

Sacred Heart Parish

2nd March 2025 – 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FR BRIAN'S PRAYER & REFLECTION



Some people, including myself, enjoy planting roses, and to get beautiful roses a lot of care is needed They need the right location, the right soil and the right fertiliser. There is still more they may need the correct spray, and the right amount of spray as per the instructions on the bottle. Roses may still suffer from fungal disease, wind, and rain damage.

To be spiritually healthy we also need to care for ourselves. If you are a workaholic, your prayer life might suffer, If you have a poor diet, lack meaningful exercise, eat the wrong foods, or stay up late at night your spiritual life might be affected. If one part of your body is under stress or broken it's like a rotten branch on a rose bush or fruit tree. To get a decent bloom, or delicious fruit all/ most of the body needs to be healthy and cared for.

The spiritual body does not operate independently from the physical body. Both need to work together for the common good. When one part is struggling the other parts are under pressure.

To be fully alive we need to focus on strengthening the spiritual and allowing the spiritual to become stronger. At the same time, we need to get physically healthy. When the spiritual and the physical are healthy and working together in tandem we and the flowers and the fruit, become stronger and then we can naturally radiate more of God's love.



God Bless, Fr Brian Carmine

TO ALL THE ELVES



Firstly, thanks to all those who planned in secret the 25th anniversary of my ordination. You know who you are, and I offer you my prayers and thanks. Thanks to all those who were very generous in creating food, it was a real banquet, " far superior than marbles" Thanks for those who car pooled so non drivers could attend. The music group excelled a huge ensemble of different voices and instruments and voices singing and leading the mass like a choir of angels. Thanks for the lovely card and the gifts. There were also a group of people who worked the bank room, hands in water, and others drying utensils and plates thankyou again. So, I am now like the energizer bunny, energizered, by your love and kindness, or maybe like roadrunner beep beep. Thanks again for gifting your love, I am indebted to you all for your kindness. I will pray many prayers of thanks for you all. God Bless Fr Brian.







Thank you to everyone who came on Wednesday night and celebrated Fr. Brian's 25-year Anniversary in Priesthood. The Church was almost full, with the majority of people staying for the pot-luck dinner afterwards.

Thank you to everyone who helped out to make this celebration a success. The music was fantastic, all the food was delicious and the cake was beautiful. The atmosphere was amazing - even the rain didn't dampen our spirits.

Thank you to everyone who brought extra tables and chairs in and to those who helped with set up and clean up. Your help is much appreciated.

It was great to see Fr. Nathaniel and the parishioners from Stratford and Eltham come up to join in with our celebrations. We were also joined by St Joseph's School, Waitara and St Patrick's School, Inglewood.

Even though the Commissioning Mass was on in New Plymouth, Bishop John Adam's, Fr. Simon and Fr Sebastian turned up for cake and dessert.

Congratulations Fr. Brian for your dedicated 25 years of service to our churches and communities.

THE VISION *of* SACRED HEART PARISH, INGLEWOOD IS:

Parish communities empowered by the Holy Spirit to grow in faith, hope and love.

Ngā Hāpori Pariha i whakamanahia e te wairua tapu ki te tupu i roto i te whakapono, te tūmanako me te aroha.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS: Frank Thomas, Max Keinhaus, Robert Zimmerman, Brian Wisnewski, Shane Bloomfield, Vernie Hutchieson, Eileen Fife

We remember in our prayers: All those who are unwell in our Parish, those who are caring for sick loved ones and those who are still living in their own homes, the lonely, the elderly, those suffering Bereavements and all Parishioners in Rest Homes and Hospitals.

MEN'S MEAL IS BACK

Note the change of day to **Thursday March 6th**.
Meet at the Waitara RSA at 6.15pm.
Please RSVP to Fr. Brian on 0275163758 or Bejcarmine@ gmail.com.

If we get any men from Inglewood the April gathering will be at Inglewood.

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YOUTH IN INGLEWOOD

Our first event will be the Maize Maze on Sunday March 9th.
On this Sunday we will go up to the Lion's Maize Maze. It promises to be amazing. Please bring a hat, sunscreen and water.
If you are interested in going, can you please put your name down on the sheet on the youth noticeboard in the foyer.

JOIN IN A GREAT PRAYER FOR LIFE THIS LENT!

Ash Wednesday to Palm Sunday - pray for an end to abortion.
Sign up and receive educational resources and daily prayer intentions. Join the peaceful prayer vigil near the abortion place on Wednesdays. Find out more at FLI.org.nz/prayerforlife

DONATIONS COLLECTION

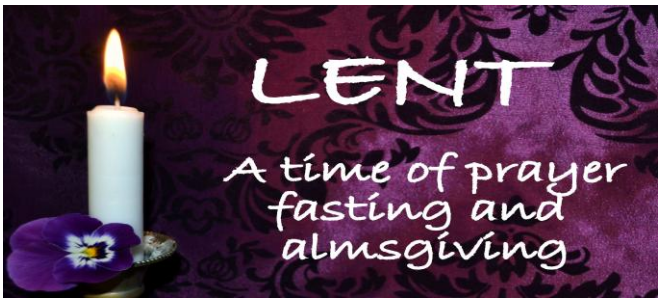
Sunday 23rd February

Parish	$272.00
Clergy Trust Fund	$100.60

Bishops' Lent Appeal 2025: Put your compassion into action

Lenten Giving Envelopes for the Bishops' Lent Appeal 2025 have been distributed today at Mass. This year, we are using a single giving envelope. By reducing costs, we ensure more of your donations go to those in need. You can give once or weekly, as is your preference (there are spare envelopes on the foyer table). You may either return your donation envelopes during the parish offertory collection or send them to Caritas directly using the freepost option with the envelope. NZ Post specifies that cash must not be sent through the post. Donations received by Caritas in these envelopes by 31st March 2025 will be sent receipts for the 2024/2025 tax year. Donations received by Caritas after April 1st will be sent receipts for the 2025/2026 tax year.

Thank you for your generous support.



LENTEN FOODBANK COLLECTION

We were asked if we could do a collection for Foodbank, so we thought that Lent would be the perfect time.

While most will give up something for Lent, we thought that maybe you can not only do that but you could give 1 item of food per week for the 6 week's of Lent.

This collection will start on the First Sunday of Lent - 9th March.

The collection basket is in the foyer.

Thank you in advance for your generous donations.

PARISH CONTACTS

23 Standish Street, PO Box 109, Inglewood Phone: 756 7164 or 027 672 2514
Email: shparish@xtra.co.nz

Parish Priest: Fr. Brian Carmine – 756 7164 or 027 516 3758
Secretary / Administrator / Parish Planned Giving: Nicky Kuklinski – 756 7164
Parish Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 9am – 12noon, Friday 12noon – 3pm

PARISH CONTACT PEOPLE

Parish Prayer Support (Prayer Line): Theresa Gibbon – 756 8349
Parish Hall Hire & Religious Stall: Parish Office – 756 7164
Bereavement Care Group: Mary Coombe – 756 7798
Gluten Free Hosts: Eva Lamplough – 756 9167
Floral Arrangement Roster: Tess Johnston – 756 8452
St Patrick's School Principal: April Baylis – 756 7908, email: office@stpatsinglewood.school.nz
Foodbank: Open at Forrestal House on Fridays – 9.30am – 10.30am.



INGLEWOOD

SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Sunday 10.30am

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday 10.30am *Every 1st & 3rd Sunday*

WEEK DAY MASS TIMETABLE

Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 10.00am
Saturday 9.00am *Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday*

BENEDICTION & RECONCILIATION

Saturday 8.30am *Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday*

BAPTISMS (INGLEWOOD): 1st Sunday of every month (except January). For more information contact Fr. Brian or the Parish Office

WAITARA

SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Sunday 9.00am *Every Sunday*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday 9.00am *Every Week*

WEEK DAY MASS TIMETABLE

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place for 30 minutes as shown below (before or after)

Tuesday	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word	*(after)*
Wednesday	5.30pm	Mass	*(before)*
Thursday	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word	*(after)*
Friday	9.00am	Mass	*(after)*
Saturday	9.00am	Every 2nd & 4th Saturday	*(before)*
Saturday	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word	*(after)*

All other Saturday's

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 8.30am *Every 2nd & 4th Saturday*

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Saturday 5.00pm 8th March

NGA PEKANGA

Sunday 10.30am 9th March

BAPTISMS (WAITARA): 2nd Saturday of every month (except January). For more information contact Fr. Brian or the Parish Office

SCRIPTURE READINGS

2nd March – Psalm Response: Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.
Sirach: 27.4-7 **Corinthians:** 15.54-58 **Luke:** 6.39-45
9th March – Psalm Response: Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.
Deuteronomy: 26.4-10 **Romans:** 10.8-13 **Luke:** 4.1-13

SUNDAY MINISTRIES		
	This Week Sat 2nd March	**Next Week Sun 9th March**
Readers	Christiane McIntyre Mike Davey	Lyn Potroz Alan Gibbins
Prayers of Faithful	Casey Chamberlain	Mark Duynhoven
Presentation of Gifts	Val Young	Betty Dravitzki Anne Dravitzki
Communion Ministers	Alan Spurdle Joy Woodward Jun Monforte	Christiane McIntyre Ngaire Dravitzki Terry Dravitzki
Altar Servers	Sophia Emily	Isaac. R
Music	Music – Sue Marsh	Blake
Power Points	Nicky	Nicky
Counters	Pat Kuklinski Betty Dravitzki	Christiane McIntyre Mike Crofskey
Cup of Tea	Maree & Alan Gibbins	Maureen D'Ath & Nancy Leahy
Church Cleaning	Tony & Denise Dravitzki 28 Feb / 1 March	Denys & Liz Beckett 7 / 8 March

Mass Readings for the 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

First Reading – Sirach 27:4-7: Speech reveals faults and true character. Just as a tree's fruit shows its care, words show thoughts. Do not praise someone before hearing them speak.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 92: It is good to thank and praise the Lord, whose kindness and faithfulness are constant. The righteous flourish and bear fruit, proclaiming God's justice and reliability.

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 15:54-58: Through Jesus, we have victory over death. Be steadfast and devoted to the Lord's work, knowing it is not in vain.

Gospel – Luke 6:39-45: Jesus teaches that we must address our own faults before correcting others. A person's actions reflect their inner character, just as a tree is known by its fruit.

PRAYER GROUP with ADORATION
Every Thursday from 9am-10am.

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ICE CREAM SUNDAY
Catholic Women's League ladies have chosen "Children's Day" Sunday 2nd March to serve you 6 types of ice cream after Mass. Our "At Home Appeal" this year is "Women's Refuge" and your gold coin will be supporting this worthy cause.

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday 4th March, at 9.30am

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ASH WEDNESDAY MASS
Wednesday 5th March at 9.30am.

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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
Friday 7th March at 10.00am.
This will be held at the Anglican Hall on Brown Street.

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEETING
Friday 7th March after the World Day of Prayer

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LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING
This has been postponed and is now on
Sunday 9th March at 11.30am

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Tuesday 11th March at 7.00pm
Then on the 18th & 25th March, 1st, 8th & 15th April

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LENTEN PROGRAMME
Tuesday 11th March after Stations of the Cross.
Then on the 18th & 25th March, 1st, 8th & 15th April

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ST PATRICK'S DAY/SCHOOL MASS
Sunday 16th March
Please come to Mass dressed in green to support St Patrick's Day (17th March).

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WORKS & FINANCE MEETING
Sunday 23rd March, at 11.30am

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ANOINTING MASS
Thursday 3rd April, at 10.00am. We will have a shared morning tea afterwards.

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RECONCILIATION RITE II - RECONCILIATION IN LIGHT
Tuesday 8th April from 6.00pm – 7.00pm
Fr. Brian will have Reconciliation for one hour and parishioners can come anytime between these times.

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ALLOCATIONS MEETING
Wednesday 16th April, at 12 noon



HOLY THURSDAY
Thursday 17th April at 7.00pm
This Mass will be combined with St Joseph's Parish Waitara and held in Waitara

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GOOD FRIDAY
Friday 18th April at 1.30pm

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EASTER VIGIL
Saturday 19th April at 7.00pm
This Mass will be combined with St Joseph's Parish Waitara and held here in Inglewood.

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EASTER SUNDAY
Sunday 20th April at 10.00am
This Mass will be combined with St Joseph's Parish Waitara and held in Waitara

UPCOMING - WAITARA

RECONCILIATION RITE II - RECONCILIATION IN LIGHT
Wednesday 26th March from 6.00pm – 7.00pm
Fr. Brian will have Reconciliation for one hour and parishioners can come anytime between these times

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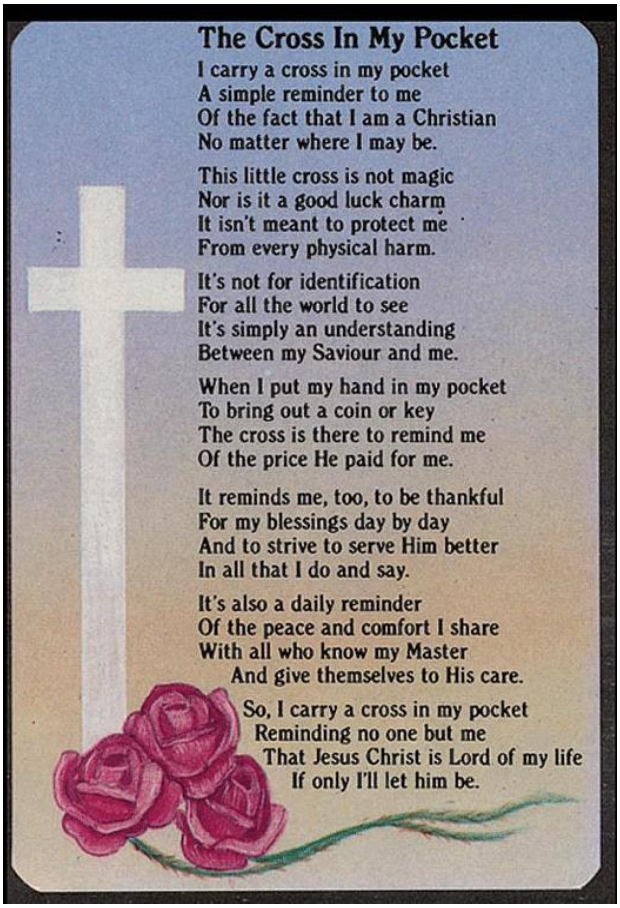
ANOINTING MASS
Friday 28th March, at 9am.





What do we do when we're facing an upcoming big event, celebration, or special occasion in our lives? We prepare for it. Holy Week and Easter are "big events" in the liturgical year of the Church and in the spiritual life of a Christian. So, as Christians, we prepare spiritually for these through the forty days of Lent. This means that, during Lent, we rededicate ourselves to prayer.

There are as many ways to pray as there are prayers in this world, but a few prayer methods can help us in particular to spiritually prepare ourselves during Lent:

1. Make your abstinence a prayer-in-action.

As Catholics we are called to give up something for Lent. Chocolate, coffee, that extra helping of dinner, one less hour of video games or watching DVDs—whatever it is, you can make what you're giving up for Lent a prayer as well: a prayer-in-action. Whenever you encounter the thing you are abstaining from or the time of day that you would normally enjoy it, take a moment to say a prayer in recognition of your wholeness in God even without the thing you have given up. Thank God for the freedom to be wholly yourself without this and, at the same time, acknowledge the gift of its existence in the world.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF PALMERSTON NORTH

Parish Strategic Leader Vacancy | Catholic Parish of New Plymouth

Are you strategic, organised, driven, relational, and passionate? Do you have people management experience and a background in both operational and strategic responsibilities? Do you thrive on building relationships and collaborating with others to achieve shared goals? The New Plymouth Catholic Parish is looking for a Strategic Leader to join our vibrant team. In this role, you'll play a key part in supporting and growing our Parish faith journey. If this sounds like you, contact the office on (06) 757 3682, or email ParishLeadershipTeam@catholicparishnp.nz to request a Job Description and Application Form. Applications close Friday 7 March.

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Manager | Pleroma Christian Supplies

Pleroma Christian Supplies is seeking a dedicated and enthusiastic Manager to oversee their daily operations. The successful candidate will be responsible for managing the store, leading a team of dedicated staff, and fostering a welcoming environment for customers, online, by phone and face-to-face. If you have a passion for Christian resourcing and a strong desire to serve the community, this is a fantastic opportunity for you. Apply online at https://www.seek.co.nz/pleroma-jobs?jobId=82041170&type=standard or directly to The Trust Board Chair, Chris Duthie-Jung, c.duthie-jung@wn.catholic.org.nz**.**

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Diocesan Outreach Assistants | Aid to the Church in Need

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) is seeking Diocesan Outreach Assistants (DOAs) in the Diocese of Palmerston North to help share the stories of suffering and persecuted Christians in 2025. This part-time role involves delivering several parish presentations per year and handling some administrative tasks (calls, emails, bookings).

Key responsibilities:

- Raise awareness of persecuted Christians and encourage prayer.
- Inspire parishioners to take action and support ACN's mission.

For details and to apply, visit www.aidtochurch.org/work, call 0800 242 322 (10am-7pm NZST), or email Cecilia: cecilia@aidtochurch.org. Applications close: 17 March 2025.

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CathNews New Zealand

The Bishops Conference last week launched the renewed CathNews New Zealand project. This ministry supports Catholics and people interested in the Church in accessing news and other content of interest. It draws from material that has already been published and includes original content. The best way to receive CathNews New Zealand is by signing up to the newsletter, which is sent on Tuesday and Friday mornings. Visit the CathNews New Zealand website and sign up at https://cathnewsnz.com.

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Webinars for 2025 | Te Kupenga

Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is offering online webinars in 2025. This series features our current and past students who will inspire us as they talk about growing in faith, leadership in ministry, and their role in ministry. For more information and to register, go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/webinar2025.

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Rite of Election | Save the Date

The Rite of Election for the Diocese will be celebrated on Sunday 9 March, 2pm at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit. Bishop John invites all members of the Diocese of Palmerston North to this important event.

RSVP to Donna Brown, pastoral@cathedral.org.nz.

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Cathedral Centenary | March 2025

The Cathedral of the Holy Spirit will be celebrating 100 years in March! There will be a free event on the weekend of 21 – 22 March to mark this special occasion, featuring coffee trucks, cultural food stalls, musical festivities and more! Everyone is welcome.



Everyday Praise

Through grace, I have found God in every mess, burden, and blessing in my life. God's small mercies have covered me like a rainbow in the clouds.

Each day is sacred, even the worst one. Every morning, you and I receive an opportunity to experience the presence of Christ in a new way. As the Scriptures tell us: "The Lord's acts of mercy are not exhausted, his compassion is not spent; They are renewed each morning—great is your faithfulness!" (Lamentations 3:22–24)

This means that when we wake up to a new day, we can trust that the Lord will be with us. Although he might reveal himself to us with thunderous signs from heaven, we can usually catch a better glimpse of him in the everyday places and faces that define our lives.

So try looking for God in ordinary places: your home, your workplace, your community. Meet God face-to-face at the grocery store or coffee shop. Even in the hardest moments, know that you will find God in the compassion of those who love you. Praise God for your imperfect life. Thank God for his faithfulness.

Written by Nancy Jo Sullivan, an inspirational writer and speaker. Nancy is the author of Small Mercies by Loyola Press.

Have you considered donating some of your legacy to your Catholic Church.
When writing your Will, please consider donating an amount for the ongoing development of the Sacred Heart Parish, Inglewood.

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Thank you for visiting our church here in Inglewood. You and your family are always welcome at regular Liturgies/Mass or for just a private time before the Lord.
If you would like to make a donation to our Church, you can use the following details:
Bank: Sacred Heart Parish Account Inglewood
Bank: BNZ, Palmerston North
Account Number: 02-0630-0288002-011
Reference: Your name
God Bless, Fr Brian Carmine

In your February/March Wel*Com*:

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