

AUCKLAND INNER CITY PASTORAL AREA



ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH

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CATHEDRAL OF ST PATRICK & ST JOSEPH



ST PETER'S, ONEROA

WAIHEKE ISLAND

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ 11 JULY 2010

Today is the **feast of St Benedict**.

Happy Feast Day to St Benedict's Parish!

Let us also remember **Pope Benedict XVI**.

It is good for us to reflect on the Benedictine legacy that is a part of our inner city story. Benedict is certainly one of the shining stars of the Christian spiritual tradition.

He was born in 480AD and is considered to

be the founder of western monasticism, a spiritual movement that still has much to offer us today. Robert Ellsberg in his book

All Saints ~ daily reflections on saints, prophets, and witnesses for our time, writes

"Benedictine monasteries presented a challenge of an alternative world, governed by the spirit of Christ.

At a time of extreme social hierarchy, they presented an ideal of equality.

At a time when manual labour was derided, they affirmed the spiritual value of work. During a time of cultural disintegration, they maintained islands of learning and civilization. In a time when violence was commonplace, they lived by a motto of peace. The Benedictine monasteries represented a vision of health, wholeness and ecology in a world out of kilter. To the extent that that world remains *our* world, the vision

of St Benedict retains its relevance and attraction". Benedictine spirituality calls for an integration and balance of prayer and work, "**Ora et Labore**", and calls for an attentive 'listening' for the voice of God in self, others and in the world.

With this ancient tradition as a foundation,

Benedictine monks from Ramsgate Abbey in England, founded the parish church in Newton in 1879. *St Benedict pray for us!*

~ Today is "**Sea Sunday**". This is particularly relevant to us as a port city. The international Maritime Organisation (IMO) has declared 2010 as "Year of the Seafarer" to pay tribute to the 1.5million seafarers for their unique lifestyle, and to increase awareness of the difficult situations created by nature, but often by people, in which many of them find themselves while sailing across the seas. Seafarers are often "invisible people" passing quickly through the ports. Sea Sunday invites us to see and recognise them as 'real people' who, with their hard work and sacrifices (including being away from home and loved ones) make *our* lives more comfortable.

The Apostleship of the Sea with its network of "Stella Maris" centres around the world, including the Auckland centre in Quay Street, is set up to respond to the needs of seafarers of all religions, offering among many things, counselling, clothing, companionship and providing 'a safe and secure port' in time of crisis. By providing a 'home away from home' efforts are made to make their lives a little easier. Today we are invited to be mindful of the need to support the *people of the sea*. Governments are also being urged to ratify the 2006 Maritime

Labour Convention, a fundamental instrument to improve the working & living conditions of seafarers. ~ *PAX Bernard*

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Liturgy of the Word

~ **Deuteronomy 30:10-14** Moses urges the people to obey God's law

~ **Psalm 68** Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live

~ **Colossians 1:15-20** Paul asserts the absolute supremacy of Christ

~ **Luke 10:25-37** The immortal parable of the Good Samaritan

Next Week's readings: First reading: **Genesis 18:1-10**, Psalm: **14:2-5**, Second reading: **Colossians 1:24-28**, Gospel: **Luke 10:38-42**

At St Benedict's....

Every Wednesday...Novena and Mass to our Mother of Perpetual Help at 7pm.

First Friday of the month...Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction 6.30pm followed by Mass in devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 7.30pm.

Third Friday of the month...Rosary at 6.30pm followed by Novena & Mass in devotion to the Holy Child Jesus, Senor Santo Nino at 7.30pm.

St Mary's College Prom Concert

Thursday 22 July 7pm
St Benedict's Church

Patronal Feast Day Mass for Pope Benedict

Sunday 11 July, 4.30pm St Patrick's Cathedral.
Following Mass there will be light refreshments and a Feast Day Cake in Liston Hall.
All welcome! There will be an opportunity to sign a greeting card and add your prayers to the Spiritual Bouquet.

An Invitation

An Invitation to all parishioners from Carlo to his ordination to the diaconate on Sunday 18 July
11am St Patrick's Cathedral

Stationery and craft night

All proceeds go to the kids at Monte Cecilia. Bring school stationery (pens, exercise books etc) to donate and plan to get creative as we make educational posters for the kids. Join us in the Crypt below St Ben's on Monday 19 July from 6.30pm to 8.00pm. All welcome.

Reflection Day ' Mary MacKillop's Spirit'

Saturday 14th of August 10.0 a.m. – 3.00p.m.
A reflective day with time to be in touch with Mary MacKillop's Spirit. How can the spirit and spirituality of Mary MacKillop inspire and encourage us to be attentive to the God within us?
Venue: Mary MacKillop Centre 56 Selwyn Avenue Mission Bay Auckland
Facilitator... Ann Neven rsj Cost: \$20 Bring own lunch – tea and coffee provided.
Registration to Ann Neven aneven@xtra.co.nz
Phone: 2797047

Mary MacKillop: In celebration of the canonisation of Blessed Mary MacKillop which will take place on 17 October this year, we have a set of three booklets on the life and work of Mary MacKillop. These booklets have been produced by the Sisters of St Joseph. The set of booklets are available for \$10 and are very interesting reading, especially in light of Mary MacKillop's connection with St Benedicts.

Please pray for those who are sick, recovering from surgery or needing our prayers, especially:

Gilbert Purdom, Tessa Foley, Cecilia Fouhy, Terry Welch, Daniel Doran, Patricia Borg, Josephine Scully, Valerie Tolich, Joan Collins, Helen Hudson, Claire Christian, Peter McNamara, Patricia Byrne, Robert Rankin, Jasper Todd, Noel Lyons, Eva Schumkel, Trish Stubbs, Sr Patricia Hackett, Abigail Pluijmers, Rhoda McMahon, Mericie de Souza, Andrew Martin, Val de Souza, Jean McErlane, Denise O'Connor, John O'Connor, Iona Turner, Fr Terry Fitzpatrick, Grahame Rice, Stuart Drube, Nhanel Goundar, Efren Lorenzo, Sr Mary Concannon OP, Theresa Stowers, Ann Gilroy, Mary Ellis, Matthew Fowler, Dion Clements, Marlane Sherborne, Anne Courtney, Choy Ying Woo, John Walsh, Masina Folau Fusimalohi, Meaghan Craig, Doreen Milich, Andria Tolich, Joan-Mary Heffernan, Margaret Scanlan, John Walker, Mary Bhalla, Teresa van Dam, Rohan Goonetilleke.

We remember those who have died recentlyTerrence L'Estrange

and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: John Weaver, Eileen Shaw, Nan Boswell, Edward McCool, Doris Morrissey, Ilona Cserrepanji

Eternal rest grant to them O Lord, may they rest in peace.

Caring Sunday

Next Sunday July 18 we will be invited to contribute to the bishop's Charitable foundation

Senior Youth Worker Position

The Society of St Vincent de Paul is a charitable organisation that seeks to assist those in need. We are seeking a part-time (24hours) Senior Youth Worker to join our team.

Please email a cover email/letter and your CV to:

billyvandam@hotmail.com

For further enquiries contact

Bill van Dam

Auckland Manager

Society of St Vincent de Paul

Phone (09) 815 6122

Applications close 5pm Friday 16th July 2010

St Vincent de Paul Society

FOODBANK in desperate need particularly for rice, breakfast cereals, porridge. Items can be left in the basket at back of the church. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Beginning Experience

A weekend away for a life time of change is one of the ways the **Beginning Experience** has been described. It is a programme designed to help widowed, divorced and separated people move towards a gentle closure of the past. In the programme of presentations, personal private reflection and small group sharing, participants find a new hope for the future, increased emotional health and renewed energy to return to their church and family life. The next weekend is 6-8 August 2010. To register or for further enquiries phone 3603054

Divine Mercy Devotion

On Friday ~~30~~³¹ July at 7 pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Praise & Worship, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction, followed by Mass.

All Welcome at Good Shepherd Parish
27 Telford Avenue, Balmoral. Divine Mercy every fourth Friday of the month at 7pm

Financial Support of St Benedict's Parish

Thank you for your on-going and generous financial support of St Benedict's. For those who would like to contribute regularly through the envelope system or through automatic payment, **please fill in the coupon on the back page** of this newsletter and send to the parish office.

Activities for Young Adults

Soul is a group for people in their 20s and 30s - new people very welcome - to register for our weekly emails send your email address to SoulGroupAuckland@gmail.com
For more information on Soul Group events contact Teresa on 021 649 012

Activities coming up....

Just a reminder about this month's Diocesan Youth Mass, 7pm 25th July at St Patrick's Cathedral. This month we will celebrate Mass as a Maori Miha to celebrate the gift of biculturalism through liturgy.

Soul Group invite parishioners to donate school stationery supplies such as pens, exercise books, erasers etc. We will package them up for the kids at Monte Cecilia House.

Please leave contributions in the SVP baskets at the entrance to the Churches.

Fidelity in Troubled Times

Fr Donald Cozzens, Professor of theology in Ohio, Rector of the Cleveland Seminary author of *Faith that Dares to Speak (2004)* and here to address a clergy symposium will give one public talk on Tuesday 27th July at St Columba Centre, 40 Vermont St, Ponsonby at 7.30pm. Come and hear this wise and challenging speaker.
\$10.00 waged, \$5.00 unwaged. Registrations close 18th July. Email patl@cda.org.nz

Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women

Auckland Retreat at Carey Park

10 - 12 September

Guest speaker is Terry Modica from Good News Ministries USA.

To register go to www.dove.org.nz or call Shirley Cole on 07 853 6626.

Parking at St Benedict's Church

Free parking is available from Saturday midday to Sunday evening in **St Benedict's car park** on corner of St Benedict's & Alex Evans Street

Please NOTE: a few parks in top park are marked reserved for tenant parking and are 24 hour tow away.

These parks are allocated to nearby residents not the Church!

SUNDAY MASSES
ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

Saturday Vigil 6 pm
Sunday 9.30am (with children's liturgy)
5.30pm in the crypt

ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL
8am 11am 4.30pm 7pm

Children's Liturgy at 8am, 11am, 4.30pm

Diocesan Youth Mass Last Sunday in month 7pm

\$1 PARKING AT WILSON CARPARK, HOBSON STREET
VALIDATE YOUR TICKET IN THE CATHEDRAL

WEEKDAYS AT ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

Monday: 12.10pm Liturgy of the Word
with Holy Communion

Tuesday - Friday: Mass 12.10pm

Saturday : Mass 8.30 am

WEEKDAYS AT

ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

Weekdays: Mass 7am & 12.15pm

Exposition - weekdays: 11am to Noon

Saturdays & public holidays:

Mass 8.30 am Rosary to follow.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Benedict's ~ Saturday 5 pm - 5.45 pm

St Patrick's ~ Weekdays 11.30am -12.10 pm

BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES

Contact the Parish Office

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W E L C O M E

We extend a warm welcome to new members and visitors to St Benedict's Parish.
If you would like to be a part of the Planned Giving scheme, please complete the form below:

St Benedict's Planned Giving

Please complete the form and send to: Parish Office 1 St Benedict's St, Newton, Ak 1010

I wish to contribute to St Benedict's Parish on a regular basis via
automatic payment / envelopes (please indicate)

Name: _____

Phone (hm): _____ Phone (wk): _____

Mobile: _____

Address: _____