

Sacred Heart Parish

30th March 2025 – 4th Sunday of Lent

FR BRIAN'S PRAYER & REFLECTION



The Parable of the Prodigal Son is all about forgiveness and God's unconditional love. It tells the tale of a young guy who asks for his inheritance early, basically saying he wishes his dad was dead. He goes off, spends all the money recklessly, and ends up broke and starving. He decides to go back home, hoping to get a job as a labourer. But when his dad sees him coming, he runs to him, hugs him, and welcomes him back with open arms.

The story is a metaphor for our relationship with God. No matter how far we stray or what mistakes we make, God is always there, waiting to welcome us back with love and forgiveness. It's a reminder that we can always turn back to God and encourage others to do the same. Come back to us at Waitara or Inglewood we will welcome you, the first step is the hardest. Our Sunday Mass times are at St Joseph's Parish, Waitara - 9.00am and Sacred Heart Parish, Inglewood - 10.30am

God Bless, Fr Brian Carmine



Heavenly Father, pour forth your Holy Spirit to inspire me with these words from Holy Scripture;

But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry. *(2 Timothy 4:5)*

He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. (*Mark 16:15)*

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" *(Isaiah 6:8)*

God, our Father, I pray that through the Holy Spirit I might hear the call of the New Evangelisation to deepen my faith, grow in confidence to proclaim the Gospel and boldly witness to the saving grace of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen

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.

The next collection will be on the Fourth Sunday of Lent – 30th March.

The collection basket is in the foyer.

Thank you in advance for your generous donations.



This year we are having a colouring-in competition for the children.

The pictures for this are on the foyer table and the coloured in pictures will need to be back in by Palm Sunday (13th April). These can be left in the marked box on the foyer table.

The winners will be published in the Easter newsletter (19th April).

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: Tom Blundell, Fr Jack O'Sullivan, Veronica Smith, H & T Fowler, K Fowler, Kath Goodin, Robin Chapman, Dennis Walsh, Pat Plimmer, Adrian Dravitzki, Jim Duynhoven, Veronica Curd, Cosmos (Pip) Eichsteadt, Alice Stephenson, Val Dodunski, Charles Bublitz, Charlie Lamplough, Noeline Fabish, Joseph Stachurski

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.



Good Friday

April 18th

Lifegate Church

invite church and community to a short Good Friday service followed by coffee and hot cross buns

9.30am on our lawn

27 Cutfield St.

Lifegate Church, Mamaku St. if wet weather

Each Sunday throughout Lent we will be bringing up one item that is a symbol of Lent.

Week 4 - This week we will bring up the Barren Stones.

Stones call to mind the desert, and Jesus' testing by the devil there.



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:

5. Reflect deeper on your liturgical prayer.
When you attend Mass during Lent, be conscious of and meditate on the words you pray in the liturgy. For example, the Eucharistic Prayer, the highlight of each Mass, has special significance during Lent. After receiving communion, you may want to sit and reflect more deeply on this great prayer of the Church.

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.

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Sacrament of Confirmation 2025
For more information on this, please see the parish noticeboard or contact the parish office.

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Daily Reflections for Lent & Daily Reflection for Easter to Pentecost Books
These are now on the foyer table for $8 each. Can you please put the money for these in the parish office letterbox (beside the office).

DONATIONS COLLECTION - Sunday 23rd March
Parish - $263.53 Clergy Trust Fund - $97.47
Lent – Week 3 - $80.00

PARISH CONTACTS

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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: Monday - Thursday 9am – 12noon, Friday 12noon – 3pm
Donations: 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: 02-0630-0288002-01 Reference: Your name
(If you would like a receipt, can you please email the Parish Office)

PARISH CONTACT PEOPLE

Parish Prayer Support (Prayer Line): Theresa Gibbon – 756 8349
Parish Hall Hire & Religious Stall: Parish Office – 756 7164
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*

MOKAU

Saturday 5.00pm 12th April

NGA PEKANGA

Sunday 10.30am 13th April

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

SCRIPTURE READINGS

30th March – Psalm Response: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.
Joshua: 5.9, 10-12 **Corinthians:** 5.17-21 **Luke:** 15.1-3, 11-32
6th April – Psalm Response: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.
Isaiah: 43.16-21 **Philippians:** 3.8-14 **John:** 8.1-11

SUNDAY MINISTRIES

	This Week Sat 30th March	Next Week Sun 6th April
Readers	Val Young Steve Morice	Vonna Parsons Fiona Bishop
Prayers of Faithful	Joy Woodward	Christiane McIntyre
Presentation of Gifts	Mary Coombe Cathy Churches	Lyn Potroz Cecelia Stachurski
Communion Ministers	Alan Gibbins Mary Evans Chris Werder	Alan Spurdle Joy Woodward Jun Monforte
Altar Servers	Toby Rita	Casey Chloe
Music	Music – Sue Marsh	Music Group
Power Points	Mark	Nicky
Counters	Pat Kuklinski Betty Dravitzki	Christiane McIntyre Mike Crofskey
Cup of Tea	Maree & Alan Gibbins	Jun & Pauline Monforte
Church Cleaning	Ngaire Dravitzki & Nancy Leahy 28 / 29 March	Maree & Alan Gibbins 4 / 5 April

Mass Readings for the 4th Sunday of Lent, Year C

First Reading – Joshua 5:9A, 10-12: The Israelites celebrated Passover at Gilgal and ate the produce of Canaan. The manna ceased, and they no longer had manna but ate the land's produce.
Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 34: Praise the Lord always, for he hears and saves those in need. Seek him and be filled with joy, without shame.
Second Reading – 2 Corinthians 5:17-21: In Christ, we are new creations. God reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the message of reconciliation. Be reconciled to God through Christ.
Gospel – Luke 15:1-3, 11-32: Jesus tells a parable about a father with two sons. The younger wastes his inheritance but is welcomed back with joy when he repents. The older son is resentful, but the father explains the need to celebrate the lost being found.

TAX RECEIPTS: Next Monday is the 31st March 2024, so your tax receipts will be out in the next 2 weeks. If you would like your tax receipt emailed to you, can you please let Nicky know via email, shparish@xtra.co.nz by Monday 31st March.

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

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Tuesday 1st April at 7.00pm
Then on the 8th & 15th April

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LENTEN PROGRAMME
Tuesday 1st April after Stations of the Cross.
Then on the 8th & 15th April

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

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEETING
Monthly Meeting held in the Meeting Room following the 10:00 am Anointing Mass on Thursday 3rd April. Members please remember the Women's Refuge Handbag Charity and bring contributions to THIS April Meeting. Newcomers always welcome. Hostess: Christiane McIntyre. Thank you.

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday 8th April, at 10.00am

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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

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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

The 'Ministries for Holy Week' sheet is on the foyer table Today, so if you would like to be involved in a ministry over Easter please put your name down. We will need some parishioners for ministries for Holy Thursday in Waitara as well.

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WORKS & FINANCE MEETING
Sunday 18th May, at 11.30am

FROM THE DIOCESE OF PALMERSTON NORTH

Chrism Mass: The Chrism Mass for the Palmerston North Diocese will be celebrated on Tuesday 15th April, 12:05pm at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit. All welcome.

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Hope and Renewal Summit | Save the Date: The Diocesan Pastoral Team is excited to announce the Hope and Renewal Summit. In this Jubilee Year of Hope, join Fr. James Mallon and parish leaders from across New Zealand as we embrace our mission, inspire hope, and transform our culture. Don't miss this opportunity to connect, learn, and collaborate with fellow parish leaders, priests, and community members. 2-4 October 2025 (for Clergy),
3-4 October (for everyone) at the Awapuni Racecourse, Palmerston North.
Registration opens soon: join our email list at https://news.divinerenovation.org/h/y/90965FA3EE808169 to get notified once registration opens.

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St Joseph's Hāwera | 150 Years
St Joseph's Parish & School, Hāwera, will be celebrating 150 years over Labour Weekend, 24th–26th October 2025. All past and present members of the parish and school community are invited to participate in the Jubilee celebrations.Registration Forms & Event Calendar are available at www.stjoeshawera150celebration.co.nz.
Hard copies of the registration form can be collected from the Church Foyer and the Mission Centre (School & Parish Office). For further details email: stjosephshawerajubilee@gmail.com.

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FOOD FOR FAITH for Lent: Fr. John O'Connor offers brief daily encouragements for those seeking greater maturity in relationship with Jesus Christ. Sign up to receive daily emails at www.foodforfaith.org.nz.

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March 2025 Funding Round | Catholic Charities Foundation: Parish groups, agencies and church organisations that provide a helping hand by supporting Families and Social Services are invited to apply for funding from the Catholic Charities Foundation of Palmerston and the Tindall Foundation through the Diocesan Allocations group. **Applications are now open and are due by Monday 31 March 2025. Application forms and more information can be found here: https://pndiocese.org.nz/who-we-are/application-for-funding-catholic-charities-allocations/ or please contact reception@pndiocese.org.nz.**

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Divine Mercy Conference | Auckland, May 23 – 25 2025 : Divine Mercy NZ is excited to be bringing back to New Zealand Fr Chris Alar MIC from the US as keynote speaker, plus several other international speakers. Divine Mercy Conference2025 will be in a real sense an encapsulation of all that has gone before, and yet more, and to the point – how that is lived out, witnessed, in the Third Millennium. Please join us for this important event in the Jubilee Year. Registrations are essential: www.divinemercyconference2025.co.nz.