

Sharing our diverse cultures



We are planning to hold a progressive supper evening in April if you are interested in hosting a table for 8 people with your culture's food theme please contact Phyllis We have done this in the past with 8 countries represented, but don't want to miss anyone this time!

Please email

mcganns@live.co.uk for more information

***** Safeguarding Workshops *****

“Our Diocese, along with other dioceses in New Zealand, has signed off various Safeguarding Policies and we are about to enter the next phase, being the implementation of these policies. Safeguarding is the work of all people in the parish community. The policies and training that are rolling out in the Diocese are similar to those already in place in schools and various other agencies and organisations that accompany children and vulnerable adults. The training is aimed at keeping everyone safe.

Attending a workshop is compulsory for all clergy, paid staff and volunteers who work with children and vulnerable adults, is open to all in the parish to attend and will be a prerequisite for people to work with children or vulnerable adults in the Diocese of Hamilton.”

..... *Bishop Steve Lowe*

St Mary Star of the Sea workshop (run by the Diocese) will be held on February 24th at 7.00 pm (Further arrangement details will follow)

This workshop is for all members of our Parish to attend who work with, Children and Vulnerable Adults within our community

There are Forms to be completed and some groups have yet to be given forms to complete . Please either call into the office to collect the forms or contact your group liaison person .

Please complete these forms ASAP and return to the Parish Office.
Many thanks Audrey

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25th and 26th January 2020

Sat	25 Jan	6.00 pm	People of the Parish
Sun	26 Jan	9.00 am	Special Intention Fr. Tovio and Welcome in Parish Centre
Mon	27 Jan	7.30 am	
Tues	28 Jan		No Mass or Liturgy
Wed	29 Jan	9.30 am	Helen and Max Radvan
Thurs	30 Jan	9.00am	Patrick Ford Anniversary
Fri	31 Jan	11.30am 12.10pm	Confession
Sat	01 Feb	9.00 am	Confession
		6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sun	02 Feb	9.00 am	Maori Miha

FIRST READING:	LITURGY OF THE WORD Isaiah 8: 23 - 0:3
PSALM:	27 “The Lord is my light, my light and salvation: In God I trust, in God I trust”
SECOND READING:	1 Corinthians 1: 10-13, 17
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:	Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom, Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed those who were sick
GOSPEL :	Matthew 4: 12 - 23



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

NEXT WEEKS READINGS - Candle Mass Day
First Reading : Malachi 3: 1 - 4
Psalm: 24:
Second Reading : Hebrews 2: 14 - 18
Gospel: Luke 2: 22 - 40

Monsignor Frank's Message

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

Today with open hearts we welcome Fr. Tovia Iustino to our Parish Community. We pray that Father will be very happy here with us in Gisborne and that his work will be richly blessed by the Lord. I know that many of you will want to get to know Father well. Some may wish to invite Father into your homes for meals with family and friends. Please don't hesitate to do this. And please don't feel as if you have to invite me along as well. Father will probably appreciate a break from my stories!

Bishop-elect Michael Gielen replied to my message from the Parish with these words: "Gisborne, being my alma mater, will always have a special place in my heart. Please pass on my prayers and love. Blessings, Michael" He also said some 'nice' things about me including "Above all I respect your graciousness when losing at golf- not that I was keeping count." (Cheeky fellow!!)

On Tuesday the clergy of the diocese will be gathering at Mount Maunganui for a Mass and Meal to farewell Fr. Michael Gielen from our Diocese. This means that there will be **no 6.00pm Mass on Tuesday evening**. Likewise **the recommencement of RCIA will have to be postponed until the following Tuesday evening**.

Sadly the Wedding of Lisa-Anne Nicolson and Kim Prenter, scheduled for this Saturday, had to be postponed because of the serious illness of Lisa-Anne's father, Andrew Nicolson. Andrew had a major heart attack last week and is currently a patient in the Waikato Hospital. Please keep Andrew in your prayers.

Congratulations to Matthew and Izabela Spackman on the Baptism of their second child, Bobby Fox, on Saturday.

On Wednesday Campion College will have a full School Liturgy at 2.20pm to mark the beginning of their new scholastic year. All the very best to students and teachers. Our prayers are with you.

Last week we said Goodbye to Edna and Tony Polestico as they moved to Wanganui. Today we must say Goodbye to Shajimon and Maria Shaji and their children Sreesha and Shalwin who are moving to Western Australia. Both families have made significant contributions to our Parish life. We wish them well. God Bless and thank-you.

Please remember Merv Lanigan in your prayers. Merv's funeral Service was in our Church this Friday. Merv had been distant from the Church for a long time but made a very strong come-back in the last couple of months of his life. It is one of the great joys of priesthood to accompany a person like Merv through such a time.

Kind Wishes, Mons Frank.



**Mini-retreat 10-12:30
Saturday 15th February**

**Mary's Magnificat:
BLUEPRINT for Lay Mission**



**Come to 9 a.m. Mass
or at 9:45 for a cuppa.**

Bev McDonald is facilitating the morning. She is an experienced Spiritual Director and the Coordinator of Marist Laity NZ. As a wife, mother, grandmother holding a theology degree, she will help us *explore the significance of Mary's Magnificat for each of us and how it offers a blueprint for Lay Mission.*

St Mary's
Gisborne,
Corner Campion
Rd and
Gladstone Rd,
Gisborne.

**Everyone is
welcome.**

**A Koha is appreciated, but be
free to give what you can.**

For any information contact Judy 06 867 4417 or
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[The Jan. 26 – Feb. 8 issue of NZ Catholic is out now.](#) Some headlines are: Pope appoints Auxiliary Bishop for Auckland. New Year Mass on Gisborne beach. New Our Lady shrine for Canterbury. Two jubilees for Cardinal Williams. The next issue of *NZ Catholic* will be published on February 9th

And thank you , Well done to the parishioner who notified the *NZ Catholic* with a photo of our New Year Mass Audrey