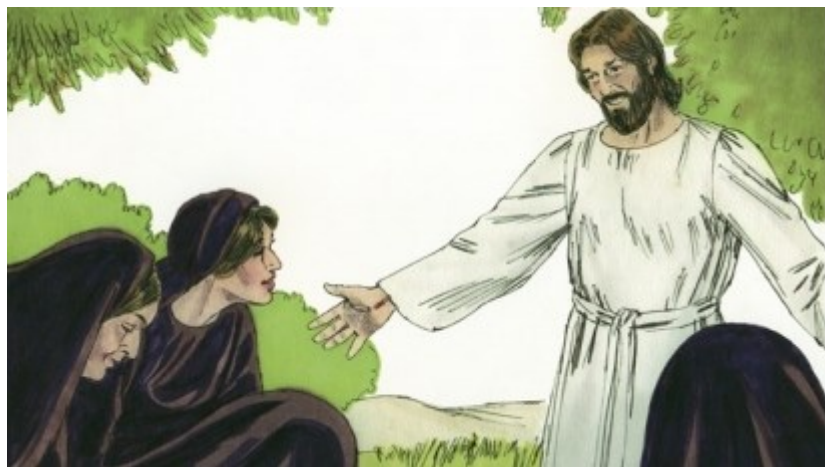




The **Catholic Women's League** will be celebrating their 69th Birthday and invite all parishioners, members and ex members husbands to an Afternoon Tea in the Parish Centre on **Thursday 16th May 2019 at 2pm.**

The League is also starting a knitting and hobbies group and would invite all interested parishioners to phone **Lexi on 868 6954** so that a suitable day and time can be arranged.



DIOCESAN NEW WEBSITE

The Diocesan new website is now Live at www.proudtobecatholic.co.nz - You can also access it at www.cdh.org.nz. It will be a constant work in progress so any suggestions and feedback are very welcome

MASS TIMES

Monday 7.30 am. Tuesday 6.00 pm. Wednesday 9.30 am. Thursday 9.00 am
Friday 12.10 pm - preceded by the Angelus. **Saturday 9.00 am**
Saturday Vigil Mass 6.00 pm. Sunday Mass 9.00 am
Mass at Tolaga Bay 2nd Sunday 11.00 am . Mass at Tokomaru Bay 3rd Sunday 11.30
Mass at Matawai 4th Sunday 11.00 am Mass at Ruatoria when there is a 5th Sunday
in the month 10.00 am **Morning Prayer** Mon-Fri 8.00 am, Sun 8.30am
Holy Hour Sun 7.00 pm **Rosary for Life** Fri 11.40 am

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4th and 5th May

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| Sat | 04 May | 6.00 pm | <i>Mons. birthday</i> | Special Intention |
| Sun | 05 May | 9.00 am | <i>Maori Miha</i> | People of the Parish |
| Mon | 06 May | 7.30 am | | Alice Boydie Te Rito Anniversary |
| Tues | 07 May | 6.00 pm | | John Thompson Anniversary |
| Wed | 08 May | 9.30 am | | Ambrose & Carmel Story Anniversary |
| Thurs | 09 May | 9.00am | | Special Intention |
| Fri | 10 May | 11.30am 12.10pm | <i>Confession</i> | Special Intention Margaret Ann Smith |
| Sat | 11 May | 9.00 am 9.30 am 6.00 pm | <i>Confession</i> | Cecilia Caampued |
| Sun | 12 May | 9.00 am 11.00am | Tolaga Bay | For All Mother's of the Parish |

LITURGY OF THE WORD

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| FIRST READING: | Acts 5: 27-32. 40-41 |
| PSALM: | 29:2. 4-6. 11-13 I will praise you Lord, for you have rescued me. |
| SECOND READING: | Apocalypse 5: 11-14 |
| GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: | Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation. He has shown pity on all people. The Lord of all creation |
| GOSPEL : | John 21: 1-19 |



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 : Acts 13: 14. 43-52

Psalms: 99: 1-3. 5

Second Reading : Apocalypse 7: 9. 14 17

Gospel: John 10: 27-30

Last Sunday's collection total est.: \$2,639.70

Monsignor Frank's Message

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

This is the first Sunday of May...May- the month we especially dedicate to Our Lady. During this month we try to show our devotion to Mary with simple acts of love. Perhaps it could be ensuring that her statue has a place of honour in our homes- and made to look beautiful with fresh, colourful flowers. Perhaps we could make a special effort to recite the Rosary every day of the month; or stop at midday and pray the Angelus. Let's all make a big effort to make Mary's Month special for her.

Last Wednesday evening Fr. Jack, Sister Cynthia and I attended an Interfaith Meeting where two local Muslim gentleman spoke to us of their Faith. They constantly made a distinction between the laws of the Koran, which are merciful, and the practices of several predominantly Muslim cultures, which seem to be far from merciful. They left us in admiration at their commitment to daily prayers and their dedication to fasting (no food or liquid from 5.30am until 5.30pm) during the month of Ramadan- which begins this Tuesday. It is important that we all try to appreciate the goodness within religions far different from our own and respect the integrity of those who commit themselves to them.

This Friday (May 10th) the children of St. Mary's School will have a Concert of Sacred Songs in our Church for parents and parishioners. Our children will be led by the composer, Mr. Andrew Chinn, who will have spent the day at the School teaching some of his new compositions. Most of the sacred songs we sing at our Wednesday morning Masses with our School are Mr. Chinn's compositions. I'm sure it will be a delightful evening of song and laughter.

Fr. Jack's final Masses before leaving on his wonderful holiday will be the 6.00pm next Saturday (May 11th) and the 11.00am Mass at Tolaga Bay on the 12th. He will be returning, with many tales to share, on June 18th.

Fr. Tom Laffey SM was laid to rest on Friday with a Requiem Mass at St. Joseph's Ponsonby. May he rest in peace.

Kind Wishes, Mons Frank.

This week's featured link on the parish web site (<http://stmarysgisborne.co.nz>)
Divine Mercy Chaplet - Fr Rob Galea, Natasha and Gary Pinto.

Last week's featured link on the parish web site (<http://stmarysgisborne.co.nz>)
Is Marriage Done For?—Dr. Scott Hahn.

Found on the street by a Parishioner..... A silver chain with medal. If it is yours please call into the office to collect. Many thanks Audrey

The May 5 – 18 issue of NZ Catholic is out now. Some headlines are: Memorial Masses in NZ after Sri Lanka Easter bombings. New first-year seminarians at Holy Cross. Leading teens closer to God. Bishop Patrick Dunn's memories of Notre Dame Cathedral. The next issue of *NZ Catholic* will be published on May 19.

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Forms at notice Board



PRAYER CHAIN

Please phone
Liz McLeod
868 3925

for all prayer intentions.
Thank you all

Ride required to SUNDAY
9.00 am MASS

I have been asked if I could ask a parishioner to pick up a young man from the town end of Stout Street and bring him to Mass. Please, if you can help out. Call me at the office. Thank you

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

Supporting the Muslim Communities

I have had a very late Donation (Cash) arrive on my desk while I was away. Please be advised that the Donation Appeal for this **has closed** and this will not be sent to this appeal. Please collect from me if it was yours. Thankyou Audrey

Please have Cash available on the weekends of 11th and 12th and 18th and 19th May to support Campion College Boys Basketball Team Tournament Fundraiser Raffle. \$2 per ticket or 3 tickets for \$5. Drawn 20th June under Police Supervision, 3 Prizes.