

Holy Family Parish Timaru



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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

18 APRIL 2021

The risen Christ stands in our midst and asks, "Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself." This is the Lord's commandment to us. "The way we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments." When we are in distress, we beg with the Psalmist, "Let the light of your countenance shine upon us!" God has answered that prayer, for "God raised the author of life from the dead." The Lord will hear and have pity. "Touch and see."

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading – Acts 3:13-15,17-19.
This reading is an early explanation of the Passion and an example of the early witness to the resurrection.



Second Reading – 1John 2:1-5.
We show that we know God by keeping his commandments. But when we fail, Christ intercedes for us with the Father.

Gospel – Luke 24:35.48.
Jesus appears to the apostles, and commissions them to preach the Gospel to all nations.

"I don't really belong here, I'm simply staying here."

Malcolm Muggeridge died in the autumn of 1990. He was a highly intelligent man who served at various times in his life as a foreign correspondent, newspaper editor, editor of *Punch* magazine, and well-known television personality in Great Britain. It was as an adult, rather late in his life, that he finally became a Christian. He wrote of his dilemma as a journalist-turned-believer in his works such *Jesus Rediscovered*, *Christ and the Media*, *Something Beautiful for God*, and his multivolume autobiography, *Chronicles of Wasted Time*. The "wasted time" he wrote about were those wasted years before he knew Christ as his Saviour. Muggeridge frequently spoke and wrote of "feeling like a stranger" in the world. In an interview a few years before his death, Muggeridge was asked if he would be willing to explain that feeling. His answer is worth repeating: "I'd very gladly do so, because I've thought about it often. In the war, when I was in North Africa, I heard some lieutenant colonel first use the phrase 'displaced person.' That phrase was very poignant to me, but it's also a very good definition of a person who's come to see that life is not about carnal things, or success, but is about eternity rather than time . . . I don't really belong here, I'm simply staying here."

Have you made that discovery yet? There is no joy in half-hearted Faith. Many of us have just enough religion to make us miserable. But Christ wants to make our lives a miracle. Those early disciples had trouble believing, first for fear, and then for joy, but when they did believe, it turned their lives and their world upside down. The point is that Muggeridge experienced a radical change in his life after he came to the realisation that Christ is real and that Christ is alive. But what he discovered much to his amazement was that his new life was so far superior to his old life that he in no way would ever turn back.

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

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE PARISH?

JUBILEE MASS - Next Saturday 24th April,

in St Thomas' Church at 11.00am.

All are invited to join:

- * Sr Duchesne Mulcahy as she celebrates her Diamond Jubilee of Profession, and
- Sr Sue Cosgrove, her Golden Jubilee.

From **7th May** all Friday Masses at Sacred Heart will be at **9.15am** to cater for Sacred Heart School attendance.

CHEESE ROLLS:

The Parish Council are making cheese rolls as a fundraiser on Saturday 8 May.

- Volunteers are required Friday 4-6pm for preparing the mixture at Mountain View High School.
- Saturday starting at 8.00am—roll making and help needed for the clean up later on Saturday.
- Donations of Evaporated milk, Onion Soup Mix, food safety gloves and plastic bags for bagging rolls would be gratefully appreciated.
- Order forms and volunteer forms are available in the foyer at St Thomas' Church and Our Lady's side at Sacred Heart. Please take a sheet and sell to friends and family, or if only for yourself use the single sheet. Please put money and orders in box or office. Thank you for your support!



HAPPY and safe school holidays to all students and teachers of our local schools.

NZ CATHOLIC - Headlines.

Plea for more prayers for vocations.
Theological college to move to new Auckland campus.
500 years of Catholic faith in Philippines celebrated in Auckland and Wellington.
Pope's condolences on death of Prince Philip.

CARITAS LENTEN DONATIONS:

Following their call out and your incredible support, Caritas have received a tremendous response with a total to date of close to \$700,000. For this they are truly grateful.

ANTIOCH CAMP - Save the date 9-11 July 2021.
Details to follow.

Over the next week the roof on the new parish centre and Roncalli sports centre will be re-roofed due to hail damage and should be completed by Friday.

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

Recently Deceased: Lesieli Latu Fifita (Mele Tui'tufu's mother), Graham Clewer, (Nelson), Bernadette Cameron (Milne, Langford).

Anniversaries: 8/4 Margaret Murphy, 12/4 Kathleen Quinn, 14/4 Robert Fraser, 16/4 Ellen MacDonald, 22/4 Frances Murphy.

Other Intentions: Alan Welford.
Intentions of: Special Intention.



MASS TIME TABLE

Saturday	6.00pm St Thomas'
Sunday	10.30am St Thomas'
Sunday	9.00am & 5.00pm Sacred Heart
Mon Wed, Fri	9.00am Sacred Heart
Tues & Thur	9.00am St Thomas'
Saturday	11.00am St Thomas' - Jubilee Mass

A Funeral Mass will replace the scheduled Mass.

Reconciliation: Sat 10.00—10.30am in Basilica.

PARISH DIARY

Sunday 18 April

FILIPINO Mass 7.00pm in St Thomas' Church.

Monday 19 April

EUCHRE meet 1.30pm in St Thomas' Lounge.

ROSARY meet 4.00pm in St Thomas' Church.

MEN'S GROUP meet 7.30 in St Thomas' Lounge, all men welcome.

Tuesday 20 April

EUCHRE held at 87 North Street at 1.30pm. Afternoon tea and raffles. All welcome.

MARIAN MOVEMENT meet in chapel at 2.00pm.

Wednesday 21 April

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE meet in Parish Centre at 2.00pm. Guest speaker. Cuppa to follow.

Thursday 22 April:

FINANCE AND PROPERTY meet in Parish Centre at 5.15pm.

PARISH COUNCIL meet in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm

Friday 23 April

PRAYER GROUP meet 10.00am in St Thomas' Lounge.

Saturday 24 April

JUBILEE MASS 11.00am in St Thomas' Church.

The Parish to Parish Bed and Breakfast Book

is available with nearly 200 homes in NZ and Australia for catholic hospitality, \$35 a night for one person or \$30 each for 2 or more persons this includes continental breakfast, I would welcome new hosts to join us. For information or to purchase a book (\$15 includes postage) contact Marie Anderson 2 Brent Place, Christchurch 8053, Ph. 359 5541, or email marie.ian@xtra.co.nz

ST BEDE'S COLLEGE: A '1970 year' reunion with a group of past 'Bedeans' who attended that year. You are invited to get in touch with Sandy Jefferies as they have missing contact details from their current data base.

Email: SJefferies@stbedes.school.nz

BON VOYAGE:

This weekend we say a sad farewell to Laura and Miki Omiri who have been part of the Holy Family Parish for the last 18 months. We pray for their safety as they journey back to the U.S.A. and wish them much joy as they reunite with their family.

Fourth Sunday of Easter — 25 April 2021
Acts 4:8-12, 1John 3:1-2, John 10:11-18

National Day of Remembrance—ANZAC day.
Day of Prayer for Vocations—Seminary Collection.