

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH TIMARU & ST PATRICK'S PARISH WAIMATE

Sacred Heart Basilica  
7 Craigie Avenue  
Timaru



St Thomas' Church  
12 Mountain View Road  
Timaru

St Patrick's Parish  
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Waimate



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8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

3 March 2019

## Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday, 6 March.

Ash Wednesday is a traditionally a day of penance / fasting and abstinence from meat.



### Timaru:

**Masses:** 9.00am and 12.10pm.

**Combined Catholic-Anglican Ash Wednesday Service** at St Mary's Church, 7.00pm; followed by supper.

### Waimate

**Combined Catholic-Anglican Ash Wednesday Service** at St Patrick's, 11.00am; followed by a finger-food lunch.

**Mass:** 5.30pm

**Thursday Masses recommence in Waimate** this Thursday, 7 March, 9.30am.

## LENTEN PROGRAMME

**Caritas Lenten Appeal:** envelopes are available. The money collected from this annual appeal is used in the Church's relief, aid and development work. Please take an envelope from the table in the foyer.

**Pope Francis** begins his message for Lent emphasising that Lent is a JOYFUL season. Let's remember too that the word *Lent* comes from the old English "Spring-time". While Lent does coincide with the season of spring in the Northern Hemisphere, it's different for us here in New Zealand where autumn is just round the corner.



The spring-time thought helps us to appreciate Lent. Think of new life, a time of growth, and signs of hope after a cold and dark hibernation.

Pope Francis continues his message with a focus on the dark struggle of sin: *'he mentality expressed in the slogans', 'I want it all and I want it now!' and "Too much is never enough."* But the mature person realises that all their plans and efforts are powerless to deliver the depth of happiness we seek in life.

Pope Francis concludes his message with an invitation: *"Let us not allow this Lenten season of grace to pass in vain! Let us ask God to help us set out on a path of true conversion. Let us leave behind our selfishness and self-absorption, and turn to Jesus."*

### From Fr Brian

There has been more activity around the Sacred Heart Site during the past week. The Earthquake Strengthening Process has begun.

There are a lot of fences about the Sacred Heart site. Access to the presbytery is via the back car-park and following a path to the front door.

Last week, Colin Sutherland - overall manager from the Diocesan Office met with Parish, Roncalli & Lund's representatives.

Some of the 'things' discussed were:

- Nick Anderson will be the photographic recorder for the Project - recording for archives / publicity / future fundraising the major work on the Basilica.

\* Health & Safety issues for the temporary drive at the back of the Sacred Heart Presbytery - as it's the only access to the Site; the drive needs a H & S Plan for Roncalli College & the Parish.

- The organ will have some repairs as well as be sealed during the Project.

**Chairperson Parish Council:** Gary Shand,

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## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR CHILDREN.

Lord Jesus, thank you that you take children into your arms and bless them. May every child know the deep peace and love of being held close to you.

We especially ask you to protect all unborn children who are impoverished, neglected and abused. May we your people, open our hearts to bring compassion into their lives. Help us to support and encourage families and communities in the love and protection of their children.

May children everywhere grow up feeling accepted, safe and loved. Amen.



**DIARY:**

Sunday 3 March

**CUPPA** (quick) after 9.00am Mass today.

**FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME in Waimate** starts after Mass in the Mary MacKillop Centre.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** Children will be presented with their Bible at 9.00am and 10.30am Masses.

Monday 4 March

**EUCHRE** in St Thomas' Lounge 1.30pm. All welcome.

**ROSARY** group meet in St Thomas' Church 4.00pm.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL** Sacred Heart Conference meet in Sacred Heart Centre 4.45pm.

**MEN'S GROUP** meet in St Thomas' Lounge 7.30pm.

All men welcome.

Tuesday 5 March

**MAINLY MUSIC** 9.30am St Thomas' Lounge.

**EUCHRE** Sacred Heart Centre, Napier St, 1.30pm. Raffle & afternoon tea. All players welcome old and new.

**MARIAN MOVEMENT** meet in St Thomas' Chapel 2.p.m.

Wednesday 6 March

**NOVENA: OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP AND DIVINE MERCY** will be held in Sacred Heart Centre downstairs at 6.00pm All welcome.

Thursday 7 March

The **Monthly Ecumenical Service**, 11.00am at Mountain View Village will be led by Fr Brian.

Friday 8 March

**PRAYER GROUP** meet in St Thomas' Lounge 10.00am.

Sunday 10 March

**CUPPA** after 10.30am Mass in St Thomas Lounge.

**FRIENDSHIP GROUP** meet RSA for lunch at 12 midday. All welcome please ring Norah with numbers on 6883729

**An Invitation:** Set aside five minutes each morning and evening of Lent to sit in stillness and silence, aware of your need for Jesus and asking that he will keep you aware of his loving presence with you every moment.

Last week I notified in the newsletter that parishioners working, on a voluntary basis, with children or the elderly will need to be **Police Vetted**. I have now received Police Vetting Forms from the Diocesan Office.

On the vetting form the name of Approved Agency at the top of page is: **Catholic Diocese of Christchurch, Catholic Parish of Timaru Trust**

**CUSHIONS** are stacked at either side as you enter St Thomas' Church. If required please take one as you enter and then place it back on the stack as you leave.

**THE DUTCH NIGHTINGALES YOUTH CHOIR:** Special lunch time concert on Wednesday 6 March, 12.30pm at St Mary's Church, 24 Church Street. Gold coin Donation.

**OBERRAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY 2020**

Fr Chris Friel will escort a tour to Germany to attend this famous play, where 2,000 village residents act out the Passion Story of Jesus' life. The origins of the play date back to 1633. Contact the Travel Warehouse 0800 356 728; [info@travcorp.co.nz](mailto:info@travcorp.co.nz) for full details.

**MASS OFFERINGS: We pray for the sick of the parish and those for whom Mass is requested:**

**Recently Deceased:** Aileen Conroy, Ellen Silva, Toni Gabities, Audrey (Pat) Baldwin, Bev Cameron,  
**Anniversaries:** 4/3 Fred Schaab, 6/3 Kathleen (Kay) Goddard,

**Other Intentions:** Decd Members Goddard, Jordan, Mackay, Schaab, O'Leary and Stevenson families

**Intention of:** Special Intentions x 2.

**MASS TIME TABLE THIS WEEK:**

Saturday	St Thomas'	6.00pm	Vigil
Sunday	St Thomas'	9.00am	
Sunday	St Thomas'	10.30am	
Sunday	St Thomas'	5.00pm	
Monday	St Thomas'	11.00am	Funeral Mass
Tuesday	St Thomas'	9.00am	
Wednesday	St Thomas'	9.00am	Ash Wednesday
Wednesday	St Thomas'	12.10pm	Ash Wednesday
Thursday	St Thomas'	9.00am	
Friday	St Thomas'	12.10pm	
Saturday	St Thomas'	9.30am	

**Funeral Masses** take the place of scheduled weekday Mass.

**Exposition & Reconciliation** Tuesday 9.30am

Friday 11.30am, Saturday 10.00am

**St Patrick's Parish Waimate Mass** times are:

Sunday 9.00am Thursday 9.30am

Ash Wednesday 5.30pm

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** after midday Mass and 7.00pm on Fridays during Lent.

**The Magnificat Daily Reflection Lenten** Booklets are on sale in office at \$4.00 each.

**Daily Mass Calendars** on sale in office for \$4.00.

The *NZCatholic* and other magazines are on the rack on the left hand side of the foyer.

**EARLY CHURCHES in and around TIMARU.**

We have a book for sale which is a lovely reflection of our South Canterbury churches. The cost is \$20.00 half the proceeds go to the strengthening appeal.

**SVP Food Bank** - there are baskets for non-perishable items in the foyer at St Thomas' Church.

The winner of the coffee maker is Helen Taylor and the pancake maker Jenny Walker. Congratulation to you both This week's Raffle will be 100 tickets for a \$100 note.

**INFORM** next publication deadline 15 March 2019.

**SACRED HEART SCHOOL** are having a peastraw fundraiser. Only \$5.00 per bale, available for collection from the school this Sunday from 11.00am—1.00pm. Call or text Maria on 0272350672 for details. Thank you.



**MAINLY MUSIC** would be grateful for donated head scarves for the children to use for action songs. It runs every Tuesday from 9.30am for pre-schoolers during school term in St Thomas' Lounge. Family members welcome to come along and have fun with the children..

**MOVIE EVENING**

**6.15pm— Next Sunday 10 March in St Thomas' Lounge.**

**"Cockleshell Heroes"** starring Jose Ferrer and Trevor Howard. (The canoe invasion of a French Port by a team selected from Britain's BEST.) Their job to fit limpet mines on the Hulls of Twelve German Battleships. Excitement at it's best.

**SCREENS SUNDAY 10th March, 6.15pm.**

To book your seat now telephone Terry Kennedy on 6844070 and be sure to leave your phone number so he can call back for confirm your booking.



**FIRST WEEK IN LENT —10 MARCH**

Deuteronomy 26:4-10, Romans 10:8-13, Luke 4:1-13