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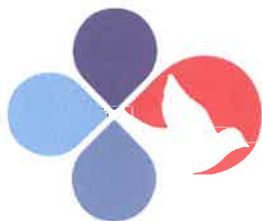
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17th March 2019 Second Sunday of Lent St Patrick's Day

Diocesan Appointment

During the past week I have attended two meetings in the Diocese. Bishop Charles asked me to be a member of his Council of Priests and also a member of the College of Consultors. I was happy to accept both appointments and be part of these advisory groups to the Bishop. As you are well aware all dioceses in New Zealand face challenging situations especially with an aging clergy.

I have also been asked to be the Vicar Forane for the priests in the Hawkes Bay area. This involves supporting the priests and being available to them. All three roles will occasionally take me away for short periods from the Parish for meetings etc. However, my main priority and commitment is as the Parish Priest of the Catholic Parish of Napier.

Young Church

On Thursday I attended a seminar in Wanganui led by the Diocesan Young Catholic team. Also present from the Parish were Victoria Vo from Sacred Heart College and Paola Minehan, the chaplain from EIT. It was a very stimulating day and we were encouraged to find ways to incorporate and to integrate our Youth into our Church communities. One of the most important ways to achieve this is through accompaniment. All of us have the skills to accompany others on our faith journey. It can be as simple as making our young people and visitors welcome in our Church communities.

St Patrick's Day

Today we celebrate St Patrick's Day and a sincere thanks to all who have prepared the activities after Mass at St Patrick's Church. It has been a long tradition to celebrate the Feast Day of the Patron saint of Ireland and at Mass this morning I will be remembering Monsignor Tim Hannigan who served the Parish for so many years. He never lost that lovely Irish brogue and he was a true son of his native Ireland.

Ecumenical Service

Thank you also to those who prepared and attended the ecumenical service at St Patrick's last week. I am delighted with how we are responding to praying with our Christian brothers and sisters during this time of Lent. This week the liturgy will be at the Trinity Methodist Church at 7pm

No 5.30pm Mass

There will be no 5.30pm Mass at St Mary's on Tuesday. Reignier School will be celebrating their Feast Day with Mass at 9.15am and a Requiem Mass will be celebrated for Teresa Foley at 11am.

Father Barry Scannell s.m.
Parish Priest

ST PATRICK'S

4 Munroe St,
Napier

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS | 5.30pm

SUNDAY MASS | 10am

MONDAY | 12.05pm Service of the Word
with Holy Communion

TUESDAY-FRIDAY | 12.05pm Mass

FRIDAY | 11.30am Reconciliation

ST MARY'S

58 Osier Rd,
Greenmeadows

SUNDAY MASSES | 9am & 5pm

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY | 9.15am Service
of the Word with Holy Communion

TUESDAY | 5.30pm Mass

THURSDAY TO SATURDAY | 9.15am Mass

SATURDAY | Reconciliation after Mass

ST THOMAS MORE

92 Wycliffe St,
Onekawa

SUNDAY MASS | 8am

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY | 9.15am
Service of the Word with Holy Communion

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY | 9.15am Mass

WEDNESDAY | Reconciliation after Mass

**Napier Inner City Churches Covenant
Lent Services
Wednesday Evenings 7.00pm**

20th March	Trinity Methodist Church
27th March	St Thomas More Church
3rd April	St Andrews Church Westshore
10th April	St Paul's Presbyterian Church

**Stations of the Cross
Fridays during Lent**

5.15pm	St Patrick's
7.00pm	St Mary's
7.00pm	St Thomas More

Rite II Reconciliation

Napier

Thursday 28th March 7pm

St Thomas More

Hastings

Thursday 11th April 7pm

Sacred Heart Church

RCIA

This Sunday our RCIA members will be attending Mass celebrating the Rite of Election at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit in Palmerston North.

Please pray for Michael & Candice Burger, Nico & Mariska Putter and Myles Rennie as they take this important step on their journey to Easter and Initiation into the Catholic Church.

CHRISTIAN LOVELINK - Well the new year has started with a roar.

Demand for household goods has been full on since we started back. So far this year we have delivered household goods to 72 families and have received 224 donations.

We have been blessed with all the donations, which has meant that we can meet most of the requests for assistance. This has all been achieved by a small group of dedicated volunteers, who have already contributed over 1000 hours this year. Unfortunately we have lost 2 of our volunteers who assist on the truck doing deliveries.

URGENT NEED: We urgently need a volunteer to assist on the truck for one morning a week. They need to be fit enough to lift furniture.

So if you or someone you know could help, please be encouraged to help us to assist others and give us a call. Blessings - *Christian Lovelink Team*

INTER FAITH - "KEEPING HOPE ALIVE"
Wednesday 27 March 7.45 pm, St Thomas More centre

Brother Peter Bray, FSC. Brother Peter is a NZer who is Vice Chancellor of Bethlehem University.

The first university established in Palestine and the only Christian / Catholic university in the Holy Land.

Name Correction

Margaret von Hartitzsch

Caritas Lenten Appeal
"Living our Lives with Love"

Lenten Giving Packs are available in each church. You can either use the weekly donation envelopes or use a single donation envelope. You may either return your donation envelopes during the parish offertory collection, or send them to Caritas directly. A freepost envelope is available for this option. NZ Post specifies that cash must not be sent through the post.

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Sacred Heart College

We look forward to celebrating St Patrick's Day on Sunday, a saint who has a special place in the lives of many of our students and wider school community - we plan to have 'green' based games and activities on the green at school on Monday to celebrate also. Several of our Y13's will attend the Launching Leaders Conference in Wellington on Monday - a great opportunity for them to enhance and develop their leadership skills. We have just concluded our first Wellness week of the school year - a week in which we focus and put emphasis on our staff and students' overall wellbeing.

St John's College

Our Year 9 students were on camp this week for three days, returning home on Friday, tired but happy. Our senior Te Reo students had their annual three day trip to Mahia and we had thirteen students participating in the East Coast athletics competition never mind having a couple of students appearing on TV. Our canoe polo teams are training hard for nationals which are in two weeks' time, the rugby players are training for their trip to Chile over the holidays and rehearsals for "Bugsy Malone", the combined production with Sacred Heart College, are in full swing.

Reignier School

St Joseph's day 19th March. Mass at St Mary's at 9.15am will begin the celebration of our Feast day. All are welcome to join us at Mass.

Food for Faith for Lent: Sign up to receive daily email encouragements from Fr John O'Connor at www.foodforfaith.org.nz



St Patrick's Day Celebration Sunday 17th March St Patrick's Church



TODAY 10am Mass - St Patrick's.
Join us from 11am under the gazebos (in the hall if wet) for a free lunch!

Find a table to sit at and prepare to be entertained by parishioners from various generations!

Raffle to assist with the cost. All welcome - so be there for the shenanigans.

"Napier Community Foodbank is currently short of soap, sugar, jam, instant noodles, tea bags and dried pasta. We also continue to be very short of baked beans and spaghetti."

Planned Giving

A reminder that all gifting received by 31st March is eligible for the 2018/19 Donations Rebate.

To take full advantage of the rebate make sure your Planned Giving is up to date. Receipts will be issued mid April.

Last Week's Collection
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News & Events

St Thomas More Lotto: 2019 Round 1, Draw 9, No 36 – Peter Dawson.

Note: this week is the last draw in this round – please get your \$20 to Jan for round 2 – there is a spare number if you would like to join.

Lenten Reflection Group: Wednesdays during Lent at 10am in the small meeting room in the St Mary's Centre. It is not too late to join.

St Mary's Keeping in Touch: Visiting is now underway mainly in the Taradale area of the St Mary's Faith Community. Please continue to support this ministry in your prayers

Interested in attending Oberammergau Passion Play 2020? There is still room on Monsignor Bell's tour in June 2020 but tickets to the play need to be booked now. There is a small group of 14 people to date but if others are interested there is place for 2 – 3 more. But be quick. Email. mondbell@gmail.com or ph 021 257 6771.

Trinity's "Music Vespers" Sunday 17 March 2019 – 7:00pm. Venue: Trinity Methodist Church, Clive Square East. Musicians: John Redman (vocals); with Will McClure (drums), Mike Mackrill (guitar), David Day (bass). Free event (donation invited for local charities in a "Let the children live" project).

Mass Intentions and Anniversaries

Recently Deceased: Teresa Foley, Mary Shepherd

Anniversaries: Ray Miller 15/3, Charlotte Sullivan 21/3, Gary Morrissey 21/3,

Prayers for the Sick: Pat Patuiski, Carmel Walker, Paul O'Shaughnessy, Aileen Lloyd, Janice Conroy, Marion Gardner, Karina Bolesworth.

Data Projector St Mary's

We are looking for computer savvy students Yr 7 and upwards, to assist with the power point operation at Mass on a Sunday at 9.00am and 5.00pm. You would get a turn once a month or less if there was a large team. Full training will be given and you will be supported until you feel comfortable operating the data projector on your own.

Musicians & Singers Required For Holy Thursday Mass St Mary's Church 18th April

All pianists, singers, organists, guitarists and violinists are welcome. If you play any other instrument come and join in. Please pass this message on to others.

If you would like to join us, please phone Maureen Pitman on 021 027 782 60.

Readings

This Week: Gen 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3: 17 - 4: 1
Lk 9:28-36

Next Week: Ex 3:1-8, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12;
Lk 13:1-9.

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