

HOLY FAMILY PARISH TIMARU & ST PATRICK'S PARISH WAIMATE

Sacred Heart Basilica
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Timaru



St Thomas' Church
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Timaru

St Patrick's Parish
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Waimate



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3rd Sunday Ordinary Time

26 January 2020

THIS WEEKEND WE WELCOME FR CHRIS FRIEL TO OUR HOLY FAMILY PARISH AND LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING FR DO NGUYEN WHO WILL BE JOINING US IN TWO WEEK'S TIME AFTER HIS HOLIDAY IN VIETNAM.

Final Note From Frs Brian & Huynh:

Thank you to parishioners who gathered, or sent apologies, for a fantastic 'Farewell' to Huynh and myself last Sunday; it was truly a special night.

The entertainment showed the tremendous talent within the parish and the 200+ parishioners gave a great witness to the spirit within the *Holy Family Parish*.

The 'Earthquake Strengthening of the Basilica' and the construction of the *Holy Family Parish Centre* have been a focus of many for the past couple of years. However, the Pastoral Life of the Parish has also been uplifting and a great proclamation of our Catholic Faith. The Sacramental Preparation Programmes, the *Journey of Faith Programme* and *Catholic Returning Home Group* have been a dynamic aspect of the Life of the Parish.

The ministry of taking Communion to the Housebound is an important aspect of Parish Life. Also the volunteers who have assisted with hospitality at Funerals are a dedicated group of parishioners who contribute behind the scenes.

The musicians, and Arthur, have made a valuable contribution to the Liturgies, Huynh and I are both appreciative of their generosity. I have been impressed with the contribution of so many parishioners, in both Timaru and Waimate, and the work accomplished by the Pastoral Parish Council and the Finance, Property and Liturgy Committees and the Office Staff. You have all made a valuable contribution to the life of the Parishes.

This weekend Frs. Chris and Do take over as the priests of Timaru and Waimate. Do is currently on holiday in Vietnam, he returns in a couple of weeks. Bishop Paul is also on holiday in Vietnam—visiting families of the Vietnamese priests and seminarians.

This weekend, Fr Michael Welsh will be the celebrant at the morning Masses in Timaru; over the following couple of weekends Fr Anton McLean will assist with weekend Masses.

One of the last tasks on the Finance Committee was to transfer \$86,000 to the 'Earthquake Appeal'. This money came from the \$2s at the weekly Raffles, and the contribution from such activities as: the Irish Night, the Cheese Rolls, Old Coins, Stamp Albums, Indian Cooking Evening, *Sacred Heart School* Music Evening, Garage Sale, Open Day of the Basilica, Movie Nights, the Promotion from *Gleniti Challenge Petrol Station*, and general donations of Parishioners. In other words, every donation, every dollar, is worthwhile.

Huynh wishes to express his thanks for the generous support from Parishioners for the recent 'Clean Water Project' in Vietnam; over \$25,000 has been raised from Timaru/Waimate parishioners, Roncalli College and the three Parish Schools. This is a marvellous effort.

Chairperson Parish Council: Gary Shand,
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New Parishioners Holy Family Parish

Timaru and St Patrick's Parish Waimate:

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 or St Patrick's parish, PO Box 24, Waimate.

Name (Mr/Mrs)

Address:

Phone

Email Address

Require:

Planned Giving envelopes:

Weekly, Monthly, Yearly Yes/No

Automatic Payments: Yes/No

DIARY:

Sunday 26 January

Welcome back to Fr Chris Friel.

Monday 27 January

EUCHRE in St Thomas Lounge recommences 3 Feb.

ROSARY recommences 3 February.

MENS GROUP meet in St Thomas' Lounge 7.30pm. All men welcome.

Tuesday 28 January

EUCHRE will be held at 87 North Street, 1.30pm
Afternoon tea and raffles. All players welcome.

Thursday 30 January

PARISH COUNCIL meet in Presbytery at 7.30pm.

Friday 31 January

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

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME



Begins Tuesday 25 February, 7.30pm, St Thomas' Lounge. Enrolment Forms have been sent by email to eligible families, plus copies available at school office and St Thomas' Church porch. Enrolment Forms need to be into the parish office by Wednesday 19 February 2020.

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ST THOMAS' CHURCH

Friday 7th February 2020 – 9.00am to 5.00pm
Community prayer at 4.10pm Rosary, Divine Mercy, Reflection. Everyone welcome.



NZ Catholic is out now. Some headlines are: Pope appoints Auxiliary Bishop for Auckland. New Year Mass on Gisborne beach. New Our Lady shrine for Canterbury.

Two jubilees for Cardinal Williams.

If you haven't bought your **COLUMBAN CALENDAR** you may miss out. Only \$12.00 on sale in foyer.

A reminder to parishioners who are going into hospital please contact the parish office or one of the priests if they would like a visit while in hospital.

CATHOLIC SHOP: For the best range of Catholic gifts and resources in the South Island, visit them at 373 Manchester Street, Christchurch, next to St Mary's Pro-Cathedral. Ph 03 366-2853, e-mail catholic-shop@chch.catholic.org.nz, or 'like' us on Facebook. Open Mon-Fri 9.30am-4.30pm, Sat 10 -1.00pm.

Seán Brosnahan, the curator at – Otago Settlers' Museum, is the author of *Thinking about Heaven: a history of Sacred Heart Parish*, is giving a talk at the museum *Friday, 31 at 7.30pm.* Attendance by registration only.

Spaces are limited, so please email or call the Museum at 6877212 to secure yourself a spot.

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

Recently Deceased: John Farrell, Fr Kevin Manning SM died on 30 December; he was for several years' principal at St Pats.

Anniversaries: 4/1 Joe Byrnes, 15/1 Maureen Dryden,

Other Intentions: Doreen Byrnes

Intentions of: Byrnes 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
Wednesday	St Thomas'	9.00am
Thursday	St Thomas'	9.00am
Friday	St Thomas'	9.00am
Saturday	St Thomas'	9.30am

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

Exposition & Reconciliation: Tuesday 9.30am, Friday 11.45am, Saturday 10.00am.

St Patrick's Parish Waimate Mass times are:

Sunday 9.00am Thursday 9.30am. (Fr Chris will be on his own so may have a communion service)

Word of God Sunday, 26 January 2020

Pope Francis asks us to devote the third Sunday of Ordinary Time to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God. In his Apostolic Letter of 30 September 2019, Pope Francis outlines how salvation, faith, unity and mercy all depend on knowing Christ and Sacred Scriptures.

"God's Word" he writes "has the power to open our eyes and to enable us to renounce a stifling and barren individualism and instead to embark on a new path of sharing and solidarity". As well as the sacred text as a focus of our attention at Mass, we are invited to hold the Word in our hands every day so that it becomes part of our daily prayer and lived experience. This message is universal and intergenerational—to make the Word of God a "lamp with which we look to the future: its light allowing us to read the signs of the times."

IRISH POEM

If the mountain seems too big today,
Then climb a hill instead.
If the morning bring you sadness,
It's Okay to stay in bed.
If the day ahead weight heavy,
And your plans feel like a curse,
There's no shame in re-arranging,
Don't make yourself feel worse.
If a shower stings like needles
And a bath feels like you'll drown,
If you haven't washed your hair for days,
Don't throw away your crown!
A day is not a lifetime,
A rest is not defeat.
Don't think of it as failure,
Just a quiet, kind retreat.
It's Okay to take a moment
From an anxious, fractured mind.
The world will not stop turning
While you get realigned.
The mountain will still be there
When you want to try again,
So climb it in your own time
and love yourself 'til then.

Presentation of the Lord - 2 February 2020
Malachi 3:1-4, Hebrews 2:14-18, Luke 2:22-40