes a glass of orange or wine and nibbles at the show.

Tickets will be available from Wednesday this week.

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time—7 February 2021
Job 7:1-4,6-7, 1Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23, Mark 1:29-39.