



# The Cathedral Connection



The Most Holy Trinity

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**THREE IN ONE**

## **TRINITY – MODEL OF UNITY**

All life is relational. Nothing and no one stays alive long without the means to live – whether that's air to breathe or sun to warm or rain for growing or people to learn from or friends to hold. Relationships are the building blocks of every life form. This is especially so for human life in which love is crucial. Made in the image of God, each of us is a walking, jumping, thinking and talking expression of the Trinity. Drawn into relationship with one another, we can witness God's presence simply by being true to ourselves and our nature.

God as Parent is creative, bringing into being and sustaining life. God as Son is the healer and reconciler, mending the brokenness in creation caused by the misuse of the gift of freedom. God as Holy Spirit is the encourager, the enabler, the one who breathes wisdom and joy into our efforts, unites and harmonises the variety of gifts, these aspects of our one God are highlighted in today's readings: the Book of Exodus announcing the special relationship between God and humanity as the God of tenderness and compassion; the beautiful passage from 1 Corinthians, urging our faithfulness to this relationship by growing in unity and peace; and the Gospel, proclaiming God's love for the world – so great that this God chose to experience life as a human person!

Those who attended the Lutheran/Roman Catholic service in our cathedral last Sunday, were moved by the sheer emotion of coming together after 500 years of separateness. Honesty and humility stood out starkly as Bishop Mark and Cardinal John led the nearly full cathedral in prayers of confession, hope and thanksgiving. A new relationship has been formed and the path to unity has become much clearer. Our Triune God, the model of unity, is worshipped and honoured in this open commitment to healing and renewal.

*Fr James*

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**Parish Priest:** Fr James Lyons  
**Lay Pastoral Leader:** Fiona Rammell  
**Secretary:** Frank Doherty 8.30am - 4pm  
Parish Office is in Catholic Centre, Hill St  
Hall Bookings: Frank Ph: 496 1700  
Parish Council Chair: Nicholas Burley

**Sacred Heart Cathedral School**  
Guildford Tce, Thorndon  
Principal: Bernadette Murfitt Ph: 472 4047  
DRS: Jane Regan

## Mass Times:

**Saturday 5.30pm**

**Sunday 10.30am, 7pm**

Monday to Friday: 8am, 12.10pm

Saturday 8.30am in Cathedral Chapel

*If a Requiem is scheduled, the 12.10pm  
Mass may not be celebrated on that day.*

**Reconciliation:** 11:50am to 12:05pm  
Monday to Friday (Not Public Holidays)

**Baptism:** By Appointment

*Deadline for newsletter material  
is Wednesday midday.*

*Frank ph: 0-4-496 1700*

*[cathedral.parish@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:cathedral.parish@wn.catholic.org.nz)*

## Activities:



**Exposition of Blessed Sacrament** 7.30am prior to 8am Mass  
Thursday and Friday

**Rosary** Mondays 11.30am in  
Cathedral Chapel

**Music Group** plays on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>  
Saturdays of month at 5.30pm Vigil  
Mass

**Liturgy Committee** meet 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday  
of every month

**Finance Committee** meet 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Thursday every 2<sup>nd</sup> month

**Parish Council** meet 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of  
every month

**Bible Study Group** Wellington  
Sacred Heart Bible Study Group  
Contact: Elisapeci Waqanivalu  
ph: 021 207 6978

**Divine Mercy Devotions** every  
Sunday at 6.30pm

**Prayer Group Meeting** 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>  
Mondays, Connolly Hall 7.30pm

**Holy Hour** 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month  
at 7.30pm

## Readings for the Week



### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> – The Most Holy Trinity

Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John  
3:16-18

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup>** – 2 Cor 1:1-17; Mat 5:1-12

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> – St Anthony of Padua**

2 Cor 1:18-22; Mat 5:13-16

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>** – 2 Cor 3:4-11; Mat 5:17-19

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>** – 2 Cor 3:15 - 4:1, 3-6; Mat 5:20-26

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup>** – 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mat 5:27-32

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>** – 2 Cor 5:14-21; Mat 5:33-37

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> – The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**

Deut 8:2-3m 14-16; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58





## SYNOD DELEGATES

Our parish is entitled to 12 delegates for the Archdiocesan Synod in September. They come from the Pastoral Council, Liturgy and Finance Committees and others with links to parish and ethnic groups. Every parishioner is welcome to make a submission to the Synod Committee. The

list of topics has already been published, but some copies of the discussion papers are available in the Foyer. Submissions close at the end of June. Please pray for our delegates and for the success of the synod. *Fr James.*

With our Lay Pastoral Leader, Fiona Rammell, our delegates are:

Rachel Blackaby  
Nicholas Burley  
Maria Clark  
Frank Doherty  
Gejo George  
Mary Gilchrist

Tony Helbano  
Sarah Hensen  
Aron Jeremiah  
Jane Kelly  
Lyra Manalo  
Jim McAloon



## PRESBYTERAL ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES

This year, the Archdiocese is celebrating the jubilee years of many of our priests (see below), and this wonderful occasion is being celebrated at a Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving on Tuesday, 20 June, 11am at St Patrick's Church, Kilbirnie. All are very welcome to attend.

Fr Brian Wysocki SM	60 years
Fr Donald Morrison	60 years
Fr Joseph O'Sullivan	60 years
Fr James Lyons	50 years
Fr John Mori SM	50 years
Fr Peter Eward SM	50 years
Fr Rodney Smyth SM	50 years
Fr Terence Carr	50 years
Fr Gregory Lakra OFM(Cap)	25 years
Fr Joseph Grayland	25 years

Please remember these wonderful men in your prayers, they are very special.



**CAN YOU HELP?** Our parish needs a Minute Secretary for the Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Committee.

Are there two people in our community that could offer this service? Please contact Fr James or Parish Office for further details.

## CATHOLIC ENQUIRY CENTRE



Trinity Sunday is allotted by the New Zealand Bishop's Conference to pray for the evangelisation work of the Catholic Enquiry Centre in New Zealand. Please support and visit [www.catholicenquiry.nz](http://www.catholicenquiry.nz) or [www.facebook.com/catholicdiscovery.nz](https://www.facebook.com/catholicdiscovery.nz)

## MASS OFFERED FOR:

### Anniversary:

- Maria Russo,  
14 May

*Requiescat in pace*



## FR JAMES JUBILEE



On 2 July, after 10.30am Mass, we will be celebrating Fr James's 50 years as a priest. There will be a shared lunch at St Mary's College hall. Please note your diary. More details to follow.

**Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship – last reminder:** Come along and join Joshua Catholic men for fellowship and prayer on **Thursday 15 June** at 7:30pm in Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, Thorndon (behind Sacred Heart Cathedral). Speaker: Pauline Griffiths, a clinical psychologist on "*How have I responded to influences received from my parents*". For further information ring John Taylor 0-4-389-8915 / 021-107-8538 or email [jnitaylor@paradise.net.nz](mailto:jnitaylor@paradise.net.nz)

**Vigil for the Unborn:** Saturday **17 June**, St Anne's Catholic Church, Emmett Street, Newtown, 10 am Mass, followed by Exposition and Rosary Procession to front of Hospital. Ends at noon with a shared lunch. Come and pray in reparation, bringing comfort to the Heart of Jesus, to whom the unborn and their families belong. For more information contact Family Life International NZ Tel: 237 8343

**Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women** warmly invites all women to gather for their monthly meeting at Connolly Hall on Saturday **June 17** at 1.15pm. Stella Wadsworth, our speaker, will share on our theme "*Hearing the Voice of God*" and our scripture, Genesis 3:8-9.

**The Family and Young Church Vacariate** warmly invite all young adults to *The Rising Tide - The Growing Elephant in the Room: Gender and Sexuality*. This night will be a discussion based around the Catholic response to a changing world view about gender and sexual identity. Doors open at 6.30pm, **Monday 19 June** at The Catholic Centre, 22-30 Hill Street, Thorndon.

**Catholic Lawyers:** The St Thomas More Society is holding its annual Mass in Sacred Heart Cathedral Chapel at 5.45pm on Thursday, **22 June** with the annual dinner to follow at the Wellington Club. All Catholic lawyers and law students are invited to attend. Anyone interested and for further details please email [pam.churchman@barristerscomm.com](mailto:pam.churchman@barristerscomm.com) or phone Pam on 914 1050 by 15 June.

**Christian Meditation:** A day of reflection will be held in the Home of Compassion, Island Bay on Saturday **24 June** from 10 am to 3 pm. Please bring lunch and a donation to defray expenses. Tea and coffee provided. All welcome. Enquiries to Sister Sue Cosgrove [sr.sue@compassion.org.nz](mailto:sr.sue@compassion.org.nz)

**Pā Maria Marist Spirituality Centre** 78 Hobson Street, Thorndon **re-scheduled events**. Because of refurbishment work, events in July have been postponed. New dates are: *Non-Residential Guided Retreat: "Companions on the Journey"* August 14-18, 9.30am-4.00pm each day. \$200. Places available. **Winter Film Series: "Called Beyond Ourselves"**. 5 Evenings, 7.00pm-9.30pm. Places available for the following Seasons: Wednesdays 9, 16, 23, 30 August and 6 September or Thursdays 10, 17, 24, 31 August and 7 September. Kōha. For further information and/or to register please contact Fr Brian Cummings SM: phone (04) 212 4691 or 021 703 580 or email [bgcumplings@xtra.co.nz](mailto:bgcumplings@xtra.co.nz)