

# PARISH of ST MICHAEL

## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

### PROLIFE FACTS

While Voice for Life (VFL) is not affiliated with any crisis pregnancy support or counselling organisations, it acknowledges the contribution of such organisations as they provide support, counselling and practical help to women who are experiencing troubling pregnancies. **For details of organisations that can help during a troubling pregnancy or after abortion, visit [www.voiceforlife.org.nz](http://www.voiceforlife.org.nz).**



**Christian Meditation Retreat.** *Meditation and Becoming Human*, led by Fr. Peter Murphy. Meditation as a path to fullness of life. **July 26-28**, St Francis Retreat Centre, 50 Hillsborough Rd, Hillsborough, Auckland. For further information contact Vincent 09-424-2293 or [vincentmaire12@gmail.com](mailto:vincentmaire12@gmail.com) Cost \$280.

### Dove Women's Retreat Weekend - 26 to 28 July

Come and join us for a weekend to be "Refreshed – Restored - Inspired". The theme for 2019 is "Living a Life Attuned to God's Voice". **Venue:** Willow Park Christian Camp, Eastern Beach, Auckland. There are optional registrations for residential or non-residential. To register or for further information visit our website [www.dove.org.nz](http://www.dove.org.nz) or phone Judy Olsen 07 9751824 or 027 4863024 or email [jude.olsen@gmail.com](mailto:jude.olsen@gmail.com)

### Diocesan Job Vacancies

**Credit Controller & Administration - Pompallier Centre** }

**Prison Chaplain** }

**Applications close 26<sup>th</sup> July**

### Parish Education in Faith Coordinator – Applications close 9<sup>th</sup> August

The Pastoral Services Group is seeking an additional full time member for its Faith Formation team to renew and promote programs for Education in Faith (EIF) and Catholic formation of older children at parish level.

The person we seek will likely have training as a teacher, and be familiar with Catholic teaching. The person will have a good understanding of the sacraments, liturgy and the bible and be able to communicate well with and walk beside older children and young people.

Among other skills needed will be: a welcoming, friendly attitude to all; a high standard of IT/computer skills, including current audio / video and social media platforms; Good time management skills; Approachable and adaptable; Well-presented and professional and have a degree in Religious Education or Theology or Teaching.

To view the full advertisements and position descriptions for the above roles, please see the Church Noticeboard or visit [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz) under Administration and staff vacancies.

**Baradene and St Peter's Colleges Gala Concert.** Come and listen to the best music groups from the 2 schools. Holy Trinity Cathedral, **Tues 6 August**, 7pm. Entry by gold coin donation, programmes \$5, raffles and refreshments for sale.

Birthday Celebrations of our Blessed Mother Mary through Novena, Rosary and Mass in Honour of our Blessed Mother of Good Health, Vailankanni daily from 29<sup>th</sup> August to 8<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 6.30pm. We invite all families and friends to come to St Mary's Parish, 2134 Great North Road, Avondale and join the pilgrimage. Bishop Patrick Dunn, Bishop Denis Browne and also Priests from different Parishes will celebrate Holy Mass each evening.

Through Mother Mary's powerful intercession, your prayers and petitions will find favour with her Son Jesus Christ. For more details please call Cynthia on 813 2101 or Helen 834 7798

### Catholic Caring Foundation's Annual Appeal

Please take home a copy of the Caring Foundation's annual appeal and find out how your gift is supporting families and communities in need throughout the diocese. Want to make a difference to our community? Then please consider gifting to the foundation. [www.caringfoundation.org.nz](http://www.caringfoundation.org.nz)

We remember those who have recently died:

**Fr Ray Green**

We remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

**Jennifer Spencer, Elizabeth Mary Kessler**

Please pray for those who are in need of our prayers, especially:

**Elaine Lunken, Nell Graham, Eileen Martin, Sean Dempsey, Judy Ganley**

**20<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

**Parish of St Michael, Remuera**

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**Parish Priest:** Father Tony Dunn

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**In residence:** Father Stephen Berecz

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**Office Manager:** Fiona Twomey

**Baptism Preparation:**

Pauline loelu

**Religious Education:**

Sr Francis Kelly (adults)

Emma Houghton (children)

**Caring Co-ordinator:**

Kathryn Schollum

**Music Rosters:** Louise Porter

### Sunday Masses:

**Sunday Eucharist:**

8:00am, 10:00am, 8.30pm

**Saturday Evening** 5:00pm

### Weekday Masses:

Monday Cluny Convent 7:15am

**NOT DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

(St Michael's) Monday, Tuesday,

Thursday, Saturday 8:00am

Wednesday 9:15am

Friday 12:05pm

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**

After Mon, Tues, Thurs, 8am Mass

& 11am Friday

**Anointing of the Sick:**

First Friday of each month 11am

Exposition to follow

**Reconciliation:**

Friday 11:25am & Saturday 8:30am

or by appointment

### READINGS THIS SUNDAY

1. Genesis 18:1-10

2. Colossians 1:24-28

### Pastor's Column : 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday 2019

Bishop John Mackey died at the Little Sister's of the Poor in Ponsonby. On arriving there, he was greeted by the Mother Superior. Bishop John remarked to her; "Mother, I thought I was going to Heaven, however this will have to do in the meantime!" Contemplative religious seeking Heaven, still have to live on earth, "in the meantime!" This necessitates having the means to sustain themselves on earth. Monasteries have found different and creative ways of paying the bills. We support a Cistercian Monastery in Tarrawarra, Australia, who are agents for our Eucharistic breads. My first awareness of this pay-to-pray, was as a child accompanying my father to the Cistercian Monastery in Kopua. He was looking to import perfumes from their Monasteries in the UK. eg the one on Caldey Island, in Wales. It is said that smell is the most spiritual of our senses, so it is not surprising to discover this interface of prayer and perfume. It is also a fascinating, scented trail, for scriptural blood hounds! What is the connection between this famous story of Martha and Mary and perfume! If we fast forward from this Gospel, we find in John's Gospel, Mary at Jesus feet, again, not sitting as a disciple, but anointing His feet. Anointing, in the Jewish context of the time, was a normal act of hospitality, but more was going on. By anointing Jesus, with very expensive and fragrant oil Mary, was making a statement about who she believed Jesus to be; the Messiah! The Hebrew word for Messiah is Mashiach, literally "the anointed one!" Christos is the Greek equivalent. This alludes to the ceremony of anointing a King or Priest. Hebrew Kings were anointed with sacred oil, perfumed with extremely expensive spices. The beautiful scent left behind was like an invisible crown, conferring an aura of holiness on the recipient. A King's majesty was manifested not only by what he wore but also how he smelt. We find in psalm 45, "God your God, has set you above your companions by anointing you with the oil of joy. All your robes are fragrant with myrrh, aloes and cassia." Retrospectively, we can understand Mary sitting, not only at the feet of Jesus, as a disciple "drinking in His words, thirstily," but also intuiting He was more than a rabbi. When Jesus rebuked Martha's "distractedness" we find the same word used when He tells His disciples not to "worry," but to look at the birds of the air and the flowers of the fields and how God cares for them. Jesus was not criticising her for what she was doing, but the way she was doing it. Jesus was confronting Martha's illusion of "control!" When we realise that we have little control over others, what they think and do, or about life in general and surrender to the Lordship of Jesus, as Kyrios, then we can go about our business with peaceful trust; trusting not in the answers to our prayers, but in God Himself. Our own Chrismatic anointing in Baptism and Confirmation, now comes alive; sharing in Jesus Kingship, Priesthood and Prophetic vocation. As St Paul wrote to the Corinthians; "But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of Him. For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those being saved and those who are perishing. To one we are the smell of death; to the other, the fragrance of life."

Fr Tony Dunn

ROSTER	16th Sunday Ordinary Time 20th & 21st July 2019	17th Sunday Ordinary Time 27th & 28th July 2019
	<b>Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	
Sat 5pm	Issa Ilo-Cabiling (G), Francisco Byun (P), John Salivio	Ant Martin (G), Anna Dolan (P), Nelson Aquirre
Sun 8am	Maryanne Mahoney (G), Lianne Lyons (P), Camila Martinez	Paul Duggan (G), Jane Penney (P), Michael Franklin
Sun 10am	Phil Porteous (G), Deepak Albert (P), Jane McKay	Nancy Platt (G), Phil Porteous (P), Maricel D'Souza
<b>Proclaimers of the Word</b>		
	1. Genesis 18:1-10      2. Colossians 1:24-28	1. Genesis 18:20-32      2. Colossians 2:12-14
Sat 5pm	Gay Barton, Sr Alice Hardiman (PoF)	Issa Ilo-Cabiling, Zac Cabiling (PoF)
Sun 8am	John Shaw, Catherine Husheer (PoF)	Clare Wade, Eileen Piper-Robinson (PoF)
Sun 10am	Sue d'Young, Cara Fonseca-Ensor (PoF)	Michael Pender, Simon Glass (PoF)
<b>Collectors</b>		
Sat 5pm	Stan Pinto	Birgita Muller
Sun 8am	Jim McGillivray, Eva Shorayi	Tom Piggan, Yvonne MacMillan
Sun 10am	Maria Flordeliza, Alex Houghton	Denise Valerio
	<b>Counters:</b> Heather Jayamanne & Family	<b>Counters:</b> Parish Office
<b>Laptop Operators</b>		
Sat 5pm	John Britto	John Trenwith
Sun 8am	Mike Molloy	Marie Olvido
Sun 10am	Marie Olvido	Yelena Cordtz
<b>Altar Servers</b>		
Sat 5pm	Sydelle Kumar, Sophia Canale, Zander Cabiling	Destiny Jayamanne, Hans Jayamanne, Santiago Aguirre
Sun 10am	Liam Houghton, Evan Houghton, Gian Pollaruste	William Harris, Aaron D'Souza, Stella Valerio, Zander Cabiling
<b>Sanctuary Care</b>		
	Maryanne Mahoney and Ellen Harris	Thomas & Polly Yueng
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>		
Sun 10am	No Children's Liturgy (School Holidays)	Deahna Barrington
<b>Musicians / Cantors</b>		
Sat 5pm	Robert Loretz & Choir	Neil Moraes, Ben Piper, Aaron Korff
Sun 8am	Edmond Wong	TBC
Sun 10am	Tim Gasson, Steve Hughes & Meileen Huang	Matthew Harris, Anna Dolan & Cameron Downey

## NOTICES

### St Michael's Mission Statement

*We the parishioners of St Michael's as a  
Eucharistic family seek to live and share our faith  
in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit*

**The Chalice will not be offered at mass, nor will there be shaking of hands (until further notice) in an effort to contain the spread of the flu virus.**

**St Michael's Scripture Study Group.** We will meet again **Sunday 21st July** at 4.30pm in the meeting room beneath the church. Topic – gospel readings for the next two Sundays. Everyone who has attended the meetings so far has commented on what enjoyable gatherings these are. All welcome.

### The Mystery of Grace and the Holy Spirit

Winter seminar led by Fr. Paul Williamson SM. **Wednesday 24 July** in the Parish Centre at **7.30pm**  
Seminar outline and enrolment forms in the church porch and on the website [www.remuercatholic.org.nz](http://www.remuercatholic.org.nz)  
"If I was made for sharing in God's love, shouldn't I know more about how to get it and how it works?"

### Parish Annual Meeting – Save the Date

**Sunday 11 August at 3.30pm** in the School Hall  
Reports from the Pastoral Council and Finance Council, Annual Accounts, Open Forum  
Guest Speaker: Bishop Paul Martin of Christchurch  
All parishioners welcome. Separate children's programme.



**Baptism Preparation Course** The next course being facilitated for families to prepare for baptism is beginning on 11th August. Sessions will be held in the presbytery after 10am mass on Sunday 11th, 18th and 25th August. Attendance at all 3 sessions is necessary. If you would like to enrol, please contact the parish office office@remuercatholic.org.nz or phone 520-1226.

**St Michael's** meet for a **pro-life rosary** at 8pm before the Sunday 8.30pm mass. All welcome.

**St Michael's Rosary Group** meets weekly on Tuesday at 7:30-8:30pm in the Parish House. All welcome.  
Contact Anne Cotton on 520 5335 or 021 644 692 or [acotton@maxnet.co.nz](mailto:acotton@maxnet.co.nz)

**The Legion of Mary** has a **Pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima** for circulation to Parish homes. If you wish to welcome Our Lady into your home, please contact Carole Kenealy on 524 8422 or 021 152 1724 or Anne Cotton on 520 5335 or 021 644 692.

**Legion of Mary** meets weekly on Sundays from 9-10am in the Parish House. All welcome to attend.  
Contact Carole Kenealy on 524 8422 or 021 152 1724 or [carole.kenealy@gmail.com](mailto:carole.kenealy@gmail.com)

Need a break? "Parish to Parish for B & B" has been providing Catholic hospitality for 16 years, with catholic hosts opening their homes to fellow catholics for a small charge of \$35 for one person, or \$30 each for 2 or more, this is per night and includes continental breakfast. To obtain a directory of the hosts throughout New Zealand and Australia contact Marie Anderson, email [marie.ian@xtra.co.nz](mailto:marie.ian@xtra.co.nz) or phone 03 3595 541 Christchurch. The book incl. postage is \$15.

Please join Bishop Pat on **Wednesday 24th July 2019 at 11.30am** for the Catholic Caring Foundation's Caring Mass. To be held at Christ the King Parish, Owairaka, 260 Richardson Road, Mt Roskill. All are welcome.

**St Aidan's Church Annual Quiz 2019 - Friday 9th August** in the Church Hall, Cnr Ascot Ave and Remuera Road. Proceeds to the Auckland City Mission HomeGround Project. Theme of the evening will be the 1920s (for the Auckland City Mission Centenary). The entry fee will be \$20.00 per person. Pay on the night by cash or Eftpos. Table Settings for bookings are now available Please contact Jenny H to book: 524 5254 or 0277 129 548.

Mercy Spirituality Centre 104 The Drive, Epsom. Ph. 638 6238 or [www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz](http://www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz)

- **DREAMWORK 101:** Introduction to Dreamwork with MARGARET BOWATER. Fri 26 July 6-9pm & Sat 27 July 9.30am-4pm. \$130 incl. manual.
- **ECUMENICAL DAY: Gifts of Gratitude and Grace** Sat 27 Jul, 10am-1pm. St Columba Centre, 40 Vermont St, Ponsonby. \$30 incl. morning tea. Music and reflections from Sarah Hart (violinist), the Rev Josh Jones (guitar) and the Rev Dr. Kevin Waldie sm and facilitated by Beate Matthies, let us come together in reflection and joy. We invite you to experience beautiful gifts of gratitude and grace. If together we are to be well, we must know ourselves to be bearers of compassion, inclining to one another and to the earth with presence.
- **MUFFIN MEETING: Touching the Holy – Pilgrimage** with MARY BARKER. Thurs 8 Aug, 10.30am-12.30pm. \$15 incl. morning tea. Mary is using art to show the journey of a pilgrim and what a pilgrimage actually involves. It will be a visual description of pilgrimage through the ages.  
See our website for more details. Bookings essential, email: [info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz](mailto:info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz) to register.

**Beyond Conflict: Evolution, Science and God.** A two day conference at Otago University Business school. 30/31 August. All Welcome. Scholarships available to students for subsidised travel, accommodation and/or registration through Nicola Hoggard hoggard.n@gmail.com. For more information and to register [otago.ac.nz/beyond-conflict](http://otago.ac.nz/beyond-conflict).