



CALLED, GIFTED, SENT FORTH

We, the people of God, led and inspired by the Holy Spirit, fed by the Word and the Eucharist, strive to share our faith and live our lives daily as disciples of Christ.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

... his clothes became as white as light ...

The opening words of the Bible: In the beginning God ... God said, 'Let there be light' and there was light. God divided light from darkness. God called light 'day' and darkness he called 'night'. Evening came and morning came: the first day.

God did not call into being the sun, the moon and the stars until the fourth day. Light, then is to be seen as distinct from its sources, a reality of its own --- we need the sun to give us light, but that light can be thought about as distinct from the sun itself.

It is not surprising then, that from earliest times, people have thought of light as related to, and a symbol, of the divine:

'The Lord is my light'. (Ps 27:1)

'In you is the fountain of life,
and in your light we see light.' (Ps 36:9)

Jesus says of himself, 'I am the light of the world and those who follow me will have the light of life' (Jn 8:12)) and believe in the light so that you become children of light' (Jn 12: 36).

In the last book of the Bible, these words are written of the heavenly Jerusalem: The city has no need of sun or moon to give it light, for the glory of God is the light and its lamp is the Lamb. (Apoc 21:23)

In this Sunday's Gospel account of the Transfiguration, we are given a dazzling glimpse of the brilliance of Jesus' divinity: a reassurance of who he is and, therefore the truth of his teaching.

When then Bishop-elect Brian Ashby was asked what words he wanted to be the motto on his coat of arms as Bishop of Christchurch, he selected this phrase: *His light our Way.*

Through this Lent, may it be so, for us all.

Charles Cooper

17 MARCH 2019

Readings—Genesis 15:5-12,17-18; Philipians 3:17-4:1; Gospel Luke 9:28-36

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PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

TE WAIRUA TAPU

BNZ Bank Account # 02-0544-0049224-00.

Please note all cheques paid to any of the four communities must be made payable to The Parish of the Holy Spirit.

Parishioners who would like to contribute to our Parish Maintenance Programme please use ANZ bank account #06-0545-0232987-000

FUNDRAISING

Parishioners who would like to contribute towards Stage 2 of our Parish building project at St Patrick Community in Wainuiomata (the community Hall) can do so by using our BNZ bank account # 02-0544-0049224-25.

As always your contributions are greatly appreciated and eligible for a tax receipt at the end of the financial year.

WEEKLY COLLECTION 2019

March 10th, \$3,234.50

Thank you for your support.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is my light and my salvation

Readings

DAILY READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

March

- 18 Jer 1: 4-9; Acts 13: 46-49; Lk 10: 1-12
17-20
19 2 Sam 7: 4-5, 12-14, 16; Rom 4: 13,
16-18,22
20 Jer 18: 18-20; Mt 20: 17-28
21 Jer 17: 5-10; Lk 16: 19-31
22 Gen 37: 3-4, 12-13, 17-28 Mt 21: 33-
43,45-46
23 Micah 7: 14-15, 18-20; Lk 15: 1-3,
11-32
24 Ex 3: 1-8, 13-15; 1 Cor 10: 1-6, 10-12
Lk 13:1-9

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

3rd Sunday of Lent

First reading: Exodus 3:1-8.13-15

This what you must say to the children of Israel "I am has sent me to you".

Second reading: Corinthians 10: 1-6.10-12

All this that happened to the people of Moses in the desert was written for our benefit.

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

Unless you repent you will all perish as they did.

In Our Prayers

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please remember these and other sick people of the Parish in your prayers.

*Lena Barnao, Brother James, Pat Lee,
Carmarita Marshall, Bob & Noeleen Marshall,
Joan Hall, Bev Moran,*

*Michael & Anne Wheeler, Rosa Marie Santos,
Thomas Harris, Lie Perez, Wally Blazkow,
Maria Tasi, Margaret Tinney, Lydia Pattison,
Helapia Teofilo,*

*Robert & Jocelyn Norris, Tim Heath,
Brian Hughes, Paul Hergus, Paul Schmidt-Uili,
Lagi Gray, Josh Sua'tauloa, Helen Thomson,
Margaret Smith, Zach Howat.*

If you know of anyone who is confined to their home or who needs a visit with Holy Communion, please advise the Parish Office (971.7885)

REST IN PEACE

Please remember in your prayers the soul of our recently deceased.

Denis Kane

May he rest in God's eternal peace.

ANNIVERSARIES

We remember and pray at all Masses for our loved family members, friends and parishioners whose anniversaries occur about this time.

*Francis Nolan, Joan Cecily Walls, Eileen Cassidy,
Kathleen Stokes, Maisie Jackson, Ken Pettit,
Alexander Galloway, Ngaire Young.*

May they rest in God's eternal peace.



Parish Events

GIFTING AND PARTICIPATION WEEKEND

One of our Parish goals is to ***"Become a stewardship parish where all goals are discerned, celebrated and utilized for the mission"***. In this connection, **your participation as parishioners is needed**, to achieving this goal. **A Form was sent out as an insert to our weekly Parish Bulletin last weekend** (Sacred Heart, San Antonio, St Patrick and Our Lady of the Rosary), **requesting everyone to consider in which ministry you are called in.**

GET INVOLVED! Each of us has been gifted with certain talents. This is an opportunity for us to consider, offer our service and get involved in the life of our church community. Let us be united together and share those God given talents and make our Parish of the Holy Spirit - Te Wairua Tapu vibrant and alive. **If you haven't filled out your form yet please do so - We need you!!**

PARISH COMMUNICATION ABOUT SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOPS

Safeguarding Training for all Archdiocese parishes be taking place during 2019, facilitated by Brendy Weir, Safeguarding Adviser for the Archdiocese.

The Safeguarding Workshop for our parish will be: Date: Thursday 28 March 2019

Time: 6.45pm for a cup of tea, Workshop starts at 7pm and we will finish around 8.30pm.

Venue: Our Lady of the Rosary church, at 59 Waiwhetu Road, Waiwhetu.

All Parishioners are welcome. Cardinal John Dew has identified those who must attend as *pastoral team members, pastoral council members, parish administrators/secretaries and all volunteers who work with children, young people, and adults who may be vulnerable.*

This includes people in the parish who may have these roles in ethnic chaplaincies.

We look forward to taking part in the workshop with you. Please let the Parish Administrators know if you are coming or you are unable to come:

Nilda Campbell/ Maria Ashkettle Tel. 04 9717885 (Office)

Or email: holyspiritparish41@gmail.com

CARDINAL'S PASTORAL LETTER RE CHURCHES AND PRESBYTERIES

In response to the Cardinal's pastoral letter, a Parish Committee is being organised/formed whose main concern is to study, make realistic proposals/recommendations and formulate the response to the Cardinal based on the feedback from the four communities.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2019

The Sacramental Programme for 2019 will commence in Term 2 for the children of the Sacred Heart and San Antonio Church communities.

If you wish to be part of the 2019 programme, could you please let us know by **Friday 5th April** as we need to prepare booklets and photocopy handouts. You can confirm your registration in person (at Sacred Heart School office or San Antonio School Office), by contacting Liz Heatley (liz@sacredheartpetone.school.nz), by phoning the Holy Spirit Parish office (971 7885) or by emailing holyspiritparish41@gmail.com

Registration forms and Introduction letter are available from Sacred Heart School, San Antonio School and the parish office. The Introduction letter contains all the programme information. Please complete the Registration Form and return it either to Sacred Heart School, San Antonio School or the Parish Office.

'Broken and Poured Out'



You are invited to a Lenten Quiet Day for the Parish of Te Wairua Tapu The Holy Spirit

Where: Sacred Heart Petone

When: Saturday, April 6

Time: 9am-2.30pm

Theme: We will be sitting at the feet of Jesus with Mary of Bethany, who anoints the feet of Jesus, as he prepares for his Passion.

The day will be divided into 3 sessions focusing on the act of love by Mary, the responses of those present and our response to Jesus and Mary's outpouring of love.

Facilitator: Heather Sangster Smith

Please bring something to share for lunch and an open heart.

Contact: heather.henry1133@gmail.com or 0210631998 or Nilda, at the Parish Office: 971 7885

THE CARITAS LENTEN APPEAL 2019

The theme for 2019 is *“Living our lives with love”*, taken from “Gaudete et Exsultate” by Pope Francis. The theme reflects on the importance of and the practice of, patience, compassion mercy and love. The New Zealand Catholic Bishops Lent Appeal enables Caritas to continue working to heal and support those overcome by poverty and injustice, around the world.

Week 1: Bethlehem University - An Oasis in the Wilderness

Week 2: Papua New Guinea - Transformation in the Mountains

Prayer for Second Sunday of Lent

*E te Atua, God of encounter,
awaken us to your presence in our midst.*

May we hear your voice in our sharing and in our listening to the scriptures.

Donate throughout the weeks of Lent or make a one-off donation using the weekly or single donation envelopes. **Envelopes for the Lenten Appeal are inserted with this weeks parish newsletter.** Put your donation envelopes in the parish collection basket or post to Caritas - PO Box 12193, Wellington 6144.

You can also donate on line: www.caritas.org.nz or call **0800 221022**



DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ITEMS – REMINDER

Newsletter items for inclusion in the week’s newsletter are due to be in by **Wednesday, 5:00pm.** Any items received after the due date will be included in the following week’s newsletter.

URGENT ACCOMMODATION NEEDED

Is there anyone in our parish communities that knows of a four or more bedroom property that would be suitable for a mum and her family of 6 children? Three of her children attend Our Lady of the Rosary School, while the older three children attend colleges in Wellington.

Currently they are staying in a transition house. Please contact ‘the mum’ on: 0276047757

Your prayers during the family’s journey would be very much appreciated.

WELCOME FORM FOR NEW PARISHIONERS:

Available in all four communities from is a form for our new parishioners to complete so that we can welcome you as a parishioner of The Parish of the Holy Spirit - Te Wairua Tapu.

Please return your completed form to your church community and one of our community welcomers will make contact with you/your family. We look forward to getting to know you.



Our Lady of the Rosary - Waiwhetu

ST VINCENT DE PAUL Meeting on Monday 18 March 2019 in Our Lady of the Rosary Church foyer commencing at 7.30 pm.

ANOIDING MASS Will be celebrated this Wednesday 20th March at 10:30am in the church foyer. A warm welcome to all parishioners and friends.

WORKSHOP RE PROPERTY REVIEW

The OLR Stewardship Team will facilitate a workshop, approx 30 minutes, after Mass on 31st March to gather the community's initial thoughts on the Property Review directed by Cardinal Dew. All welcome. If you can assist with child minding please let Martin Ryan know - martin.w.ryan@gmail.com

Sacred Heart – Petone

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Every Friday during Lent at 7:00pm.

CHURCH PIANO – DONATION After the latest check/tune up of our piano, it has been suggested that its life is now nearing its end. So after canvassing, a new one would cost us about \$3,000. We have already received some donations towards it but still short. Anyone who wants to contribute towards this is most appreciated. It can be put in an envelope and marked PIANO or it can be handed to the office. Thank you so much for your generosity.

PETONE ST VINCENT DE PAUL Group's next meeting is **Tuesday 19 March 7pm, Presbytery meeting room**. New members welcome. Cards for special occasions \$2.50 each on sale after 9.30am Sunday Mass. Easter cards now available. Proceeds to support the work of St Vincent de Paul Society.

Next Sunday (24th March) the 9:30 Mass will be led by the Maori Community.

San Antonio – Eastbourne



Our best and blessed wishes and congratulations to

Irene Quinn

who celebrated her 90th Birthday
last Tuesday 12th March.



St Patrick – Wainuiomata

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be held 7pm in the church every Friday during Lent.

There will be a **SAMOAN MASS** today **Sunday, 17 March 11:30am**.

OUR **CANDIDATE**....**Melanie**, at the 6pm Mass Saturday, 1st Sunday of Lent, took her second step towards Easter. She has been **elected** by our community to prepare for entry into the church and receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the coming Easter Vigil. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.

FUNDRAISING COIN JAR SUNDAY REMINDER

We encourage you to please bring your coin jar on the weekend of 23/24 March (3rd Sunday of Lent) and empty the contents into the bucket for carrying to the altar before the final blessing at the 9:00am Mass. Thank you for your continuing support, it is greatly appreciated.



HEALTH & SAFETY TIPS

No one enjoys talking about safety and security issues, particularly in church. But we are called to be good stewards. That includes protecting our buildings, assets, and most important, people.

- ◆ Please be aware of pedestrians, and surroundings, as you enter and leave the Church grounds.
- ◆ Please keep the parking spaces closest to the Church available for the elderly and/or infirm. Thank you.
- ◆ Please park your cars safely and considerately. Please keep our church driveways free of vehicles.

Think Safety, Act Safely!

Scripture Reflection:

***“This is my Son.
Listen to him!”***

We continue our Lenten journey this week, deepening our faith as we ponder Abraham's example and enter into the revelation contained in the Transfiguration of Jesus.

The **First Reading** tells us of the Covenant God made with Abram. Abram had no son, but he put his faith in God and trusted that his descendants would dwell in the land given to him.

The Psalm is a confident prayer that the Lord will lead the psalmist, whose prayer will be heard and answered. He has no fear, but seeks the Lord and hopes in him. It is also a prayer for Christ as he turns his face to Jerusalem.

The passage from St Paul in the **Second Reading** links all these themes: of homeland, of being glorified in Christ, and of trusting in him and remaining faithful.

On this Second Sunday, we always have an account of the Transfiguration in the **Gospel**. The disciples had a physical journey and a time of prayer before encountering this mystery. Seeing Jesus transfigured, in the presence of Moses and Elijah, and hearing the voice from heaven, all struck them forcibly, even if they only understood in hindsight. Perhaps this week we can ponder the possibility, by the power of Christ, of transformation in our own lives this Lent.

Parish Life

WISDOM FROM POPE FRANCIS

**“Lent is a time for reconsidering our feelings,
for letting our eyes be opened to injustice,
to open our hearts to those suffering.”**



Archdiocesan Events

Healing Service - Fr John Rea will conduct a Healing Service at St Pius X Church 63 Te Pene Avenue, Titahi Bay this **Wednesday 20 March beginning at 7.30 pm**. Everyone is invited. Please bring those who need Jesus' healing.

Voices to MP's Rally: Everyone is invited to join and support Pacific People say NO to the End of Life Choice Bill. The Select Committee is due to report back to Parliament at the end of the month so it is time to gather together and urge Member's of Parliament to vote against this Bill. All are welcome. **Tuesday 19th March 2019 from 11 am to 2 pm at Parliament Grounds**. MP's will come out between 12 and 1pm.

Christian Meditation Community Day

The Wellington Region of the NZ Community for Christian Meditation is holding a Community Day of Reflection about Suzanne Aubert, on Saturday 23rd March at the Island Bay Home of Compassion, led by Sr Sue Cosgrove, from 9.30am to 1.30pm. A Contemplative Mass will be celebrated by Fr John Pettit at 2pm in the Chapel. Enquiries to Elspeth Preddey 04 472 3369.

MASS SCHEDULES

Sunday	8:00am 9:00am 9:30am 10:00am 5:30pm	Our Lady of the Rosary, Waiwhetu St Patrick, Wainuiomata Sacred Heart, Petone Our Lady of the Rosary, Waiwhetu Sacred Heart, Petone
Tuesday	9:00am 9:00am 9:30am	Our Lady of the Rosary, Waiwhetu St Patrick, Wainuiomata (Chapel) Sacred Heart, Petone
Wednesday	9:00am 9:30am 11:00am	Our Lady of the Rosary, Waiwhetu Sacred Heart, Petone (10am every 1st Wed of month) San Antonio, Eastbourne
Thursday	9:00am 9:30am	St Patrick, Wainuiomata (Chapel) Sacred Heart, Petone
Friday	9:00am 9:30am 10:00am	Our Lady of the Rosary, Waiwhetu San Antonio, Eastbourne St Patrick, Wainuiomata (Church)
Saturday	5:30pm 6:00pm	San Antonio, Eastbourne St Patrick, Wainuiomata

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday	After 9:00am Mass	St Patrick, Wainuiomata
Wednesday	10:00am	San Antonio, Eastbourne
Thursday	After 9:30am Mass	Sacred Heart, Petone

ROSARY

Wednesday	7:30pm	St Patrick, Wainuiomata
Friday	9:10am	San Antonio, Eastbourne

WORD AND COMMUNION SCHEDULES

Monday	9:00am	St Patrick, Wainuiomata
Tuesday	9:30am	San Antonio, Eastbourne
Wednesday	9:00am	St Patrick, Wainuiomata
Thursday	9:30am	San Antonio, Eastbourne
Friday	9:30am	Sacred Heart, Petone

BAPTISM

2nd and 4th Sunday of the month.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Every 1st Thursday of the month

MARRIAGE, FUNERALS

By appointment only. Please telephone the Parish Office in Petone on (04.971.7885).

RECONCILIATION

San Antonio and Sacred Heart churches: By appointment only.
Our Lady of the Rosary: By appointment only.
St Patrick: Saturdays 5:30 - 5:45pm.