



NORTHERN APPROACHES

Sunday 17th December 2023

Third Sunday of Advent

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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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. 2nd and 4th 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



Lord Jesus,

Master of both the light and the darkness,
 send Your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.

We who have so much to do and seek quiet spaces
 to hear Your voice each day,

We who are anxious over many things
 look forward to Your coming among us.

We who are blessed in so many ways long for
 the complete joy of Your kingdom.

We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of Your presence.
 We are Your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light.

To you we say, "Come Lord Jesus!"

Amen.

Henri J.M. Nouwen



Christmas Mass Schedule

Saturday December 23rd

5pm Port Chalmers

Christmas Eve

7.30am, Holy Name

9.30am, Sacred Heart, North East Valley

10am, Holy Name

1.30pm, Hampden

5pm, Holy Name, Children's Mass

7pm, Waikouaiti

10pm, Holy Name

12am, Sacred Heart, North East Valley

Christmas Day

8.30am, Port Chalmers

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

and for those we remember in December,

**Peg Cadigan
Peter Cadigan**

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



SUNDAY MASS READINGS YEAR B

17th December – Second Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11

Second Reading: 1Thessalonians 5:16-24

Gospel: John 1:6-8,19-28

24th December – Third Sunday of Advent

First Reading: 2Samuel 7:1-5,8-11,16

Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38



Prayer for the Holy Land

Jesus, protect the innocent
and vulnerable, comfort the
suffering, and give courage
and wisdom to leaders in
the Holy Land. Amen.

DUNEDIN NORTH PASTORAL AREA NOTICES

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Our St Dominic's Conference group would like to thank everyone who has so kindly made donations of non-perishable items throughout the year for the Society and also blessed to receive the financial donations given to the SVDP box in the Church Foyer.

May loving God Bless you all.

Online donations can be made to
03 0903 0384850 000

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 during the year. 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 FOR PURCHASE

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.

COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR \$12

The Columban Mission Calendars are now for sale in the Church foyer the cost: **\$12.00 each**. Please place payment in the box provided or payment can be made directly into parish account 06 0901 0054874 07 with calendar as reference.

FILIPINO TRADITION

"SIMBANG GABI"

The Filipino "Simbang Gabi" tradition will start on December 15th – 23rd at St. Patrick's Basilica, at 7pm except on December 16th and 23rd Saturdays which will start at 6pm.

TITIPOUNAMU STUDY & JOY

Christmas Story with Prof Thomas O'Loughlin:

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2021/12/23/the-christmas-story/>

YouTube Recordings

YouTube and Muffin Talk recordings are available online at:

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/>

Our next Zoom sessions will be in February/March on the theme of **Miracles**.

For more information: www.studyjoy.nz

CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Laudato Si' Group - "A voice crying in the desert ..." John 1: "make a straight way for the Lord." D H Wansbrough OSB: "All through the Gospel of John there are misunderstandings about Jesus; people fail to recognise him for what he is ... ; How can I find Jesus in the crowded events of my busy life?" Francis-LS 217: "The external deserts in the world are growing, because the internal deserts have become so vast. For this reason, the ecological crisis is also a summons to profound interior conversion What (we) all need is an ecological conversion...".

ADVENT CAROLS

St Joseph's Cathedral Celebrating Advent through Music, Wednesday 20 December, during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:15-6:45pm (following 5:30pm Mass), concluding with Benediction. A selection of Advent music will be performed by, St Joseph's Cathedral Choir, Director/Organist David Burchell. Everyone most welcome to attend.

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 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

TE KUPENGA CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Enrolment for the Bachelor of Divinity and Graduate Diploma in Theology is still on-going until the end of January. The Certificate and Diploma in Christian Studies are also accepting enrolment for 2024. Semester starts on 19 February 2024. For courses offered on campus, online and each diocese, go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/timetables. To enrol, go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/apply

ST VINCENT DE PAUL DUNEDIN CHRISTMAS FOOD PARCEL – PLEASE DONATE NOW!!!

Our list for assistance is growing by the day for the Christmas hampers.

The opportunity is always there for people to donate to our foodbank or leave in our churches but this year we are offering this alternative.

For a family of three the Christmas food parcel costs around \$79.00. This is a full Christmas meal of chicken, new potatoes, vegetables and lots of treats.

Each family will also receive a gift for a family experience.

Please donate online to 03 0883 0186960 00 or anyone is more than welcome to drop into our Centre, 452 George Street. Thank you.

UNIQUE CATHOLIC GIFTS

Searching for unique Christmas gifts? Look no further, you'll find your perfect gifts at Saintly Gift! From cute nativity sets to cuddly plush toys, chewable rosaries, Catholic themed wrapping paper, Catholic toys, and many more. Make this Christmas truly special. Discover the joy of giving with Saintly Gift - Where Tradition meets your Christmas Celebration! Visit us at www.saintlygift.com

HELPFUL WEBSITES FOR PRAYER

www.sacredspace.ie

www.pray.as.you.go.org/home

www.authorjoycerupp.com