

HOLY FAMILY PARISH TIMARU & ST PATRICK'S PARISH WAIMATE

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St Thomas' Church
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Timaru

St Patrick's Parish
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Waimate



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4th Sunday of Easter

12 May 2019

From Fr Brian

This weekend we celebrate Mothers' Day and Vocation Sunday. Let us pray for people who live, or are preparing to live, these 2 vocations.

Huynh and I have been in Waimate over the past week. We visited about 90% of the town-folk.

It's a good opportunity to visit parishioners within the town. We will return during November to visit the rural folk.

As I have been in Waimate this week - I not been able to follow developments on the sale of the *Sacred Heart Centre* and adjacent carpark property; however as I mentioned last week - the deposit has been paid. The settlement date is 15 September 2019.

I think we are fortunate that we have found a buyer for the property.

As you will be observing, most of the work around the Basilica is still preparation work - with the erection of scaffolding.

The bells should be removed over the next 2 weeks. They need to be removed in order to create space for work to progress in the bracing of the tower. The bells will most likely be stored at Lund's Yard. Advice will be sought for maintenance to the bells before they are returned to the tower.

Nick Anderson is taking a photographic record of the work for historical purposes. Lucky man – he can get to go up in the crane bucket.

I will be going on my Annual Holiday from 27 May - 5 July. This year I intend to undertake some Biblical Study in Jerusalem.

Anointing Masses in the Rest Homes:

Parishioners & families are welcome to attend.

This Monday, 13 May, 10.30am: Glenwood Home

This Thursday, 16 May, 10.30am: Highfield Rest Home

Thursday, 6 June, 10.30am: Elloughton Gardens

Thursday, 13 June, 10.30am: The Croft

We will have Mass at Strathallan Life Care once the renovations are completed.

RONCALLI COLLEGE OPEN DAY: Will be held next Sunday 19th May from 10.00am to 1.00pm. Everyone is welcome, please register at the College Hall for a guided tour from 10.00am

MERCY PAST PUPILS: ANNUAL MEETING Including discussion on the change of the Constitution will be held at the Sisters of Mercy, 7a Craigie Avenue, Timaru, Sunday 19 May at 2.00pm. Afternoon tea will follow. All past pupils welcome.



Mothers' Day Prayer

Today is a day to remember and offer a prayer for our mothers, grandmothers and great-grandmothers.

We pray,

Loving God, we thank you for the love of mothers you have given us whose love is so precious that it can never be measured, whose patience seems to have no end.

May we see your loving hand behind them and guiding them.

We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love or time, or patience.

We ask you to bless them with your special love.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, our brother. Amen.

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GARAGE SALE

This coming Saturday 19th May in the Celtic Club Rooms. (Old St Pat's Hall).

If you have saleable items (not clothes) you wish to donate to us - or would like to help out, please contact **Kevin Brosnahan 6887268** or **Mike Prenderville 6885381** or Parish office.

Celtic Rooms will be open on Friday from 1.00pm till about 7.00pm and would be grateful if you can drop your items off during those times. If unable to please ring Kevin or Mike or Parish Office and will arrange to be collected.

We will open at 8.30am Saturday morning for the sale.

Thank you for your support.

DIARY:

Sunday 12 May.

MOTHERS' DAY:

VOCATION SUNDAY:

Monday 13 May

EUCHRE in St Thomas' Lounge 1.30pm. All welcome.

ROSARY group meet in St Thomas' Church 4.00pm.

MEN'S GROUP meet in St Thomas' Lounge 7.30pm.

All men welcome.

Tuesday 14 May

MAINLY MUSIC St Thomas Lounge at 9.30am.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL meet in St Thomas' Lounge at 7.00pm

EUCHRE Sacred Heart Centre, Napier St, 1.30pm. Raffle & afternoon tea. All players welcome old and new.

Wednesday 15 May

NOVENA: OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP AND DIVINE

MERCY will be held in Sacred Heart Centre downstairs at 6.00pm All welcome.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE—WUCWO DAY will be held in St Thomas' Lounge. **WUCWO** celebrations at 2.30pm followed by guest speaker. Please bring plate for guests.

FIRST RECONCILIATION will be celebrated in the Parish 6.00pm, at St Thomas' Church

Thursday 16 May

FINANCE MEETING 5.15pm in Presbytery.

Friday 17 May

PRAYER GROUP meet in St Thomas' Lounge 10.00am.

LATIN MASS 6.00pm, reconciliation from 5.30pm.

Saturday 18 May

GARAGE SALE in Celtic Club Rooms from 8.30am.

Sunday 19 May

PRESENTATION OF THE LORDS PRAYER to our First Communicants at 9.00am and 10.30pm Masses.

RONCALLI COLLEGE OPEN DAY 10.00am—1.00pm

MERCY PAST PUPILS : Annual meeting 2.00pm at Sisters of Mercy, 7a Craigie Avenue.

KEEP THIS DATE FREE.

MID-WINTER ST PADDY'S NIGHT

Saturday the **29th of June**



Holy Family Parish will be joining with Opihi Parish in a fun filled night of entertainment and dancing at the Caroline Bay Hall. This is a combined earthquake fundraiser. Tickets are \$35.00 per person or \$300.00 per table of ten. Outlets for tickets will be advised at a later date.

HELP REQUIRED for selling raffle tickets for our Paddy's Night fundraiser at PaknSave on the 20th and 27th May from 9.00am to 7.00pm. Please put you name down on the clipboard in the foyer if you have a spare hour or two.

The \$100.00 raffle was won by Anna & Brian Fahey, Congratulations.

This week our raffle is a coffee table (1st prize) and two prizes of chopping boards, all hand made by Kevin Feely. Thank you Kevin for this amazing raffle.

Cheese Rolls: I have a dozen cheese rolls paid for but no name of envelope. If yours please ring office. Thanks.

MASS OFFERINGS: We pray for the sick of the parish and those for whom Mass is requested:

Recently Deceased: Anne McCambridge, Marilyn Rooney, Teresa Rooney, Sharon King, Patricia Murphy, Dame Pauline O'Regan RSM (CHCH) Fr Tom Laffey SM (Auck).

Anniversaries: 26/4 Dale Thompson (CHCH) 12/5 Thomas Keith Cullen, Norman Daly, 15/5 Don Kennedy.

Other Intentions: Decd members Cullen & Holley Families.

MASS TIME TABLE THIS WEEK:

Saturday	St Thomas'	6.00pm Vigil
Sunday	St Thomas'	9.00am
Sunday	St Thomas'	10.30am
Sunday	St Thomas'	5.00pm
Monday	St Thomas'	9.00am Communion Service
Tuesday	St Thomas'	9.00am
Wednesday	St Joseph's'	9.00am School Hall
Thursday	St Thomas'	9.00am
Friday	St Thomas'	12.10pm
Saturday	St Thomas'	9.30am

Funeral Masses take the place of scheduled weekday Mass.

Exposition & Reconciliation Tuesday 9.30am, Friday 11.30am Saturday 10.00am.

St Patrick's Parish Waimate Mass times are:

Sunday 9.00am Thursday 9.30am

Considering Diocesan Priesthood

~ by Fr. John O'Connor

Over the past couple of weeks Vatican Astronomer, Br Guy Consolmagno SJ, has been on a speaking tour of New Zealand. As expected he spoke of science and astronomy, but audiences were even more captivated when he reflected on life and love, hope and freedom, and of how his commitment to following Jesus Christ has enabled him to have even greater influence as an astronomer.

Most people make life choices without robust and honest consideration of their inner, personal, spiritual unique reality and needs. If we make these decisions considering only earthly realities and availabilities, (money, success and even relationships) we may experience a superficial and fleeting satisfaction, but will continue with a persistent dissatisfaction: "there must be more to life."

I was inspired by Br. Guy's enthusiasm and happiness. It was evident from his manner and his words that he is striving to live full, and that he is happy.

As a diocesan priest I can relate to this since this deep joy in life is also my experience. As a young man still in my teens I was already looking for more in life, an adventure that was worth a whole life. I have found this as a diocesan priest.

Sure there have been ups and downs, but these highs and lows are the rich stuff of every healthy human life, and when we desire to live with God every reality of life finds purpose and promise.

Perhaps you are a young(ish) man who has a sense that God might be calling you to consider life as a diocesan priest. Don't be afraid of seriously considering this exciting possibility and don't hesitate to speak to any priest, or contact the Vocations Director: Fr. John O'Connor, vocations.chch@gmail.com.

I also encourage parishioners to be active in your own promotion of vocations to diocesan priesthood to ensure that parishes are well served in the future.

NEXT MOVIE:

"THOSE DARING YOUNG MEN IN THEIR JAUNTY JALLOPIES"

Sunday 26 May at 6.15pm.

Starring Tony Curtis, and the original Flying Machine cast this time on a Vintage Care rally to Monte Carlo or "bust"

Bookings essential—Ph Terry on 6844070—monies collected to towards the Strengthening programme.



5th Sunday of Easter—19 May
Acts 14:21-27, Apocalypse 21:1-5, John 13:31-35