



The Most Holy Trinity

St Thomas More Parish, Glenfield, 4 June 2023

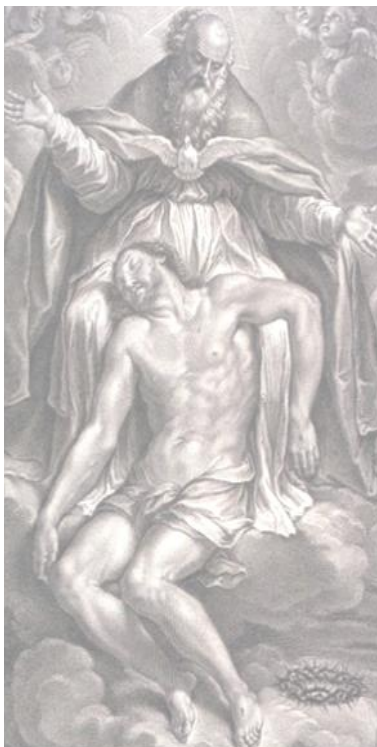
Exploring The WORD

“God sent his Son so that through him the world might be saved.”

We begin our 'Ordinary Time' by celebrating a strange feast - not of a particular saint or event, but of the awesome paradoxes of our God, the Three-in-One, Father, Son and Spirit: so immeasurably distant, yet so amazingly close, so full of power and so full of love.

It is love that is the key to the mystery:

the revelation of God, to Moses and in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, shows a perfect love - a perfect unity. In the beginning, in the story of Creation in Genesis, God made man and woman 'in the image and likeness of God', to live together as a community of love. So too, the Church is an image of this perfection of community which is Father, Son and Spirit. We, as many members of one Church, strive in our everyday lives to imitate God who is Three and One, perfect unity and perfect love.



Prayer of Consecration to the Trinity

O Everlasting and Triune God, I consecrate myself wholly to you today. Let all my days offer you ceaseless praise, my hands move to the rhythm of your impulses, my feet be swift in your service, my voice sing constantly of you, my lips proclaim your message, my eyes perceive you everywhere, and my ears be attuned to your inspirations.

May my intellect be filled with your wisdom, my will be moved by your beauty, my heart be enraptured with your love, and my soul be flooded with your grace.

Grant that every action of mine be done for your greater glory and the advancement of my salvation. Amen.

Prayer to the Holy Trinity

Glory be to the Father, Who by His almighty power and love created me, making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son, Who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell, and opened for me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit, Who has sanctified me in the sacrament of Baptism, and continues to sanctify me by the graces I receive daily from His bounty.

Glory be to the Three adorable Persons of the Holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen

GOSPEL SPIRITUALITY

The God Of Revelation

One of the foundational truths of our faith is the “one God in three Persons: Father all-powerful, Christ Lord and Savior, Spirit of love.”

We can reason our way into knowledge of the existence of God, but we would never know of God as Trinity if it were not revealed to us. There is much else about God that has been revealed:

about God as giver of life, land, and food; about God as liberator and protector; about the God of peace and the God of covenant love; about the suffering God, the God of the poor; about the God made flesh, the God with us. None of this comes from reason, although it does not contradict reason. Most of what we know about God we know because God has revealed it to us. On this Trinity Sunday, it would be good to reflect on the God of our faith and worship. Do we honor the God of revelation, or do we honor a god of our own making? Do we honor the vengeful god of a merciless world, or do we honor “the Lord, a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity”?

Gerald Darring/ <https://liturgy.sluhostedsites.org>



Practice Saturday
10 June 2pm.

First Eucharist

Will be celebrated on
Sunday 11 June
at 10am Mass.
All welcome to share in this
wonderful celebration.

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP

BOWLING NIGHT



Friday 16 June
7-9pm Location TBC

For parishioners interested in becoming Prison Chaplain volunteers or to facilitate **THE SEASONS FOR GROWTH PROGRAMME** (see poster in foyer). Training will be provided. Please contact Ramon, Catholic Chaplain, Paremoremo Prison email: Ramon.Manaloto@corrections.govt.nz

Seniors Group Morning Get-together

Next gathering is Tuesday
20 June after 9.15am Mass



ALL parishioners are welcome to join us in our morning tea. We will have a short reflection on our patron St Thomas More, whose Feast Day is on 22 June and will be joined by a group of visitors from other parishes. And as time allows: gentle exercise and BINGO.



Understanding Divine Mercy

with Fr Chris Alar MIC

Sunday 11 June
5pm to 8pm.
Sacred Heart
Catholic Church,
16 Vermont Street,
Ponsonby
5pm Holy Mass,
followed by talks and
Holy Rosary



Mums & Bubs

Socialise / cuppa / play
/ songs / fun

Mums and Grandmas bring along your preschoolers for some fun social time together.



St Thomas More Hall, Glenfield
Wednesday 7 & 21 June 10am to about noon.
For information contact Sylvia: 021 088 22990

Kids Korner <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/HOLY-TRINITY.pdf>

Parent Ponderings <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Need-something-bigger-than-yourself.pdf>

If you have received this newsletter via email you should be able to right click on the link and then click Open Hyperlink.

THE WORD OF GOD

Trinity Sunday

Daniel 3:52-57

Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

John 3:16-18

Monday

Tobit 1:1, 2:1-8

Mark 12:13-17

St Boniface

Tuesday

Tobit 3:7-25, 4:1-23

Mark 12:13-17

St Marcellin Champagnat

Wednesday

Tobit 3:1-11, 16-17

Mark 12:18-27

Thursday

Tobit 6:11,7:1,9-14, 8:4-8

Mark 12:28-34

Friday

Tobit 11:5-15

Mark 12:35-37

St Ephrem

Saturday

Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20

Mark 12:38-44



Alpha for Couples via zoom

Are you a dating, engaged or a married couple and want to improve and deepen your communication with your partner/ spouse? Marriage & Family Life are offering an opportunity to improve communication with each other and at the same time deepen our friendship with God. You don't have to be Catholic to attend. **This free course is only available to couples.** Registration open till 20 July 2023 To register or find out more , see this link: https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/alpha_couples/. Contact Gerry 021-02247442 for more info.

Diocesan Marriage Preparation Course:



Are you are getting married? Please book your Diocesan Marriage Preparation course here: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/our-courses/> Please book 1 year (if getting married in NZ) or 18 months (if getting married overseas) in advance of your wedding date. The 3 part course takes about 30 hours to complete. This is usually spread over 3 months. For information email: marriageandfamily@cda.org.nz or call Gerry on 021 02247442



WINTER OASIS

A Christian Youth Camp
For school years 9 -13

Date : 9th July – 11th July
Venue : Camp Morley, Clarks Beach
Fee : \$80

Contact: WinterOasisCamp@gmail.com
021 02288783 (Althea Misquitta)
Register: <https://bit.ly/winteroasis2023>

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Lamb of God Christian Community
Auckland Branch

Remain in ME
John 15:4-7

Reconnect

The **Lamb of God Community** invite youth in school years 9 to 13 to its 25th Annual Youth Camp "Winter Oasis" to be held from 9-11 July at Camp Morley - Clarks Beach. The theme this year is "Reconnect" based on the scripture verse "Remain in Me" John 15:4-7. The focus will be on helping our youth reconnect to God and to other youth who share their faith in Christ. For information & to register, <https://bit.ly/winteroasis2023> or contact Althea Misquitta WinterOasisCamp@gmail.com

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO Interested in studying Theology?
The Theology Programme at the University of Otago offers a wide range of papers and qualifications, all available via distance learning. For further information go to www.otago.ac.nz/theology or ph 0800 80 80 98 or 03 479 8639. See <https://tinyurl.com/theologyotagovideo> for a brief video or find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/theologyotago. Details about our Semester 2 papers are available here: <https://www.otago.ac.nz/theology/study/papers/index.html#second-semester>

St Francis Retreat Centre:

Franciscan Spirituality Series - Learn about the real St Anthony of Padua and his evangelical zeal. Next session is this Sun 4 Jun- 'The Real St Anthony' by Br Philip Jeffares OFM - 2pm-4pm (Free)

Fundraiser for Chapel Refurbishment- Come for an entertaining night organised by Trinity Events to support our Chapel Refurbishment Project | Sat 10 Jun @ 7:30pm at Mt Eden War Memorial Hall | For more details and to get tickets please go to our website.

Contemplative Retreat- Want to deepen your faith? Join us for an introduction to Christian meditation | Sat 12 Aug 10am-4pm | Earlybird (before 31 Jul) \$65 | Standard (after 31 Jul) \$85

Book of Ruth Retreat - Join us for a study and reflection on the Book of Ruth by Dr Alice Sinnott RSM | Fri 21 July 7pm - Sat 22 July 7pm | Overnight \$150pp | Saturday only \$95 pp. For more info & to book call 09 625 6651 or visit www.sfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz



First Wednesday - 7 June 2023

Exposition 6.30pm

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help 7pm

Mass 7.30pm

Novena continues on Wednesdays at 6.30pm



Our North Shore Regional Talent showcase StarLight is back again this year on the 22 July at Rosmini College. Do we have any talented parish youth to participate? If you are a budding talent and belong to a North Shore Parish or Catholic School community and are Yrs 7-13 we want YOU to take part in our talent showcase! More details on the StarLight FB page <https://www.facebook.com/starlighttalentshowcase> Questions? call Quintin Fialho 021 188 8847

TITIPOUNAMU Study & Joy

Mary in the Scriptures with Kieran Fenn fms. Mondays, 19/26 June & 3/10 July, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Free. Koha welcome.

Focus on Target - Draw Fresh Momentum with Laetitia Puthenpadath Tuesdays, 27 June & 04/11/18 July, 12.30-1.30pm. ZOOM. Fee: \$20/session or \$70/4 sessions. For more information: www.studyjoy.nz

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

Taize Prayer Evening Friday 9 June 7pm, Mary MacKillop Chapel, 56 Selwyn Avenue, Mission Bay. See poster in foyer.

G.I.F.T. Pentecost Mass Wednesday 14 June at 7pm at the G.I.F.T. Centre, 28 Telford Ave, Mt Eden. Intellectually disabled people, families & support workers welcome. Supper afterwards.

St James' Catholic School 65th Jubilee, 304 Albert Street, Palmerston North. Weekend of 10 September 2023 & we invite all past and present students, staff, families, and supporters to celebrate this wonderful occasion. Register your interest by emailing office@stjamescatholic.school.nz your details.

MIHA MĀORI – MASS in TE REO MĀORI at HĀTO PETERA CHAPEL

A monthly Miha Māori is held at the Hāto Petera Chapel, 103 College Road, Northcote. The Mass will be celebrated on Saturday 10 June at 5pm with Rosary at 4.30pm. All are welcome. For information, contact Manuel Beazley, Vicar for Māori email: ManuelB@cda.org.nz Piki mai, hono mai, nau mai, haere mai. Kia inoi, kia mahi.

SAFE CHURCH ~ SAFE GUARDING

As Catholics we believe that every person is created in the likeness and image of God. Therefore, we continue to ensure that our parish is a place where everyone is treated with respect and dignity. We foster an environment which is welcoming, and in which all our parish family feel safe. If you have any complaints or concerns, contact the National Office for Professional Standards 0800-114-662.

Please **DO NOT double park** in the main carpark and block access for drop-offs. Be thoughtful of our neighbours, don't block St Thomas Lane with inconsiderate parking.

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Blessed Bacon & Eggs



Hundreds at Catholic men's breakfast - pg 3

Just \$4

All welcome to share

in a cuppa after the 10am Mass hosted by the **South African** community

Baptism Preparation Courses

11 June & 2 July 2023
To book, phone or email parish office.
Ph: 444 8624 or office@stthomasmore.org.nz

Please pray for our sick parishioners & their families

Simone Choromanski,
Mary Baker, Israel Nathan,
Tamar Mathews,
Mark Delaurier,
Mary Anne Clark
Contact the Parish office if you wish to add names
office@stthomasmore.org.nz

Holy Cross Seminary
www.holycross.org.nz