

Pray for the Sick: Adrian Anderson, Patrice Barron, George Cook, Joe & Christine Cuminsky, Ross Fleming, Chris Julian, Namfon Julian, Bridie Keenan, Jacqueline Lawn, Lies Lemmen, Gerard Lucca, Beth Melton, Marie Nelson, Mary P, Beatrice Peeters, Ralph Phillips, Sonya Phillips, Ashley Price, Gary Schellack, Hildegard Schiebel, Garth Stewart.

In Remembrance: 12th Josie Wech, Ellen Hilley, Betty Kirkpatrick 13th Iraihi Paul, Betty Hayward, Bishop Barry Jones 14th June McCarthy 15th Mary Straka, Walter Nicholls 16th Jeanette Wech 17th Ben Straka (birthday), Annie Schischka
We invite you to place the names of your family & friends into our Lenten Prayer Intentions boxes under our church altars.

A warm welcome to any new parishioners Please complete a parish Enrolment Form on the table in the foyer, or complete and send the form on our website.

MEN'S BREAKFAST Join us for the next Men's Breakfast on Saturday 24th February, at 7.30 am in the Parish Hall.

Please contact Fr Brian if you need or you know of someone who would like a Home Visit – communion and reconciliation to the sick and housebound.

Alpha Your Parish contact: Teresa Mob: 0212342464 or teresah57@icloud.com

Warkworth Combined Churches Foodlink Telephone: 425 8861, 5 Pulham Road, Warkworth. Email: reception@mahu.org.nz. Collection baskets are in the foyers of our churches for food and grocery items
To donate directly to Foodlink: Mahu Vision Community ANZ 01-0482-0005321-11

Warkworth Homebuilders: is an organisation working in North Rodney dedicated to helping local families by walking them through hard times. (09) 425 7048

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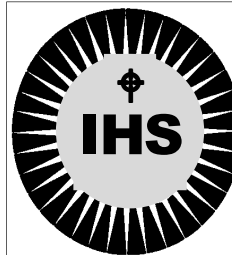
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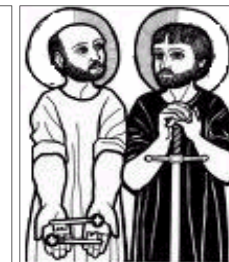
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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
11th February 2024

World Day of Prayer for the Sick
Theme: Cure of the Leper

1st Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2,45-46 **Psalm:** 32

2nd Reading: 1Corinthians 10:31-1:1

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

Sunday 11th 8.30 am Puhoi
10.30 am Ww

Blessing & Installation of the Parish Pastoral Council during 10.30 am Mass
Morning Tea Parish hall after WW Mass

Monday 12th 9.00 am Ww

Tuesday 13th 5.15 pm Ww
World Marriage Day (Marriage Encounter)

Wednesday 14th 9.00 am Puhoi
Ash Wednesday
Stations of the Cross before Mass 8.30 am

Thursday 15th 9.00 am Ww
Stations of the Cross before Mass 8.30 am

Friday 16th 10.00 am Ww
Adoration after Mass

Saturday 17th 9.00 am Ww
Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
Vigil Mass – Youth led 6.00 pm Ww
Hearts Aflame Presentation & Youth Group in the Parish Hall after the Vigil Mass

First Sunday of Lent - 18th February 2024

1st Reading: Genesis 9:8-15 **Psalm:** 25

2nd Reading: 1Peter 3:18-22

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

Sunday 18th 8.30 am Puhoi
10.30 am Ww

Introduction

The readings for this Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time feature the nature of the human condition and the reality of disease. Someone or something is needed to remove what is not healthy in our lives. The Lord still reaches out to us and may we realize his healing touch in his redeeming light.

REFLECTION:

Jesus: the compassion of God.

Jesus shows us the compassion of God in the face of human suffering.

In the beautiful words of Oscar Wilde: 'Jesus understood the leprosy of the leper, the darkness of the blind, the fierce misery of those who live for pleasure, the strange poverty of the rich, and the thirst that can lead people to drink from muddy waters.'

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY, THE FIRST DAY OF LENT, 14TH OF FEBRUARY 2024.

First Reading: Joel 2:12-18.

Psalm: 51 p.60

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2.
Gospel, Matthew 6:1-6,16-18.

17th February Vigil Mass & music will be led by our Parish Youth and our talented young musicians. Before the final blessing Bennie Bukasa will give an account of her time at HeartsAFlame.

Want to know what happened at the Synod in October? Everyone is invited to join one of the two evening Zooms to hear Auckland Vicar for Māori Manuel Beazley, St Joseph's Levin parish Priest Fr Dennis Nacorda and Archbishop of Wellington Paul Martin, SM.

Register now to attend one of these special one-hour Zoom sessions:
Tuesday 13 February 7:30pm. Register here: <http://tinyurl.com/yc8c2s28>
Thursday 15 February 7:30pm. Register here: <http://tinyurl.com/4e2hnf9p>

DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN Our first gathering for 2024 will be on TUESDAY, 20th February, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Thomas More Catholic Church followed by cuppa. Come and join Catholic women to pray, praise and fellowship with one another. Phone Sylvia Hartley 021 088 22990 or email aldonsylvia@gmail.com

MONTHLY MEN'S BREAKFASTS 2024 Dear Men, It's time to gather again! We meet in the church hall early (7.30am) on the last Saturday of the month (*Easter Saturday excluded*) for a hearty breakfast, fellowship and to encourage each other as we strive to follow Christ, our model. We start with coffee and a cooked breakfast, then read/reflect on a Gospel passage, or listen to a guest speaker, then finish in prayer for each other's intentions. Fr Brian opens and closes the meetings in prayer for all the men and is always present to guide us. Father also makes himself available for the Sacrament of Confession during the breakfast and after 9am Mass. So, to ALL men, we invite YOU to grab this opportunity, rise early and join...for the best possible way to start your weekend! Feel free to invite a friend.

Timetable:

24 February: Topic: "Follow Me" : Making Jesus the Centre of our Lives: a teaching by Bishop Robert Barron:

Please bring your Bibles as we will study Luke Chapter 9, verses 57-62. Prepare to be challenged!

NOTE: For those who would like to work off some breakfast calories after Mass, we will have a short (1.5 hour) working bee, weeding and tidying the gardens, starting at 9.45. Please join if you can.

Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship (North Shore) Upcoming Meetings

Join a great group of Catholic guys who meet on the last Wednesday of every month at St Thomas More Church, 336 Wairau Rd, Glenfield. The program includes fellowship, uplifting Praise and Worship, an inspiring talk by a guest speaker to encourage us on our walk with the Lord, and a cup of tea and a bite to eat.

February Meeting Date and Start time: Wednesday 28 February at 7.15pm Guest Speaker: Fr Carl Telford SM will be speaking on "**Fostering a Strong Prayer Habit**"

Note: If you would like to attend please call/text Jerome on (027) 2334380 to arrange car-pooling. We currently have a full vehicle departing from Warkworth Holy Name Parish at 6.30pm every last Wednesday of the month. It would be great to fill a second.

SCRIPTURE NOTE:

First Reading (Leviticus 13:1-2,45-46). This describes how lepers were treated in biblical times. Leprosy was the ultimate uncleanness. Lepers were considered ritually unclean and were compelled to live apart from the community. It made the victim an outcast not only socially, but also in the religious sphere. Only when a leper had been pronounced cured and had undergone a purification rite, was he readmitted to the community. This prepares us for Jesus' encounter with a leper in the Gospel.

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1). Saint Paul urges us never to do anything offensive to anyone but to do everything for the glory of God.

Gospel (Mark 1:40-45). This tells of the cure of a leper by Jesus. Jesus broke through all the religious and social taboos and reached out a loving and healing hand to the leper. In this way Mark shows us how a Christian community should deal with sinners and people society rejects. Furthermore, a Christian is one who has been 'cleansed' by Christ in baptism, and who ought to spread the 'good news'.

In the Gospel we have an early instance of what scholars call Mark's 'messianic secret'. The 'messianic secret' has to do with the status of Jesus as Messiah and Son of God. Jesus seems to hide his identity because it can't be understood 'until the Son of man has risen from the dead' (9:9).

This year's convergence of **Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday** offers lessons about that long sought after four-letter word **LOVE**. On the one hand, Valentine's Day - a commercialised feast in memory of a mysterious Christian martyr, is a day devoted to chocolates, flowers, and the romantic love shared by couples. Ash Wednesday is the Christian entrance into Lent, a season of forty days devoted to prayer, abstinence, and almsgiving, all meant as spiritual preparation for Holy Week, which concludes with Good Friday and Easter. Ash Wednesday begins all this with a day of fasting, self-denial, and repentance. We humans, endowed with free will, are thus faced with a choice. It's one that we must make every day, and this year it's uniquely underscored on February 14th. We can love for our own ends, to satisfy our own limited and temporary desires or we can love and sacrifice for the greater good of the beloved and, ultimately and eternally, for our own sanctification and for the common good of all.

PARISH LENTEN OBSERVANCES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

- Monday, Wednesday & Thursday of LENT 8.30 am before 9.00 a.m. Morning Mass

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FRIDAYS - after 10.30 a.m. Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- Monday & Thursday from 8.00 a.m., finishing 15 minutes before the start of Mass.

- Friday after the morning Mass & Benediction

- Saturday after the morning Mass

- Saturday afternoon from 5.00 p.m. until 5.30 p.m.

- Sunday by appointment after 2.00 p.m.