Bishop's Appeal Sunday 22-September 2019



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On the **27th of September**, from 12 pm to 3 pm Gisborne high school students have organised Gisborne's third-ever strike for climate. It will begin at Childers Road reserve at 12 pm where we will march down Gladstone Road to the Gisborne District Council chambers, where we will hold a

sit-in at 1 pm. At the GDC, there will be inspirational student speakers, music, and conversations with council candidates and MP's. There will be face painting, water and sunblock. The whole event will wrap up around 3 pm.

It is an all-age strike so everyone is welcome to attend: be it for the whole event or just for the sit-in, whatever you can make time for, we welcome!

REMINDERCurrent of Grace Prayer Meeting Monday 23rd September at 6.30pm



Guest Speaker Catherine Gillies

Society Protection of the Unborn Child (SPUC)



If you have not already picked one up, please help yourself to a copy in the foyer or Library



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.

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21st and 22nd September 2019

| Sat | 21 Sep | 6.00 pm | Darrin Berry |
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| Sun | 22 Sep | 9.00 am 11.00 am Matawai | People of the Parish |
| Mon | 23 Sep | 7.30 am | Special Intention Frances Baumann |
| Tues | 24 Sep | 6.00 pm | Yvonne Honey |
| Wed | 25 Sep | 9.30 am | Darrin Berry |
| Thurs | 26 Sep | 9.00am | Bernard and Olga Unverricht |
| Fri | 27 Sep | 11.30am Confession 12.10pm | Bullivant family |
| Sat | 28 Sep | 9.00 am | |
| | | 9.30 am Confession 6.00 pm | Jo Gavin Anniversary |
| Sun | 29 Sep | 9.00 am 10.00 am Ruatoria | People of the Parish |
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LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Amos 8: 4-7

PSALM: **112: 1-2. 4-8**

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2: 1-8

GOSPEL Jesus Christ was rich but he become poor, to ACCLAMATION: make you rich out of his poverty. Al - le- lu - ia

GOSPEL: Luke 16: 1-13



Farewell Fr. Jack Our prayers are with you....... Safe Travels to Brazil and enjoy

the wedding you are celebrating.

NEXT WEEKS READINGS - 26th Week Ord Time

First Reading: Amos 6: 1. 4-7

Psalm: 145: 6-10

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6: 11-16

Gospel: Luke 16: 19-31

Last Sunday's collection total est.: \$2,240.00

Previous Sunday \$1,957.00

Monsignor Frank's Message

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

At our two Masses this weekend we will have a Parish Census- an opportunity for us to update our Parish Roll. We haven't done this for several years and I am conscious that our present roll is quite deficient. Please be aware that a copy of the Parish Roll is forwarded to the Bishop's Office.

During the week, you should have received a letter from the Bishop's Office concerning the 'Bishop's Annual Appeal'. The Appeal helps fund hospital, prison and university chaplaincies, youth and young adult ministries and lay formation throughout the diocese. Please be generous.

If you did not receive the letter it means you are not on the Parish roll! (That's easily fixed!!) The Bishop's Letter can be picked up from the desk in the foyer of the Church.

On Sunday afternoon Fr Jack will be leaving us until October 13th. Father has been asked to conduct a Wedding for friends in South America and will take the opportunity while in Brazil to see some of the sights of this vast Country. Not a bad Birthday present!! Enjoy, Fr. Jack!

A big thank-you to all who helped to make our Alpha Programme such a success. A special thank-you for the use of the facilities at Campion College. The feedback has been universally positive. I think we were all enriched.

Congratulations to our St Mary's School who on Thursday were lifted in one step from being a Bronze Enviro School to a Golden one. They were judged on the quality of the School Gardens, their recycling efforts and the students' Classroom Environmental Studies projects. I believe they are presently the only Gisborne City School to have gained the Gold Award. Well done!!

On Thursday we celebrated a Requiem Mass for Mrs. Mary Jefferson. Our deepest sympathy to Robin and to their four boys Simon, Grant, Mark and Paul. Mary was a much loved wife, mother and Grandmother and a deeply respected parishioner. May she rest in peace. Fr. Gerard Boyce, who was Mary's nephew, concelebrated the Mass with Fr. Jack and I.

On Friday Requiem Mass was celebrated in Auckland for Mons Brian Arahill. Our deepest sympathy to Jennie Arahill and her family. Mons Brian was Jennie's much-loved brother-in-law.

Kind Wishes, Mons Frank.

This week's featured link on the parish web site (http://stmarysgisborne.co.nz) Follow case against David Daleiden & Sandra Merritt for uncovering Planned Parenthood sale of body parts.

Social Justice Parish Quiz 2019

Another year of another parish quiz has come and gone. This year we had 5 teams comprising of 27 participants. While numbers involved in the quiz continues to be small, the enthusiasm and competitiveness of those participating does not!

It was great to have a team from Campion College his year. The students entered into the spirit of the morning with much enthusiasm, actually far more compliantly than some of our older parishioners who 'snuck' other resources onto the table for future reference. Despite some teams attempting to cheat, the Campion Champions won the Social Justice round, showing their prowess at using the written material to successfully source the answers. However, when it came to the pop quiz queen it was Sister Cynthia who topped the polls. She identified Bono's quote as being a committed Christian in the pop music scene (much to shock of the quiz leader who realised how old she was when the Campion Champions admitted to not even knowing who U2 were). However, age and experience won the day and The Musketeers (whose team included Mons Frank) won the quiz.

Fabulous prizes were handed out having been generously donated by Shane Anderson Decorators, Kerry Low of Bayleys Real Estate and Alzheimers Gisborne.

\$180.00 was collected on the day from quiz contestants and donations, all going to the Gisborne branch of St Vincent de Paul

A full report, including who said Doris Day was a prospective saint of the Catholic Church, will be revealed in next month's Star.

Thanks to all who supported this event.



Thank you to Tracy and Erin for all your effort and time put into running our Caritas Quiz last Sunday . I'm sure everyone present enjoyed the comradery Along with 'refreshing' the brain'!!

The Common Good

A newspaper of the Christchurch Catholic Worker

Water, Climate and Christian Faith...and this is just the title of the lead story. If you have an interest in environmental justice, this is the magazine for you. It is also a great way to catch up on the volume of untruths spoken by the U.S. president, where NZ is spending some of its taxpayer defence force money and unravel some of the founding information about Rocket Lab who operates in our backyard (Mahia). Pick up your copy from the front table in the foyer or phone Tracy 867 6685 or more information.