

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Listening to Trees

How can we picture God’s kingdom? What kind of story can we use? It’s like a pine nut. When it lands on the ground it is quite small as seeds go, yet once it is planted it grows into a huge pine tree with thick branches. Birds nest in it.

If you wanted to reduce the teachings of Jesus to a single theme, you might not do better than to focus on the kingdom of God. “The kingdom” isn’t a fairytale place of castles and royal courts. The reign of God, as some translators phrase it, is a matter of allegiance more than geography. We don’t move to “kingdom come” when we die. We reside there in the here and now if we choose God’s way over our way in every decision.

Jesus compares the kingdom to a tiny seed hidden in the ground: small, obscure, seemingly without relationship to anything but its secret self. But kingdom seed will emerge to become its own universe of roots and branches, connecting earth and sky and all of life together. What seemed irrelevant becomes paramount. What was unseen emerges as dominant against the horizon. Is it so impossible to imagine that one day, everything we can hold in our hands will become worthless? And that invisible things like truth, goodness, faith, love, hope and justice will become the only things that matter?

With many stories like these, he presented his message to them, fitting the stories to their experience and maturity. He was never without a story when he spoke. When he was alone with his disciples, he went over everything, sorting out the tangles, untying the knots.

**How do you invest in the kingdom today?
What seeds are you sowing now for the harvest to come?**

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ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B

17TH JUNE 2018

MASS: Saturday 5.00pm
 Sunday 9.30am
 Monday to Friday 7.00am & Fridays 7.30 p.m.
 Saturday 8.00am

The Holy Rosary

Is prayer before Mass Daily

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 9-9.30am

Mass for Sick & Elderly – 24th June at 12.00 noon

1st Friday Mass – 6th July 2018

Tamil Mass 7th July 6:30 pm./ Fijian Mass 8th JULY, 2018 at 2:00 pm

Day	Ministers of the Word	Ministers of the Eucharist	Altar Servers	Cleaners
Saturday 16th June 2018 5:00 p.m.	Royston D’Lima Iva Baretto	Nola Paku Margaret Koay Annie Lim Rosalie Su’a Wilfred Mascarehnas	Marika Dalia Matthew Leander Nelisa	Indian Community
Sunday 17th June 2018 9:30 a.m.	Indian Community	Frances Faapoi Malia Falemaka Bro. Micheal Goh Agnes Schaaf Alisi Otafungavalu	Emmanuela Paje Jared Greta Gloria	
Rosters for Next Week				
Saturday 23rd June 2018 5:00 p.m.	Charmaine Jones Kenneth Mascarehnas	Mathias Gomes Diana Gomes Dwain Quadros Amanda Saldhana Cynthia Mascarehnas	Kevin Jared Chiara Anstan Adele	Samoan Community
Sunday 24th June 2018 9:30 a.m.	Samoan Community	Monica Austin Blanche D’Cunhna Bro. Micheal Goh Doreen Braganza	Leander Paje Gloria Raelyn	

Please Recite after Holy Communion

Priestly/Religious Vocations

Father, in your plan for our salvation you provide shepherds for your people. Fill your Church with the spirit of courage and love. Raise up worthy ministers for your altars and ardent but gentle servants of the gospel

Liturgy of the Word- Sunday 17th June, 2018

First Reading Ezekiel 17:22-24

Psalm 92 p. 99

Second Reading 2Corinthians 5:6 -10

Gospel Mark 4:26-34

Liturgy of the Word- Sunday 24th June, 2018

First Reading Isaiah 49:1-6

Psalm 71 pg 77

Second Reading Acts 13:22-26/2Corinthians 5:6 -10

Gospel Luke 1:57-66

Sunday Offering for 10th June 2018

1st Collection: \$ 413

2nd Collection: \$ 827.60

Thank You for your generosity

Prayers For The Sick

Jesus the Healer, we commend to your gentle hands those who are sick:

Purvashree Pai e Souza Fr. Albert Williams, Michael Brady, Regina Lee, Gloria Cruz, Monique Simon, Emily Matthews, Ali Ahmed, Ana Hiliate, Mafi Lelea, Rosemary Cannon, Jenny Toh, Leo Zigliani, Peter McConnel, Anamalia Vakameilalo, Vyga Sanu, Tuala Akeli, Tafu Tuala, Anna Maria Coelho, Irene Makanga, Elena Roman, Siosianna Tuli, Po'e Heather, Neil Almeida, Philomena Stevens, Telesia Folaumahina, Babs Lyons, & Shirley Mathews

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially:

Fili Otofanguvala, Virginia Faye Perelini Nibert Coutinho, Gladys Lopez, Philomena Pinto, Bradley, Betty Drinnan, Wenceslaus Anthony, Jacob Saldanha, Peter R. Drinnan, Ngaire, Wim Bolscher, Finau Schaaf, Betty Coutinho, OlaDevit, Lila Vaiaoga, Rev. Msgr. Lui Tevaga, Carmeline D'cruz, Diego Coelho, Percy Nazareth, Mele Toloa, Felix Giborees, Rosy Vaz, Jerome Aranha,

Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord, let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

St Therese Parish News

On the 22nd of June, Fr. Arul will be celebrating his 57th Birthday, We would like to wish him a very Happy and Blessed Birthday. May God Bless Him abundantly for all the good work he is doing for us his parishioners and everyone who comes to him

Tax Rebate Receipts

Please collect your Tax Rebate Receipts placed at the entrance of the church..

EASTER BLESSING

Fr Arul has started the Easter Blessing of houses from 4th April 2018. All parishioners are requested to fill in the form and deposit it in the box marked 'HOUSE BLESSING' placed at the entrance to the church.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion classes are conducted every Saturday from 3:15 to 4:45 p.m.

Meetings

PPC Meeting 1st July 2018 at 7:15
Fundraising committee meeting 3rd July 2018
Liturgy committee meeting 8th Aug. 2018 at 7.15 pm
Finance Committee meeting on 26th July, 2018 at 7:30 pm

Friday Eucharistic Adoration

A 12 hour Eucharist Adoration will be held at St. Therese Parish **every Friday** from 7:30 a.m. till 7:30 p.m. until the 1st week of Advent, i.e. 2nd December, 2018.

Mass for the Sick on 24th June, 2018 at 12:00 noon

A special Mass is held every 4th Sunday of the month for the Sick and Elderly. The mass is at 12.00 noon. Anointing of the sick is held during the mass

The Holy Angels Choir

The Holy Angels group under Shalini Dias meet every Sunday at 3:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Outreach Initiative – Auckland City Mission

'One Can – Two Can' Appeal

The City Mission Can Collection Appeal this winter runs from Saturday 19th May to Friday 29th June. We rely on and appreciate your generosity.

Divine Mercy

Every Friday at 7.00 pm we have the singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction followed by Mass.

MARRIED COUPLES:

Revitalise and enrich your intimacy, love and romance in your marriage. Attend the MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND –13-15 July at Mt Richmond Hotel Mt Wellington
– BOOK NOW! – Phone 0800-362686 or Christine & David Sloan 372-3581
or Email: david.christinesloan@gmail.com

NZ CATHOLIC

The June 17 – 30

Jesus ordained in Christchurch.
Daughter of modern saint to visit NZ.
Child forgoes birthday gifts to help Wgtn cathedral.
Migrant communities fear for kids in secular NZ.



Pope Francis describes the signs of holiness in today's world:

Perseverance: This is a source of inner strength which enables us to carry on amid life's ups and downs. Those who show perseverance, with the help of God's grace, do not desert others in bad times, but accompany them.

Choral Vigil Mass for the Nativity of St John the Baptist

Come celebrate the Vigil Mass Saturday 23 June at 7.30 pm here at the Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph, 43 Wyndham Street.
With the Vocal Ensemble directed by James Tibbles.
Validated parking will be available at the Wilson car parks on Durham Lane (\$2) and Hobson Street (\$4).
Please bring your ticket with you to validate in the Cathedral.

½ day Anniversary Workshop for couples married 1-5 years

An opportunity to take time out from the busyness of life to nurture your marriage and revisit key areas of relationship - Intimacy, Communication & Conflict
Course Leaders: Loretta and John Carroll
Date: Sunday 5 August 2018
Time: 1.00pm-4.30pm
Venue: Pompallier Centre, 30 New Street, St Mary's Bay
Cost: \$20.00 per couple
To register please email Sandra Armstrong, Marriage Programmes Coordinator. sandraa@cda.org.nz

CARITAS As Pope Francis said, "embrace all those fleeing from war and hunger, or forced by discrimination, persecution, poverty and environmental degradation to leave their homelands." The Rohingya are an example of his message.

Caritas invites you to stand in solidarity with the Rohingya by supporting our emergency appeal. Right now, each donation is doubled (up to \$250,000) by the New Zealand Aid Programme. To give call 0800 22 10 22 or go online to www.caritas.org.nz/donate.

DRCNZ – MISSION IN AUCKLAND

Brother Fritz Mascarenhas, preacher from Divine Retreat Centre (Potta) India, now based in Wellington will be conducting One Day Mission on 24TH June from 1 to 6.00p.m. at St John Vianney Church, Hillsborough.
Preaching, Holy Mass and Adoration.
No registration required. For more details visit our website: drcnewzealand.org

Mercy Spirituality Centre.

- INTERFAITH Event: ABRAHAM – A Connecting Ancestor in Faith with the Interfaith Community. Tues 26 June, 7-9pm. Koha/Donation. Key note speakers for the Abrahamic event will be: Fr Kevin Waldie SM (Christian), Imaam Mohamed Shaakir (Muslim), Paul Wilton (Jewish). The main focus will be on connecting with each other and becoming neighbours.
- Living our Christian FAITH through Social JUSTICE Thursday's 10-12 noon 28 June – 19 July. \$15 each or 4 for \$50 incl. Morning tea. Register before 20 June. 28 June "...People who made a difference" MARY BETZ, 5 July "...Paris agreement (Sustainable Development Goals)" BRIDGET CRISP rsm, 12 July "...Catholic Social Teaching, Reflecting Christ through Social teaching" LYN SMITH, 19 July "Social Justice and ...the Treaty Relationship" SUSAN HEALY. See our website for more details. Bookings essential. 104 The Drive, Epsom. Ph. 638 6238 or info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz

St Therese School News