

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH TIMARU & ST PATRICK'S PARISH WAIMATE

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St Thomas' Church  
12 Mountain View Road  
Timaru

St Patrick's Parish  
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Waimate



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**30th Sunday Ordinary Time**

**27 October 2019**

**From Fr Huynh** via his parish in Vietnam.

First of all, we, the parish priest, and the people of Bong Lai area, (Catholics and non-Catholics), would like to send our good wishes to you. Through the intercessions of Mother Mary, may the good Lord continue to bless you and your families richly with His grace and peace.

Dear Benefactors, we have received a big water purifier machine from Father Anthony Huynh Van Tran, and we know that you have generously made donations to us, poverty-stricken people, in this rural area. For so long, we have been using unclean water, and now through your loving hands, we have clean water to drink and to use for our daily activities. Your beautiful and meaningful gifts have truly brought us joy and they will help to reduce our sadness and taking away the diseases in the region. We believe that the Lord will reward you for your generosity.

We would also like to take this opportunity to introduce to you a bit about ourselves. Our parish, Bong Lai, was established in April 2019. It is located in Hung Trach commune, Bo Trach district, Quang Binh province. In Bong Lai, there are about 2000 people and half of the number of people here are Catholics. Our main jobs are manually hunting for animals in the forests and clearing the forests to farm. However, there is not much land for people to farm these days and the animals are also scarce. This is an area, where there are monsoons and floods every year. As a young parish, which is located in an area with a lot of natural disasters, we understand that there are many challenges waiting for us in the future. Nevertheless, with our faith and trust in the Lord, we believe that God will have His own way to watch over and care for His children.

Once again, all of us, priest, parishioners and other residents of Bong Lai would like to give thanks to each one of you. May Mother Mary continue to watch over you and may her Son, Jesus Christ, continue to bless and accompany you each day in your lives. Please also keep us in your prayers. If you are ever visiting Vietnam, please come and visit us. We would love to have you here.

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Parishioners from Timaru and Waimate have so far donated \$22,700 towards the Water Purification Systems in Vietnam.

**From Fr Brian:**

**1 hour 'Safeguarding Workshop' for Volunteers and Catholic Groups on: Wednesday 13 November 10.30am or 7.30pm.**

Clodagh Ward, from the Diocesan Office, will be in Timaru to conduct this Workshop.

This workshop is for everyone who has a role in the Catholic Church. It is expected and appreciated that anyone visiting the sick/elderly, parish councillors attend. If you are interested in being a volunteer this invite is also open to you.

The Workshop introduces Safeguarding good practises, training and our role in creating a culture of Safeguarding in our parishes.

**A reminder:** that parishioners who take Communion to the House-bound, work with children or vulnerable people **MUST** complete the Police Vetting Form.

Fr Huynh, Pauline Berry, Ngairie Nicholls and myself are accompanying the **Confirmation Candidates** during their Preparation Camp at Lindisfarne this weekend. The *Diocesan Youth Team* are facilitating the Weekend's preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**Chairperson Parish Council:** Gary Shand,  
**Chairperson Finance Committee:**  
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## Spring Harmony Concert

Saturday 2 November, 3.00pm  
Trinity Church, College Road, Timaru.  
Height of Harmony Barbershop Chorus,  
Special Guests: Christchurch Barbershop quartet, The Nor'Westers, Jayden Walker and Grace Shaw. Admission \$15.00

## Midland Masonic Choir

Annual Charity Concert  
Savage Club Hall, Dee Street, Saturday  
9 November at 7.30pm. \$10.00 Admission

## FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St Thomas' Church, Friday 1 November  
10.30am—5.00pm. Community prayer beings at 4.10pm. Rosary, Divine Mercy and reflection. All welcome. Please note later start due to the 9.15am School Mass. 12.10 Mass will follow as usual.

**Tabernacle Key from St Thomas' Church is missing. Help, please check pockets.**

## DIARY:

Monday 28 October - Labour Day

**EUCHRE** in St Thomas' Lounge at 1.30pm.

**NO ROSARY** in St Thomas' Church

**NO MEN'S GROUP** meet in St Thomas' Lounge.

Tuesday 29 October

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

**EUCHRE** Sacred Heart Centre, Napier St, 1.30pm.

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

Friday 1 November

**FIRST FRIDAY & ALL SAINTS' DAY.** Mass 9.15am (St Joseph's School will attend) also 12.10pm.

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

Saturday 2 November

**ALL SOULS DAY** Mass 9.30am

Sunday 3 November

Our annual visit to the Cemetery will take place today at 2.00pm.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL Festival Meeting** held this year in Temuka, on Sunday 10 November commencing with Mass at 10.30am. All members and volunteers welcome.

## OCDS NOVEMBER CARMELITE RETREAT:

*"A Eucharistic Love Story with our Carmelite Saints"*

Father Michael-Therese, CSJ, will be leading our upcoming November Retreat at Rochester Hall, **Friday 15th to Sunday, 17 November— Show Weekend.** If you would like to join us, contact Megan Emery ph 383 0706 or Email: [benedictus@windowslive.com](mailto:benedictus@windowslive.com)

**Mass for Life.** You're invited to pray for babies, mums, dads and families at a Mass for Life on Friday 6 December, 7pm at St Mary of the Angels, 17 Boulcott Street, Wellington. Cardinal Dew will be the principal celebrant. Eucharistic Adoration will follow for one hour after Mass to pray in readiness for the National March for Life. For more information please visit [fli.org.nz/prolifeevents](http://fli.org.nz/prolifeevents) or phone Clare 021 231 7954.

**National March for Life.** You're invited to love them both by attending the third annual National March for Life in Wellington on Saturday 7 December. Join Kiwis from all over NZ in a family-friendly celebration of life which also peacefully protests the practice and legality of abortion. Gather at Civic Square from 12pm for family-friendly entertainment, sausage sizzle and stalls. March to Parliament Grounds begins at 2pm. Concludes at 4pm. Learn more about this important event at a critical moment in NZ's history: [marchforlife.nz](http://marchforlife.nz)

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES:

A wonderful response from those who have returned shoeboxes full of gifts for the under privileged children in the Pacific and South East Asia. Thank you all for your generosity and kindness.

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

**Recently Deceased:** Maureen Quinn, Kevin Kelly, Don Simpson, Colin Kelliher,

**Anniversaries:** 19/10 Joan Wood

31st Sunday Ordinary Time - 3 November 2019  
Wisdom 11:22-12:2, 2Thesalonians 1:11-2:2, Luke 19:1-10

## 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
Wednesday	St Thomas'	9.00am
Thursday	St Thomas'	9.00am
Friday	<b>St Thomas'</b>	<b>9.15am All Saints' Day</b>
Friday	<b>St Thomas'</b>	<b>12.10pm All Saints' Day</b>
Saturday	<b>St Thomas'</b>	<b>9.30am All Souls Day.</b>

**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 Friday 5.00pm

The \$100.00 note raffle last week was won by Peter O'Loughlin Congratulations Peter.

We are doing another \$100.00 raffle this week.

**FRIENDSHIP GROUP** meet for lunch 12 midday, Sunday 3 November at the Timaru Town and Country Club. Numbers essential to Nora Ph 6883729 by 31 October. Thank you.

**COLUMBAN CALDENDARS** on sale in foyer \$12.00.

The annual **Bereavement Mass** will be held at St Thomas' Church next Wednesday, 6 November, 7.00pm, There will be supper in the lounge after the Mass. This is an opportunity to remember parishioners who have died during the past year and the bereaved.

## Anointing Masses:

**Waimate: at Lister Home** will be next Thursday, 7 November 2.00pm.

**Timaru: at St Thomas' Church**, Tuesday, 12 November, 2.00pm.

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There will be afternoon Tea after the Anointing Mass.

**All Souls' Day** There will be a box for name of the Holy Souls' - no offering. This box will be placed beside the altar and left there during November.

## Cemetery Visit – next week.

Our annual visit to the Cemetery will take place on Sunday 3rd of November at 2 p.m.

## 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, beginning at midday.
- **St Andrew's Feast Day Mass:** Sunday 1 December, 11.00am at St Andrews.
- **Waimate Visitation:** Monday 2nd—Friday 6th December.
- **Parish Christmas Pot-Luck Tea:** Sunday 8 December, 6.00pm at St Thomas' Church Lounge (BYO Drinks).
- **Safeguarding Presentation:** Wednesday 13 November, 10.30am or 7.00pm, at St Thomas' Lounge. Parishioners involved in pastoral work to the children, youth, or elderly are requested to attend.