

Reminder this weekend (Sunday)

Parish Celebration of Fr Jack's 80th Birthday
9am Maori Mass & morning tea
And then
12.00 mid day Pot Luck Shared Lunch in
Parish Centre.



*Fr. Jack, we all wish you a very 'Happy 80th Birthday'
 and wish you a happy and fulfilling year ahead
 with good health*

Happy Birthday

Rā whānau ki a koe
 Rā whānau ki a koe
 Rā whānau ki a Pa
 Rā whānau ki a koe



Fr Jack Blessing our newly Ordained Priest.....
 Fr. Matthew Gibson last weekend.



Alex Busby 'serving communion' with our newly ordained Priest....
 Fr Matthew Gibson

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7th September and 8th September 2019

Sat	07 Sep	6.00 pm	People of the Parish
Sun	08 Sep	9.00 am	Maori Mass Special Intention for Fr. Jack Smith
Mon	09 Sep	7.30 am	
			<i>Reminder: ALPHA</i> Starts 6.45 pm
Tues	10 Sep	6.00 pm	Terry Walters
Wed	11 Sep	9.30 am	Patrick Hegarty
Thurs	12 Sep	9.00am	Legion of Mary
Fri	13 Sep	11.30am	<i>Confession</i>
		12.10pm	Alice Te Rito & Special Birthday Wish Fr.Jack
Sat	14 Sep	9.00 am	Helen Sergy
		9.30 am	<i>Confession</i>
		6.00 pm	Joan Thomson
Sun	15 Sep	9.00 am	People of the Parish
		11.30 am	Tokomaru Bay

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: **Wisdom 9: 13-18**
 PSALM: **89: 3-6. 12-14. 17**
In every age O Lord, you have been our refuge

SECOND READING: **Philemon 9-10. 12-17**
 GOSPEL **Let your face shine on your servant and teach me your laws. Alleluia !**
 ACCLAMATION:

GOSPEL : **Luke 14 : 25-33**



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 - 24th Week Ord Time
 First Reading : Exodus 32: 7-11. 13-14
 Psalm: 50: 3-4. 12-13. 17. 19
 Second Reading : 1 Timothy 1: 12-17
 Gospel: Luke 15: 1-10

Last Sunday's collection total est.: \$2,061.30

Monsignor Frank's Message

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

Today is the Feast of Our Lady's Birthday. Fr Jack is very much a Marist- so what better day than this to celebrate his 80th Birthday! Congratulations Fr. Jack. God has been wonderfully kind in asking you to share your priesthood with us!

At 12.00pm mid-day all of Fr. Jack's friends- that is YOU- are warmly invited to return to the Church for a pot-luck shared lunch in the Parish Centre in honour of Fr. Jack.

Last Saturday, at a sumptuous Mass, Fr. Matthew Gibson was ordained as a priest. There was a huge, joy-filled crowd and over 60 priests from all over the country were in attendance. In the latest 'New Zealand Catholic' Fr. Matthew is featured. He says: "I have fond memories of my pastoral year spent at St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish in Gisborne. The parishioners there were very kind to me. I saw how varied the life of a priest is, from celebrating the sacraments, to teaching, to visiting the sick and lonely and being involved in the lives of young families."

This coming week is Social Justice Week. We will have a special focus on Social Justice at next week's Mass. After Mass next Sunday there will be our annual parish quiz followed by a pot luck lunch. The quiz categories are Catholic Social Teachings, Sport, the Bible, Who's Who in the Church and Famous Quotes. Come with a team or grab some folk for your team on the day! To enter there is a charge of \$5 a person and all proceeds will be given to our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society to enable them to help people in need in our Gisborne community. Come along and enjoy!!

On Monday evening, beginning at 6.45pm we will have our 5th Session of Alpha at Campion College. The topic will be "Why and How Should I Read the Bible?" Once again you can be guaranteed of an inspirational talk and lots of friendly faces!

Tonight at 7.00pm we will be having our usual time in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8.00pm in the Chapel. This week, though, we will be doing it in union with pray-ers all over New Zealand who have been asked to come together for adoration on Our Lady's Birthday, praying for the overturning of the Abortion Legislation Bill and praying for New Zealand. Have you got your Abortion Legislation submission in yet? I did mine during the week.

Kind Wishes, Mons Frank.

Social Justice Week: 8th – 14th September 2019



Each year in September, the New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference give us Social Justice Week to consider Catholic social teaching on an issue of Social Justice in New Zealand.

This year the theme for parishes is *Fair, You Say?*, You will find the Caritas leaflet, using Cardinal Cardijn's SEE-JUDGE-ACT method, in your newsletter. Take some time to notice the inequity or injustice in our communities, then discern how to act in fairness.

And what is tenderness? It is the love that comes close and becomes real. It is a movement that starts from our heart and reaches the eyes, the ears and the hands."
– Pope Francis, TED talk, 2017

The challenge of social justice week in St Mary's Star of the Sea is to consider what is fair and how this could be improved for more people to experience fairness in their lives.

After Mass Next Sunday is our parish quiz, 15th September followed by a pot luck lunch.

Gather a team of no more than 10 (no minimum) \$5.00 per person.

All proceeds to our parish branch of St Vincent de Paul.

Bring a plate to share for lunch

Quiz Categories – The Bible; Who's who in the Church; Catholic Social Teachings; Famous Quotes; Sport

Gather your team and start swotting. See you on Sunday 15th September

Great prizes for the winners !! Spot Prizes