



# NORTHERN APPROACHES

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2023  
24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Pastoral area for the Parishes of

Holy Name Dunedin North  
Sacred Heart North East Valley  
Blessed Sacrament Palmerston  
St Anne's Waikouaiti  
St Mary Star of the Sea Port Chalmers  
Our Lady Star of the Sea Hampden

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## Pastoral Area School

Sacred Heart School, North East Valley

473 8362

## Mass Times:

### Holy Name Dunedin North

Sunday 7.30am, 10am, 7pm

Monday – Saturday 8.30am

### Port Chalmers

Saturday Vigil 5pm

### Waikouaiti

Sunday 12pm

### Hampden

Sunday 1.30pm. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of the month

### Sacred Heart North East Valley

Sunday 9.30am

Monday – Saturday 9.30am

### Mercy Hospital

Thursday 9.30am.

### Exposition, Moran Chapel, Octagon

Monday – Friday 10am – 7pm

Weekday Mass, Mon - Fri, 12.10pm

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 11am – 11.30am. Holy Name

### Online Mass 10am Sunday, Holy Name

View via you tube or Web page

[www.dunedinnorthpastoralarea.com](http://www.dunedinnorthpastoralarea.com)

## Forgiveness

Jesus was uncompromising about the centrality of forgiveness because he understood human nature completely. He knew that if people would not forgive one another, and if they could not graciously accept forgiveness from other people when it was offered, then they would be unable to experience God's forgiveness. Jesus appreciated that the human spirit yearns for acceptance, sympathy, respect, companionship and a sense of belonging. None of these is possible in the absence of forgiveness.

Practising forgiveness, therefore, enables us to realise these yearnings. Our greatest gift from God — the ability to love — is dependent on our ability to forgive. Forgiveness brings healing.

If there is no forgiveness in our lives, then our human nature becomes flawed. We feel isolated. We become less than human and, eventually, our dignity and sense of self-worth diminish.

Our innate beauty derived from being made in the image and likeness of God is shattered. There is a diminution of the quality of human life and living.

When, as repentant people, we celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation properly (that is, we confess our sins, make reparation for our wrongdoing and resolve not to commit these sins again) we are assured that our sins are forgiven and that we will have God's help to avoid sin in the future. We all need to experience forgiveness in our lives. The sacrament of reconciliation enables us to receive God's forgiveness for our sins. We become whole human beings again, capable of tremendous love and sacrifice. Is it any wonder, then, that Jesus insisted on forgiveness among his followers?

John Litterton

[www.catholicireland.net](http://www.catholicireland.net)

## **Praise the Goodness of God**

Based on Psalm 103

God you are so good to me!

You forgive me.

You are with me when I am hurting.

You transform and renew my life.

You are just and merciful.

When I walk away,

you call me back to you.

You don't keep reminding me of my sins.

Your mercy is bigger than I can imagine.

My strengths and weaknesses are not hidden from you.

My failures and shame are in your sight.

There is nothing you don't know about me.

Still you gaze on me with love.

You love all people.

Heaven and earth belong to you.

Save us O God!

Only you have the power to set us free!

Amen.

Young-catholics.com

With the hope of the Resurrection,  
we ask that you remember in your prayers all those  
who have died recently, including:

**Sr Elizabeth Starcken pbvm  
Allan Campbell**

and for those we remember in September,

**Lucas Gilfedder  
Lance and Iris Higgins**

*May they and all the departed  
share in the Peace of  
Eternal Life*



## **SUNDAY MASS READINGS YEAR A**

**17<sup>th</sup> September – 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading:** Ecus. 27:30-28:7

**Second Reading:** Romans 14:7-9

**Gospel:** Matthew 18:21-35

**24<sup>th</sup> September – 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 55:6-9

**Second Reading:** Philippians 1:20-24,27

**Gospel:** Matthew 20:1-16

## **HELPFUL WEBSITES FOR PRAYER**

[www.sacredspace.ie](http://www.sacredspace.ie)

[www.pray.as.you.go.org/home](http://www.pray.as.you.go.org/home)

[www.authorjoycerupp.com](http://www.authorjoycerupp.com)

# DUNEDIN NORTH PASTORAL AREA NOTICES

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Our St Dominic's Conference group would kindly appreciate any extra help with donations of, non-perishable items – milk powder, instant mashed potatoes, tins/packets of soup, tins tuna/salmon, coffee, milo, drink sachets, snacks (biscuits, muesli bars etc) toiletries, and washing powder. Thank you.

**We no longer at this stage require egg cartons.**

**We would appreciate any spare supermarket bags that you no longer need!**

We are very grateful for the donations each week for the Society and also blessed to receive the financial donations given to the SVDP box in the Church Foyer. Online donations can be made to 03 0903 0384850 000  
May loving God Bless you all.

## Clothing Bin in Church Foyer

We are gratefully accepting donations of good quality, clean clothing for our op-shop to support the work we do in our community.

**Please note the bin is for clothes only.**

## CHURCH HEATING

Thank you to everyone that has donated via the tap and go machine at the rear of our Church over the last few months. Your donations have helped considerably with our heating costs and are very much appreciated.

I always intend ensuring that our Church is a warm environment for us to gather in for prayer. Simply tap your pay-wave/contactless payment cards to make a \$10 donation if you wish to help with our heating costs.

(Please note no receipts are issued.)

Thanks always for your faithful support.

## MONTHLY PUBLICATIONS IN CHURCH FOYER

**Tui Motu - \$7.00**

**NZ Catholic - \$4.00**

Please place payment in box provided on wall in the church foyer. Thank you.

## NORTHERN APPROACHES NOTICES

Please note any notices for the Northern Approaches to be emailed to pastoral office before Thursday 11.30am. Thank you.

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION WEEKEND

There is a marriage preparation course coming up on the 14<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at Tirohanga Camp (214 Tirohanga Road, North Taieri).

The cost is \$250 per couple (includes all accommodation and food).

Please register by October 1st. You can register on our website at [www.cdd.nz](http://www.cdd.nz)

## THE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Sacred Heart Home Little Sisters of the Poor, 295 Brockville Road, Brockville, Dunedin, 9011. Every Tuesday, 10:00am to 3:00pm.

Morning Tea, Lunch, afternoon tea and transport. Fee: Donation.

Join us and enjoy the company of our Residents and different choices of activities. Have fun while getting active and meeting new friends. Please register your interest – phone 03 4762028  
Email – [dt@lspdun.co.nz](mailto:dt@lspdun.co.nz) .

## SEASON OF CREATION

**1<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER – 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

Pope Francis invites us to join with Christians around the world in celebrating the ecumenical Season of Creation, beginning with the Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation (1 Sept) and ending on 4 October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. The theme is *Let Justice and Peace Flow*. Visit the National Liturgy Office [www.nlo.org.nz](http://www.nlo.org.nz) for a special message from Pope Francis and to view The Season of Creation Celebration guide.

## PEACE LECTURE

20<sup>th</sup> Annual Jewish-Christian-Muslim Peace Lecture to be given by Dr Jenny Te Paa Daniel on UN International Day of Peace Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023, St. David's Lecture Theatre from 6:45pm – 8:15pm at the University of Otago. Supper to follow in All Saint's Anglican Church Hall, 786 Cumberland Street. For more information see poster in Church foyer.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Little Sisters of the Poor in Brockville are looking for several volunteers to help at the reception. If you are interested in offering some of your time, please contact Mother Cecilia at [ms@lspdun.co.nz](mailto:ms@lspdun.co.nz) or 03 476-2028. Thank you.

## **CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME**

**Laudato Si' reflection during Season of Creation – Let Justice and Peace Flow**  
*'Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?'* [Mt 18:33]  
How do we join in the flow of God's love?  
Aroha mai, aroha atu - Love received, love returned.

"... where injustices abound and growing numbers of people are deprived of basic human rights and considered expendable, the principle of the common good immediately becomes, ... a summons to solidarity and a preferential option for the poorest of our brothers and sisters... it demands before all else an appreciation of the immense dignity of the poor in the light of our deepest convictions as believers..." [LS 158]

**The Economics of happiness – Free Public Screening by Seniors Climate Action Network –**  
What form of economics leads to happiness?  
You are invited on Monday 25 September at 12.00 noon, Dunedin Public Library, 4<sup>th</sup> floor. This film, by connecting the dots between climate chaos, economics and our personal suffering delivers a powerful message of localization, and reveals how corporate-led globalization destroys our environment, jobs and our democracy. Small, local economies of the world are preserving traditions, cultures and communities which build local resilience and ultimately safeguard our happiness. Stay on for a free cuppa, snacks and chat. <https://seniorsclimateactionnetwork.org/current-event.html>

## **TITIPOUNAMU STUDY & JOY**

**Women in the Bible - The Book of Esther** with Kieran Fenn fms.

Monday, 18 Sep, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.

Fee: \$20/session.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/07/10/women-in-the-bible/>

**Liturgical Spaces** with Prof Thomas O'Loughlin. Series on Muffin Talk radio programme freely available online at:

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/07/17/liturgical-space-thomas-oloughlin/>

For more information: [www.studyjoy.nz](http://www.studyjoy.nz)

## **20:20 SPRING SESSIONS**

### **20:20 Catholic Questions**

**20 minutes presentation, 20 minutes for questions.**

What does RE look like in Aotearoa Schools?  
*Looking at the structure and intent of the NZ Catholic Bishops' Religious Education programme.*

Presenter - Colin MacLeod

Thursday, 21 September 6.20pm in St Patrick's Basilica (Repeated: Sunday, 24 September 10.30am – 10.50am in the Mercy Chapel).

## **PLANNED GIVING**

Planned giving is a way of supporting our, Pastoral Area and can be done in one of the following ways: Planned giving envelope (please collect from office) Cash in offertory procession or Automatic payments, which can be set up weekly, fortnightly, monthly, whatever suits best, and deposited into one of the Pastoral Areas Bank Accounts below. Please include your name in Particulars and PG as reference.

Any support whether consistent or not, is Greatly Appreciated and if you choose the automatic payments or planned giving envelopes these are eligible for **tax rebates**, please contact Lisa at the pastoral office [holynameparish@hotmail.com](mailto:holynameparish@hotmail.com) with your contact details and a tax certificate will be issued at the end of every financial year.

For donations made to Sacred Heart Church please forward your contact details to North East Valley Office 473 8470.

### **Dunedin North Parish Account:**

ANZ Bank 060901 0054874 07

### **Sacred Heart Parish Account:**

ANZ Bank 060901 0054874 12

## **THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE**

Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College accepts enrolment for the Bachelor of Divinity and Graduate Diploma in Theology starting September 25.

"With a dedicated and qualified faculty of theologians, and access to a wealth of resources, our program will empower you to critically analyse complex theological issues, foster spiritual growth, and prepare you for a meaningful career in ministry, education, or other fields where a profound understanding of theology is invaluable."

To learn more about the programmes, go to [www.tekupenga.ac.nz/programmes](http://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/programmes).