

Situation Vacant

Doreen Fitzharris has been fulfilling a very special ministry within our parish for the past 30 years; the role of 'gatherer'. This is an essential ministry involving writing a monthly roster for Ministers of the Eucharist and the Word and gathering all those who are involved in the Saturday evening 6.00pm Mass to ensure everyone is present and ready for their role in the liturgy.



After 30 years, Doreen is planning her much deserved retirement. This leaves a vacancy for someone in our parish to take up this important ministry.

Please consider if this could be you! Doreen will offer full training and guidance. You will also have a small team of other committed parishioners to support you. Please phone Doreen for more information. **Phone 868 4399**

Social Justice Parish Quiz



Our parish quiz was held last Sunday with 18 participants making up 3 teams of 6. In addition, I had much appreciated support from a husband, 2 official markers and 2 ladies from St Vincent de Paul helping with the tea and shared lunch.

A slightly disappointing response from parishioners. However, those who participated were most enthusiastic – competitive even, and I believe all enjoyed themselves and learned more about social justice and indulged in great fun with fellow parishioners along the way.

Team names were: Catholic Countesses, Teacher's Pet and Joyful. As the team names may suggest they comprised of all female members. The competition was tight.

The results indicated that we were well versed on who's who in the parish but not so hot on Biblical knowledge. However, the core of the exercise was to raise awareness of social justice and the work of Caritas and in this, the quiz was a HUGE success.

Congratulations to the teachers at St Mary's for not only putting a team together but also for WINNING the quiz. Their score was 34.5, only half a point ahead of the second-place getters Catholic Countesses with the Joyful team a mere point behind that.

In addition to this level of success we raised **\$187.50 for St Vincent de Paul**. Thank you to all who contributed financially and with your time. Tracy

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Office: 9.30am to 12.30 pm. Monday - Friday



3rd and 4th November 2018 31st Sunday Ordinary Time

Sat	03 Nov	6.00 pm		Gregory Family
Sun	04 Nov	9.00am	Maori Miha	People of the Parish
Mon	05 Nov	7.30 am		
Tues	06 Nov	6.00 pm		May Barker
Wed	07 Nov	9.30 am		All Souls
Thurs	08 Nov	9.00 am		Leith Krauter Remembrance Mass
Fri	09 Nov	11.30am 12.10pm	Confession	Capt. Henry Tucker & TeKooti Massacre Victims
Sat	10 Nov	9.00 am 9.30 am 6.00 pm	Confession	Thomas Luke Bottrill
Sun	11 Nov	9.00 am 11.00am	Tolaga Bay	People of the Parish

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING:	Deuteronomy 6: 2-6
PSALM:	17: 2-4. 47. 51 I love you Lord my strength
SECOND READING:	Hebrews 7: 23-28
GOSPEL	All who love me will keep my words, and my
ACCLAMATION:	Father will love them, and we will come to them. Al- le, Al- le-lu -ia !
GOSPEL :	Mark 12: 28-34



We pray for our Bishop Steve Lowe. May he be blessed in his ministry with our Diocese of Hamilton. May our Lady bless his ministry.

NEXT WEEKS READINGS - (Year B)

First Reading 1 Kings 17: 10-16
Psalm 145 : 7-10
Second Reading Hebrews 9: 24-28
Gospel: Mark 12: 38-44

Last Sunday's collection total (includes estimate AP's): **\$2,742.90**

Monsignor Frank's Message

Dear parishioners of St. Mary Star of the Sea and all visitors,

Welcome home to Fr. Jack after his Retreat and holiday. It is lovely to have him back. A big thanks to Liz McLeod for your loving care of Simba.

Thanks, too, to Tracy Robinson for being the Mastermind behind the Parish Quiz last Sunday. Well done to those who came and obviously had a splendid time. Next year I will see to it that there is a 'Blokes' Team' to keep the 'Catholic Countesses' on their toes!

On Monday evening at 7.00pm Campion College will be having their Senior Prize-giving in the Gymnasium. Congratulations to all the prize-winners. Well done to all who have given of their very best.

On Tuesday morning at 9.30am Campion College will have their Thanksgiving Mass- once again in the Gym. At the conclusion of the Mass those who are leaving Campion will be thanked and farewelled. We will hear what each has planned for their immediate future and give them a special blessing as they step forth.

Parishioners will be saddened to learn of the death of Fr. Brian Dougherty at Calvary Hospital in Invercargill on Monday. Father's Requiem was on Saturday at the Basilica. Father Brian was an Assistant Priest here in Gisborne in 1993- loaned to us by the Dunedin Diocese at a time when we were desperately short of priests. He was a jovial, kind-hearted man- a true Southerlander- and is remembered with affection by many in this Parish. May he rest in peace. I have sent a Message on behalf of us all to Bishop Michael Dooley.

Mrs Leith Krauter died at Te Wiremu Rest home on Wednesday. A private bed-side Service was held for her on that day. On Thursday morning at the 9.00am Mass a Special Mass of Remembrance will be offered for her. Leith was 89 and had no surviving immediate family. May she rest in peace.

You are welcome to a Service of Remembrance and Reconciliation at the Matawhero Presbyterian Church at 10.00am on Saturday, 10th November. The Service will recall the Matawhero Tragedy 150 years ago. "All who died- Maori and Pakeha- will be honoured- learning and healing from the past; and living with hope into a peaceful future." .. Kind Wishes, Mons Frank.



Farewell to Ciara Lovelock

Ciara is finishing her time with the Diocese working in the Pastoral Team for youth and young adults. Ciara has chosen to study full time in 2019 and will be moving to Auckland. **(Refer Notice Board for Job Vacancy at the Diocese)**

OUR PARISH WEBSITE: This week's featured link on the parish web site (<http://stmarysgisborne.co.nz>) - Patrick Madrid - Why be catholic?



The **Catholic Women's League** will be holding their **Spring Courtyard Sales Table on Sunday 11th November 2018** after the 9am Mass.

Any contributions e.g. cakes, preserves, craftwork, etc. will be very welcome.



Those who still have **Operation Christmas Child Boxes**, could we please have them back **no later than next TUESDAY 6th**. This date is the final cut off. Please leave the boxes in the library or with Audrey in the office.

Hospitality Notice ... Many thanks to those of you who responded to our request for people to join our Hospitality Ministry. We are pleased and grateful to say that we have added three parishioners to the roster; Anne Bradley, Therese Fawcett and Leigh Anderson are our new ladies. It's not too late to join our hospitably team and you can do so by calling Anne Dimery on 8672056 or 0274 622 884.



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The October newsletter from the Sisters of Compassion is available from the table in the foyer. This updates you on the latest involvement of the Sisters in various ministries along with those who are working with them.

A brochure advertising "Our Lady's Home of Compassion Spirituality Centre" is also available from the table in the foyer.



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