

Message from our Priests

In the event of a family member being admitted to hospital, or ill at home, please feel free to contact our Priests or the office for a visit.

Parish Office /Monsignor Contact 867 7224 or Fr. Jack cell phone 021 380979



The **Catholic Women's League** will be holding their first meeting of the year with a social gathering at the Exhibit Cafe (Museum) on **Thursday 21st February at 1.30pm.**

All parishioners very welcome. Please contact Maureen **868 5628** or Kath **867 6761** if you would like to come. There will be a cost of \$11 for afternoon tea.

DIOCESAN WEBSITE

The Diocesan new website is now Live at www.proudtobecatholic.co.nz - You can also access it at www.cdh.org.nz. And newsletter.cdh.nz

You are reminded of the suggestion box in the Church foyer for ideas you would like the Parish Leadership or Finance Committees to consider.



PRAYER CHAIN
Please phone
Liz McLeod
868 3925

for all prayer intentions.
Thank you all



Reminder
.....**Marian Family Group** will catch up after Mass today Sunday for a 'Cuppa' Please come and join us and other young families for a 'cuppa.'

This week's featured link on the parish web site (<http://stmarysgisborne.co.nz>) **Nick Sandmann: Are Your Catholic Sons Ready for Battle? - Fr. Jonathan Meyer**

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Office: 9.30am to 12.30 pm. Monday - Friday **Diocesan Website :** newsletter.cdh.nz



16th and 17th February 2019 - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat	16 Feb	6.00 pm	Roger Harries
Sun	17 Feb	9.00 am	People of the Parish
		11.30 am	Tokomaru Bay
Mon	18 Feb	7.30 am	
Tues	19 Feb	6.00 pm	Kathleen McKeown
Wed	20 Feb	9.30 am	
Thurs	21 Feb	9.00am	Derek Parker
Fri	22 Feb	11.30am	Confession
		12.10pm	Chris Davenport
Sat	23 Feb	9.00 am	
		9.30 am	Confession
		6.00 pm	Helen Race
Sun	24 Feb	9.00 am	People of the Parish
		11.00 am	Matawai

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING:	Jeremiah 17: 5-8
PSALM:	1: 1-4 Happy are they who hope in the Lord
SECOND READING:	1 Corinthians 15: 12. 16-20
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:	Rejoice and be glad; your reward will be great in heaven. Your reward will be great in heaven, rejoice and be glad.
GOSPEL :	Luke 6: 7. 20-26



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 C)
First Reading : 1 Samuel 26: 2.7-9
Psalm: 102: 1-4. 8. 10. 12-13
Second Reading : 1 Corinthians 15: 45-49
Gospel: Luke 6: 27-38

Last Sunday's collection total : \$2,219.90

Monsignor Frank's Message

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

On Thursday evening Bishop Steve, at a beautiful Mass, blessed and commissioned the teachers of our two Catholic Schools for the New Year; calling on them to do their best to inspire our youth to accept and live the Gospel. A group of teachers from both Schools led the music. Lots of senior students joined us from Campion College; as well as many parents and BOT members from both Schools. It was wonderfully uplifting. As a Community we are truly blessed in the quality of the Catholic character at both Campion College and St. Mary's School.

At the Mass the Bishop presented Sarah McConnochie from St. Mary's School a Diploma in Religious Education which was the result of many years of study through the Catholic Institute of Aotearoa New Zealand. Congratulations from us all Sarah.

In a recent letter Bishop Steve gave us the sad news that Fr. JeLo Maghirang has been asked by his Archbishop to return to the Philippines to take over the leadership of a Parish there. Fr. JeLo is currently the very popular Parish Priest of Morrinsville, Paeroa and Te Aroha. Our sisters and brothers there are going to be very disappointed.

Bishop Steve also told us of the arrival of Fr. Peter Kim to care for the pastoral needs of Korean Catholics throughout the Diocese.

The Diocesan Youth Office is organising a Festival for young adults- post High School- from 18-35 for March 22-24. The venue will be at Findlay Park which on Lake Karapiro. They are bringing a guest speaker from Dallas, Texas, named Edmund Mitchell. More on this later.

On March 10th there will be a major public March organised by the Diocese in Hamilton, opposing the changes in New Zealand's Abortion Laws. We will include in the Newsletter the prayer all are asked to pray in support of it.

Kind Wishes, Mons Frank.

Tui Motu InterIslands

Clericalism in the Church
Sharing leadership in liturgies
Religious support for sustainability
Book and Film reviews

On Sale after Mass today \$7



Scripture Study Group Thursday evening

in the Parish Centre at 7.00 pm.
Please come along and enjoy.

Ministry Opportunity

Helpers needed to go on the roster for Laptop Ministry.
If you can assist, please contact Sr. Meg 867 7589



**Reminder Saint
Vincent de Paul**
new phone number
020 417 18608



Reminder from Sr. Meg
MEETING OF COMMUNITY LAY
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION
Tuesday 26th February
at the Convent 2.30 - 4.00 pm

A Prayer For Life

O Mary, bright dawn of the new world, Mother of the living,
to you do we entrust the cause of life.
Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers
of babies not allowed to be born,
of the poor whose lives are made difficult,
of men and women who are victims of brutal violence,
of the elderly and the sick killed by indifference
or out of misguided mercy.
Grant that all who believe in your Son
may proclaim the Gospel of life
with honesty and love to the people of our time.
Obtain for them the grace
to accept that Gospel as a gift ever new,
the joy of celebrating it with gratitude throughout their lives
and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely,
in order to build, together with all people of good will,
the civilization of truth and love,
to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life.

...taken from Pope John Paul 11's 1995 encyclical, "The Gospel of Life"