



The Cathedral Connection



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TO GIVE THANKS

The readings for this Sunday's lectionary remind us to focus on firstly God's power to heal and also our right response is shaped by gratitude.

The two readings from the lectionary for this Sunday highlight healing from leprosy. The healing story in today's Gospel is unique to Luke. Though we may have only a vague understanding what was actually termed leprosy in Jesus' time, it was required for those suffering from this condition to stay outside the regular camp where the people of Israel dwelt. These lepers were also required to shout and so warn others away from them. In the Gospel they do shout seeking help from Jesus. They cry out, "have mercy" similar to what we heard just a couple of weeks ago when the rich man asked the same of Abraham (Luke 16:24). Their deep desire for healing was heeded to by Jesus.

Secondly, though all lepers were made clean only one returned in gratitude praising God and the fact was this person was a Samaritan and thereby an "outcast". He is made an example of what was only appropriate for one being healed to have done viz. praising and giving thanks to God. A concrete manner of going about this as Catholics is a meaningful participation at the Eucharist. 'Eucharist' itself comes from Greek *eucharistein* which means "to give thanks".

There are many blessings though not as dramatic as a healing from leprosy. However, it is worthwhile to take some moments especially at the end of the day to recount those blessings and give the Lord thanks. Keeping a 'gratitude journal' to pen down our reflections may be a concrete step to grow in the virtue of gratitude. Melody Beattie has a beautiful quote which I would like to close with:

Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend. It turns problems into gifts, failures into successes, the unexpected into perfect timing, and mistakes into important events. It can turn an existence into a real life, and disconnected situations into important and beneficial lessons. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow. Gratitude makes things right.

Fr Alliston



Readings For The Week

Sunday 9th – Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Kings 5:14-17; 2 Timothy 2:8-13; Luke 17:11-19

Monday 10th – Galatians 4:22-24,26-27,31-5:1; Luke 11:29-32

Tuesday 11th – Galatians 5:1-6; Luke 11-37:41

Wednesday 12th – Galatians 5:18-25; Luke 11:42-46

Thursday 13th - Ephesians 1:1-10; Luke 11:47-54

Friday 14th – Ephesians 1:11-14; Luke 12:1-7

Saturday 15th – Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 12:8-12

Sunday 16th – Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Exodus 17:8-13; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2; Luke 18:1-8

OUR MISSION & VISION

To joyfully share God's love. To be a missionary people united in the hearts of Jesus and Mary



METROPOLITAN CATHEDRAL
OF THE SACRED HEART

Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish is a partner in the Wellington Central Pastoral Area with St. Mary of the Angels (CBD), and the Catholic Parish of Otari (Wilton and Karori)

"Serving means caring ... for the vulnerable of our families, our society, our people"

Pope Francis, [Homily in Havana](#), 2015

YOUR PARISH NOTICES AND EVENTS

Divine Mercy Devotions - Sunday 6pm-6:30pm in the Connolly Hall Chapel. All welcome.

Rosary - Every Monday (except Public Holidays) from 11.30am in our Connolly Hall Chapel, all welcome.

Scripture Reflection - Every Tuesday evening from 5pm-5.30pm there is an opportunity to be nourished by the Word of God, coming together in an online Zoom gathering. All are welcome. <https://tinyurl.com/3xhax96d> Meeting ID: 848 2624 7342 Passcode: 404496

Sacred Heart Cathedral Prayer Group - We meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month in Connolly Hall Chapel from 7.30pm-9pm. All are welcome.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday



Every Thursday from 7.00am until 7.00pm at Connolly Hall. Please contact Sr. Marie Gore if you would like to participate on a regular basis and commit to one hour, or just pop in for a visit for a few minutes. mariegore023@gmail.com

New to this parish? Nau Mai Haere Mai - Welcome

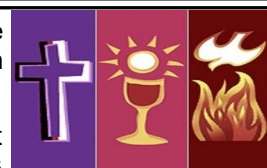
If you would like to become a member of our parish or know more about us then please complete the form at: <https://mcshwellington.org/join-the-parish/> or contact the parish office Ph. 496 1700 **You and your parish working together.**

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2022/23

Children's Sacramental Programme 2022/23 - Registration is now open for the 2022/23 programme which begins with **CONFIRMATION** this coming Term 4 followed by **FIRST RECONCILIATION** in Term 1 and **HOLY COMMUNION** in Term 2 of 2023.

For your child to be eligible, he/she must already be baptised and be at least 8 years old. The first part of the parent's session is on 18 October 2022 and the second part is on 27 October, both parts start at 7.00pm and will be held at St Thomas More Church in Wilton.

For registration and/or further enquiries, please contact Geraldine mcsh.sacramentalprogramme@gmail.com or the parish office at cathedral.parish@wn.catholic.org.nz



SCRIPTURE WORKSHOP

SCRIPTURE / THE BIBLE

The Bible allows Christians to access the foundations of their faith; therefore, it is essential to Christians. The Bible is filled with words of love, affirmation, hope, peace, strength and goodness. If you want to experience Christ living in us, God's word must be implanted in us. The more we feed on the Word of God, the more we will grow. God's word has the power to transform our lives! Its teachings will radically change our thinking and our lifestyle.

Are you ready to be transformed?

Come and join us for our second **FORMATION NIGHT** on **Wednesday, 19 October 2022, from 7 pm to 8 pm at Connolly Hall** to learn more about **SCRIPTURE/THE BIBLE**.

For more information, please contact cathedral.parish@wn.catholic.org.nz

PARISH OFFICE TIMES

Due to staff commitments the Parish Office will be **CLOSED** on **Tuesday 11 and Wednesday 12 October**. For urgent matters please contact **Fr Ron** on **021 065 8997**.

The parish office will reopen as normal from Thursday 13 October.

CATHEDRAL PROJECT FUNDRAISERS

BAKE SALE

MCSH Earthquake Strengthening Fundraiser



15 & 16 October 2022
Please Bring Cash

After:

5:30pm Mass at St Teresa's Church, Karori
5:30pm Mass at St Thomas More, Wilton
9:00am Mass at St Thomas More, Wilton
10:30am Mass at St Thomas More, Wilton
7:00pm Mass at Cathedral Chapel, Connolly Hall, Thorndon

E-WASTE RECYCLING DROP OFF DAY

Saturday 29 October 2022
9am-2pm

Postponement Day:
Sat 5 Nov St. Mary's College (Netball Courts)
Hawkestone Street Entrance
Contact: Joy Nagrampa 021 633 225

mcsh.march22art@gmail.com



COVID, COLDS, AND FLU

Although Covid case numbers are dropping rapidly, it is as well to remember that we still need to be careful of our own health and that of each other. The current variants of Covid are not to be viewed lightly, and we are still in the season of winter colds and influenza. All are contagious, and all are easily passed on.

So, as well as the measures which we continue to take as we gather for Mass and other events, please remember: if you are not well, PLEASE STAY HOME. And if you should find yourself with a coughing or sneezing fit at Mass or a meeting, please step out of the gathering, at least until you're ok. We all want to be as safe as possible.

SUPPORT LIFE SUNDAY

9 Oct 2022 | Liturgical Year- **You are not alone: Accompanying and caring for people living with mental illness**

On the twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary time we consider ways we can accompany and care for those living with mental illness. The scriptures for this Sunday give an ideal foundation to our 2022 national focus. St Pope John Paul II noted that **"Whoever suffers from mental illness 'always' bears God's image and likeness in Godself, as does every human being. In addition, each human 'always' has the inalienable right not only to be considered as an image of God and therefore as a person, but also to be treated as such."**(1996) <https://www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/support-life-sunday-2022-you-are-not-alone/>

Resources available online here and include PowerPoint slides with reflections:

[Support Life Sunday | Archdiocese of Wellington \(catholic.org.nz\)](https://www.catholic.org.nz/support-life-sunday)



HEALING SERVICE
with Fr. John Rea SM

THURSDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2022 | 7:30 PM
at **ST TERESA'S PRO-CATHEDRAL CHURCH**
301 KARORI ROAD - KARORI

All Welcome

Contact
Melissa Braganza | Phone: 022 389 7460 | Email: mellissabraganza7@gmail.com

TUĀKANA GAP YEAR PROGRAMME 2023

Applications for the Archdiocese's Tuākana Programme 2023 are now open! If you know any amazing young Catholics within your Parishes or communities who are looking for a new opportunity, please encourage them to apply!

To apply and for a copy of the job description, visit:

<https://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/tuakana-application-form/>

Contact Louise at youth@wn.catholic.org.nz for more information.



Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is holding a free online event, "No hope in hell: How a real

Gospel view of the afterlife can make us better missionaries" on Thursday 13 October at 6:30-8:00pm via Zoom.

The speaker is Cameron Surrey of the Auckland Catholic Tertiary Chaplaincy. Come along with your whanau and friends.

Register for free at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84624920000?pwd=ZlZkdzsvH9Eu8vW8t9BLNz7ZvTkGFOM>

WelCom

The latest WelCom is now available in your Church Foyer
Contents for October WelCom include:

- Ordination to the priesthood of Fr Alfred Tong of the Archdiocese of Wellington.
- NZ Catholic bishops pay tributes to the late HM Queen Elizabeth II.
- Support Life Sunday, 9 October.
- NZ Catholic bishops' new guidelines for the country's 235 Catholic schools to support young people with regard to sexual diversity.
- Cardinal John Dew reflects on the Curia after his August meeting with cardinals in Rome.
- Feature about the reality of life today in Afghanistan a year on since the fall of Kabul.
- Hiko Whakapono – Journey of Faith, The Catholic Parish of Otari, Wellington.
- October: month of the Rosary; and Mission month.
- Plus, more features, local and international news and views, Young Church.

SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL PARISH

Please keep in your prayers

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Parish Pastoral Leadership Team

- Debbie Matheson: **Parish Leader / Lay Pastoral Leader**
- Fr Ron Bennett: **Parish Moderator**
- Fr Alliston Fernandes

Music Coordinator/Leader:

Appointment pending

Secretary:

Frank Doherty

Office Hours:

10.00 am - 4.30 pm Tues, Thurs, Fri.

Parish Council Chair:

Randy Reyes

Sacred Heart Cathedral School

Guildford Tce, Thorndon

Ph: 472 4047

Principal: Bernadette Murfitt

DRS: John Grevatt

If you would like your child to attend Sacred Heart Cathedral School please download an enrolment form

<https://sacred-heart.school.nz/enrolment/>

MASS TIMES

Weekdays

(Except Public Holidays)

All held in the Connolly Hall Chapel

8.00am Tuesday to Friday

12.10pm Monday (Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion)

12.10pm Tuesday to Friday

Saturday

8.30am: Connolly Hall Chapel

5.30pm (Vigil for Sunday):

St Thomas More, Wilton

Sunday

10.30am: St Thomas More, Wilton

7.00pm: Connolly Hall, Chapel, Thorndon

Reconciliation: by appointment.

Baptism: by appointment. Please contact Parish office.



The latest edition of our parish school newsletter is available at <https://sacredhcs.schoolzineplus.com/schoolnews?nid=188>

Brian Dunn
Gabrielle McLeavey



Nicholas & Thomas Dyne
(Graham & Rosaleen Taylor's grandsons)



Marie Byrne

June Swain

Mass offered for

Jodi Woodcock RIP
29 Sept 2022
Nephew of Fr James Lyons



Paul 'Budgie' Jacobsen RIP
4 Oct 2022
Husband of Lynn

Anniversaries

Joseph Claude Fernando - 4 Oct

For all the dead. Those near and dear to us and those who have no one to pray for them.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

thankfulness

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus cured ten lepers. Leprosy is a horrible disease that eats away at a person's body until they die. It was pretty amazing for those people when Jesus just told them to go and show themselves to the priests and they realized that they were cured!



But then something interesting happened. Only one of the ten who had been cured came back to say 'Thank you' to Jesus. Do you think that the other nine were not happy that they were better? Why do you think they didn't come back to thank Jesus?

THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME RECEIVE YOU!



Now think about your life. You've probably never had a disease like leprosy, but God has still done amazing things for you. He made you and gave you everything you need to live. He gave you your friends and family, and most especially He gives Himself to us in the Mass and at Holy Communion.

Do you remember to say 'Thank you' to God?

Answers to True or False: 1.true 2.false 3.true 4.false 5.false 6.true 7.true

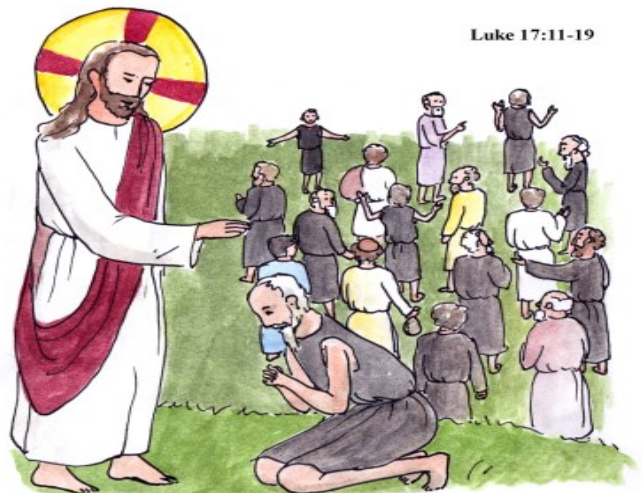
www.thekidsbulletin.com

The Kids' Bulletin

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 9th, 2022

How many lepers walked away without saying 'Thank you' when Jesus healed them?

Luke 17:11-19



Count how many of the people who are walking away are wearing dark grey clothes.