

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

### A New Language

Language is a great tool of communication. If you are in a country where you are unable to speak the language, you feel lost. You have great difficulty in communicating with people. How happy are you when you finally meet someone who understands your language.

For the most part it is by means of words that human beings express their needs, laws, transactions, intentions, thoughts, emotions, longings, hopes, and creeds. Yet words are such elusive symbols. How rarely a simple statement conveys the same meaning to two people.

Language of itself is not enough to bring people together. In fact, as the Little Prince said, 'words are a source of misunderstanding'. Just because we use the same language doesn't mean we are one. There may still not be a meeting of minds and hearts.

But the opposite can happen too. People may speak different languages, they may be strangers to one another, yet a bond can be created among them, so they become not only comrades, but sisters and brothers. On the day of a great joy, or a great sorrow, or a great danger for a community or a country, differences of language are swept aside. We stand shoulder to shoulder. We find ourselves of one mind and one heart.

There are other ways of communicating besides words. So important are signs and symbols that perhaps only twenty percent of communication happens through words. Still, language is hugely important. We are told that on Pentecost day everyone understood the apostles. It wasn't that they spoke a completely new language. It was one all of us are familiar with but which, alas, we tend to forget or leave unused.

What was this new language? It was the language of peace rather than of war; the language of reconciliation rather than of conflict; the language of co-operation rather than competition; the language of forgiveness rather than of vengeance; the language of hope rather than of despair; the language of tolerance rather than of bigotry; the language of friendship rather than of hostility; the language of unity rather than of division; the language of love rather than of hate.

The '*new language*' gave rise to a new community, the community of those who believed in Jesus – a community of faith and love. According to the Acts of the Apostles, the first followers were '*one in mind and heart*'.

Through the gifts of the Spirit, people of many languages learned to profess the one faith, to the praise and glory of God. That is the real miracle of Pentecost. And it is a miracle which, thankfully, still happens

# ST THERESE PARISH



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### PENTECOST 04<sup>th</sup> June 2017

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

#### The Holy Rosary

Is prayed before Mass Daily  
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION  
 Saturdays 9-9.30am

**Mass for Sick & Elderly – 25<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 12.00 noon**

**1<sup>st</sup> Friday Mass – 7<sup>th</sup> July /Tamil Mass 1<sup>st</sup> July 7.00 pm**

**Samoan Mass 18<sup>th</sup> June 12.00 noon Tongan Mass 27<sup>th</sup> Aug 3.00 pm**

Day	Ministers of the Word	Ministers of the Eucharist	Altar Servers	Cleaners
<b>Saturday</b> <b>03<sup>rd</sup> June</b> <b>2017</b> <b>5.00pm</b>	Anita Castelino Melissa Castelino	Ferdinand Pinto Selma Pinto Cheryl Moan Brenna Castelino Michelle Carvalho		Parish Youth
<b>Sunday</b> <b>04<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>2017</b> <b>9.30am</b>	Parish Youth	Frederick Quadros Agnes Schaaf Blanche D'cunha Toilolo Otufangavalu Bro Michael Goh		

#### **Rosters for Next Week**

<b>Saturday</b> <b>10<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>2017</b> <b>5.00pm</b>	Lizanne Gomes Wilfred Mascarenhas	Mathias Gomes Diana Gomes Lazarus Serrao Adelia Serrao Cynthia Mascarenhas		Tongan Community
<b>Sunday</b> <b>11<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>2017</b> <b>9.30am</b>	Tongan Community	Luc Marie Telesia Alualu Monica Austin Xavier Braganza Bro Michael Goh		

## **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 04th June 2017**

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

Psalm 104 page 115

Second Reading 1Corinthians:12:3-7,12-13

Gospel: John 20:19-23

### **Liturgy of the Word- Sunday 11th June 2017**

First Reading: Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9

Psalm Daniel 3:52-57 page 172

Second Reading 2Corinthians:13:11-13

Gospel: John 3:16-18

### **Sunday Offering for 28th May 2017**

1<sup>st</sup> Collection: \$ 322.00

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: \$ 644.70

**Thank You for your generosity**

### **Prayers For The Sick**

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

Ali Ahmed, Ana Hiliate, Mafi Lelea, Rosemary Cannon, Jenny Toh, Leo Ziglani, Peter McConnel, Anamalia Vakameilalo, Fatima Rodrigues, Vyga Sanu, Tuala Akeli, Tafu Tuala, Anna Maria Coelho, Irene Makanga, Elena Roman, Betty Drinnan, Siosianna Tuli, Po'e Heather, Neil Almeida, Philomena Stevens, Fili Otufangavalu, Telesia Folaumahina, Babs (Bridgette) Lyons, Jacob Saldanha & Shirley Mathews..

### **Prayers for the Deceased**

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

Ngaire, Wim Bolscher, Finau Schaa, Betty Coutinho, , OlaDevit, Lila Vaiaoga, Rev. Msgr. Lui Tevaga, Wanda Nair, Carmeline D'cruz, Diego Coelho, Percy Nazareth, Mele Toloa, Felix Giborees, Rosy Vaz, Jerome Aranha, Basil Humphries Brand, Steven Ivan Ravlich.

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

# **St Therese Parish News**

**Queen's Birthday Morning Mass**  
**Parishioners are notified that morning mass on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017 will be celebrated at 8.00 am.**

### **Pledge Envelopes & Tax Receipts**

Please collect the Pledge Envelopes and Tax receipts placed at the entrance of the church. If you wish to have a set of pledge envelopes, please contact the parish office on 09-6209689 or st3kgs@xtra.co.nz. Thank you all for your generosity

### **EASTER BLESSING**

Fr Arul has started Easter Blessings from 19<sup>th</sup> April. Parishioners who wish their house to be blessed 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**

This year Children will receive First Holy Communion. Date will be announced soon. Children above 8 years who wish to receive the Sacrament are requested to fill in the forms placed at the entrance to the church and give it to the parish office. For queries contact Parish Office on 09-6209689

### **Meetings**

Parish Council meeting 4<sup>th</sup> June 2017 after the 9.30 am mass  
Finance committee meeting 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 7.30 pm

### **Friday Eucharistic Adoration**

Every Friday the Eucharistic Adoration will start after the 7.00 am mass and end at 7.00 pm. Fr Arul invites parishioners to spend some time before the Lord.

The adoration will end on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

If you are willing to pray at a particular time each Friday, please write your name on the schedule placed at the entrance to the Church.

### **Divine Mercy**

Devotional prayers every Friday at 7.00 pm with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, singing of Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction followed by Mass.

### **Reconciliation 28<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

Every 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month, Father will be available for the sacrament of reconciliation between 7.00 pm – 8 pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Reconciliation is also held every Saturday from 9.00-9.30 am

### **Legion of Mary**

Meeting every Thursday in the Meeting Room at 6.30 pm. Fr Arul is the Spiritual Director. New members are welcome. Please contact Fr Arul if you wish to join 'Legion of Mary

### **New hope with Faith Fellowship**

It is an informal gathering, a confidential sharing platform for the people who are hurt by the grief of separation, divorce and widowhood.

Thank you all for attending the First meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup> of May at the St Francis Retreat Centre, 50 Hillsborough Road. If you wish to participate in the next gathering on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at St Therese Parish Office, 4-6pm, please contact Dr Reesa on Mobile 0211612994. (Please leave a text message if the call is not attended) or Father Arul on 09-6209689

### **St John Paul II Auckland Rosary**

Every Saturday at 12.00 noon a 20 decade rosary is prayed in our church

### **Mass for the Sick & Elderly – 25<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 12.00 noon**

A special Mass is held every 4<sup>th</sup> 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

## **Youth News**

### **World Youth Day Auckland Experience**

Registrations are now open for groups and individuals attending World Youth Day Auckland Experience 2017, as well as for volunteers! WYDAK17 will be held on the weekend of 15 and 16 July, with regional events happening on the Saturday, and prayer, the pilgrim walk and an exciting programme happening on the Sunday! Visit our [website](http://www.wyda.org.nz) to register, or contact Rochelle ([rochelled@cda.org.nz](mailto:rochelled@cda.org.nz)). Watch our [promo video on Facebook](#) to find out more info (and to catch an Oscar-winning performance by one of our very own team members...!)

## **Auckland Catholic Diocese News**

### **NZ CATHOLIC**

**04 June – 17 June, 2017 Issue**

**Headlines and a few of the topics**

- Pope Francis meets President Trump.
- New national structure for youth ministry.
- Living wage & Easter trading topics at hui

**The Newspaper is at the entrance of the church**

### **Guitars Wanted**

Catholic Prison Chaplains are looking for spare guitars for use in their prison guitar groups.

If you are able to donate a used or unwanted acoustic guitar please drop it off to our Parish Office or it can be collected by Catholic Social Services.

Phone: Emma or Maryanne on 09 378 9650 or

Email: [reception@cssauckland.org.nz](mailto:reception@cssauckland.org.nz)

### **Time Out Day**

### **Day of Prayer and Reflection**

Date: 06 Sept 2017 (9.30 am – 2.30 pm)

Venue: St Francis Retreat Centre,  
50 Hillsborough Road, Mt Roskill, Auckland

Cost: \$30 (Lunch and GST inclusive)

Please contact us at 09-6256651

### **24-Hours Silent Retreat**

Date: 15 – 16 Sept 2017 (Friday 7pm – Saturday 7pm)

Venue: St Francis Retreat Centre

50 Hillsborough Road, Mt Roskill, Auckland.

Cost: \$115 (all inclusive).

Please contact us at 09-625 6651

### **Mercy Spirituality Centre**

104 The Drive, Epsom Ph. 638 6238

**LECTIO DIVINA every Tuesday Evening** (in chapel) with CATHRYN WILES-PICKARD rsm 7-8pm. Koha/Donation

**ENNEAGRAM UNIT 2** (a couple of places left) with MARIE CORBETT Sat 10 June 9.30am-4.30pm. \$60

**HEALTH IN OLDER AGE – HOURING THE LATER YEARS** with MARGI MONTAGU-FRYER and CATHRYN WILES-PICKARD rsm Wed 14 June, 10am-3.30pm. \$35.

**FLAX WEAVING** with DONNA TE TAI Thursdays 15 & 29 June, 7-9pm. \$15 each session

Bookings essential. Ph. 638 6238 or [info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz](mailto:info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz) or [www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz](http://www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz)



Let yourself be disturbed by the Holy Spirit: 'Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you on the path of everyday life. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you the grace to distinguish good from less good, because it is easy to distinguish good from evil' Pope Francis said. (May 29, 2017)

## **St. Therese School**

### **Dates for your diary**

25<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – School /Parish Community Mass  
Volunteers needed for Breakfast Club – Monday – Friday @ 7.30 – 8.30am. Please consider helping us as it is so beneficial for the children

The school is taking enrolments for all year groups. Please contact the office on 620 9441 if you have a child due to start school soon or if you would like further information about us.