



Holy Family Parish

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B –
 Sunday 7th February 2021



FIRST READING : Job 7:1-4,6-7;

Job began to speak: Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service, his time no better than hired drudgery? Like the slave, sighing for the shade, or the workman with no thought but his wages, months of delusion I have assigned to me, nothing for my own but nights of grief. Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?' Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!' Restlessly I fret till twilight falls. Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed, and vanished, leaving no hope behind. Remember that my life is but a breath, and that my eyes will never again see joy.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 146

R. Praise the Lord, who heals the broken-hearted.

Praise the Lord for he is good; sing to our God for he is loving: to him our praise is due. *R.*

The Lord builds up Jerusalem and brings back Israel's exiles. he heals the broken-hearted, he binds up all their wounds. He fixes the number of the stars; he calls each one by its name. *R.*

Our Lord is great and almighty; his wisdom can never be measured. The Lord raises the lowly; he humbles the wicked to the dust. *R.*

SECOND READING : 1 Corinthians 9

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me. So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessings.

GOSPEL : Mark 1:29-39

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them. That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was. In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.

**Parish Groups
 at
 HOLY FAMILY PARISH**



Group	Days and times of meetings
Adult Formation	Every Thursday at 7pm In the Bugler Centre
Catechism Classes	Every Sunday during the school term after the 9:30am Mass In the Bugler Centre
Choir	Wednesday at 7:30pm In the Choir Loft
House of Nazareth (Playgroup for preschoolers and home schoolers)	1st & 3rd Friday of the month 11am to 2:30pm In the Hall
Junior Legion of Mary (7 to 18 years Old)	Saturday at 10am In the Bugler Centre
Mothers Prayer Group	Every Friday 6:30pm In the Crying Room
Samoan Community	Meeting 3rd Sunday of the Month in the Hall Samoan Mass 4th Sunday of the Month at 12pm
Senior Legion of Mary	Tuesday at 7:30pm In the Bugler Centre
Tongan Community	Meeting 2nd Sunday of the Month in the Hall Tongan Mass 1st Sunday March, June, September at 12pm
Youth (12 to 17 years Old)	2nd & 4th Friday of the month 7pm In the Bugler Centre

**For more information please contact the
 Parish Office on 098346677
 hfparish@xtra.co.nz**

St. Josephine Bakhita

From Slave to Saint

She was known for her smile, gentleness and holiness. This African flower, who knew the anguish of kidnapping and slavery, bloomed marvelously in Italy, in response to God's grace, with the Daughters of Charity, where everyone still calls her "Mother Moretta" (our Black Mother).

Date of birth: 1869
Birthplace: Dartur, Sudan
Died: 8 February 1947
Age: 79

1869

Josephine Bakhita was born in a small village in the Dartur region of Sudan.

1875

Kidnapped at the age of seven, sold into slavery and given the name Bakhita which means "fortunate". She was re-sold several times.

1883

Sold to the Italian Consul, Callisto Legnani.

1885

Traveled to Italy. Given to Augusto Michieli.

1888

Became babysitter to Mimmina Michieli, whom she accompanied to Venice's Institute of the Catechumens, run by the Canossian Sisters.

1890

Felt drawn to the Catholic Church, she was Baptized and Confirmed taking the name Josephine.

When the Michielis returned from Africa and wanted to take Mimmina and Josephine back with them, she refused to go.

During the ensuing court case, the Canossian sisters and the patriarch of Venice intervened on Josephine's behalf.

The judge concluded that since slavery was illegal in Italy, she had actually been free since 1885.

"If I were to meet the slave-traders who kidnapped me and even those who tortured me, I would kneel and kiss their hands, for if that did not happen, I would not be a Christian and Religious today."

1893

Entered the Canossian Novitiate in Venice.

1896

She took her vows.

1902

Assigned to the Canossian convent at Schio.

1947

8 February: Holy Death - Schio.

2000

Josephine was canonized on October 1st by Pope John Paul II. She is the first person to be canonized from Sudan and is the patron saint of the country.



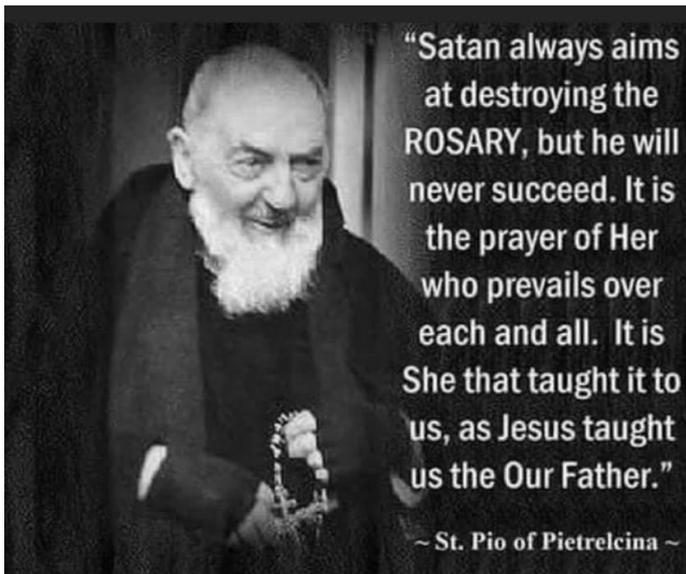
Feast Day February 8

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The devil is like a rabid dog tied to a chain; beyond the length of the chain he cannot seize anyone.

And you: keep at a distance. If you approach too near, you let yourself be caught. Remember that the devil has only one door by which to enter the soul: the will.

St Pio of Pietrelcina



"Satan always aims at destroying the ROSARY, but he will never succeed. It is the prayer of Her who prevails over each and all. It is She that taught it to us, as Jesus taught us the Our Father."

~ St. Pio of Pietrelcina ~

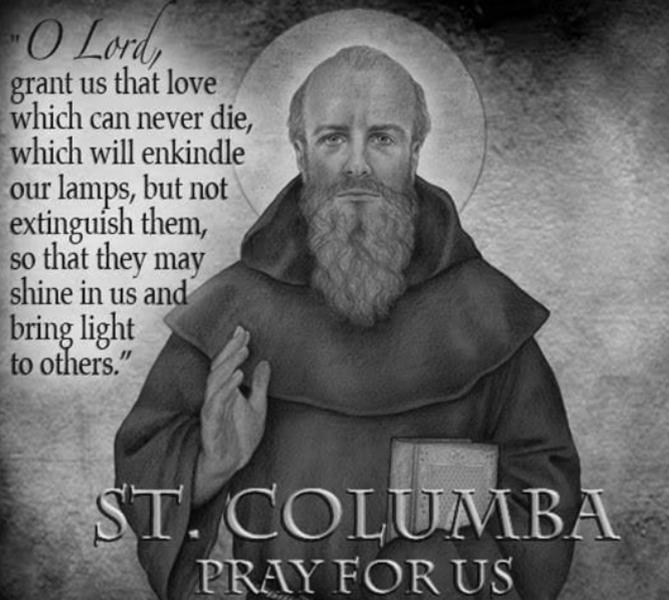
He who works with his hands is a laborer. He who works with his hands and his head is a craftsman.

He who works with his hands, his head, and his heart, is an artist.

—St. Francis of Assisi

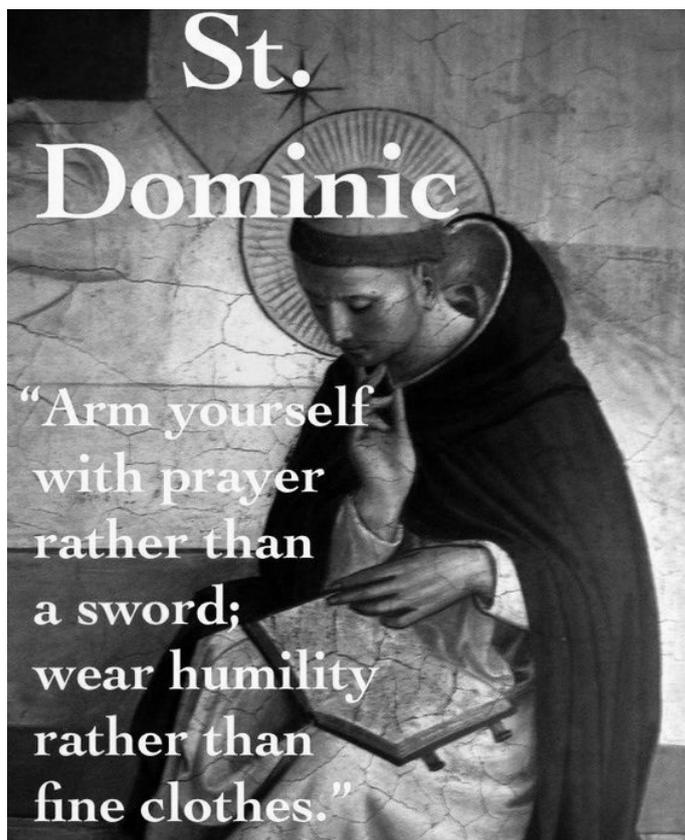
"At communion we ought to ask for the remedy of the vice to which we feel ourselves most inclined."

St Philip Neri



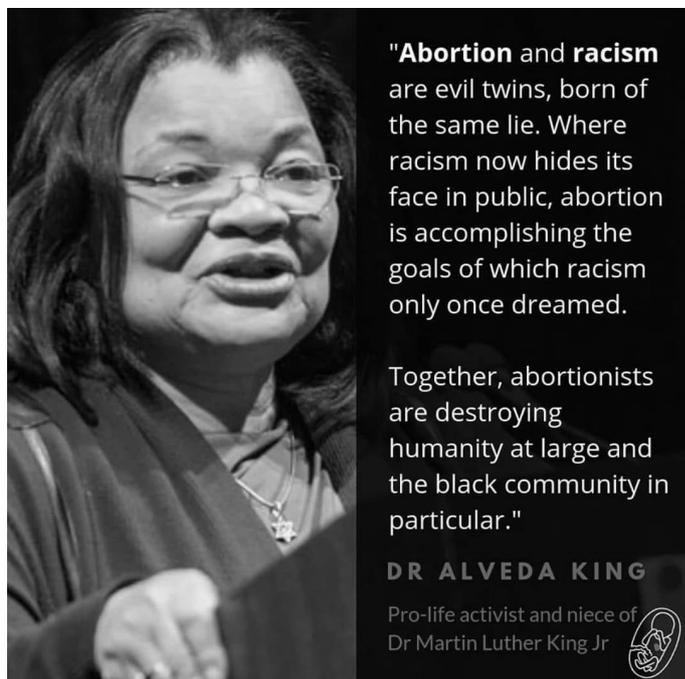
"O Lord, grant us that love which can never die, which will enkindle our lamps, but not extinguish them, so that they may shine in us and bring light to others."

ST. COLUMBA
PRAY FOR US



St.
Dominic

"Arm yourself with prayer rather than a sword; wear humility rather than fine clothes."



"Abortion and racism are evil twins, born of the same lie. Where racism now hides its face in public, abortion is accomplishing the goals of which racism only once dreamed.

Together, abortionists are destroying humanity at large and the black community in particular."

DR ALVEDA KING

Pro-life activist and niece of Dr Martin Luther King Jr



PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

Gather, Lord, Your people,
called to be Your Bride,
formed by Blood and Water
flowing from Your side,
joined with You in baptism,
washed to give rebirth,
she filled with Your Spirit,
shall renew the earth.

You the one true Shepherd,
searching for the lost,
You the Lamb of offering,
counting not the cost,
You have called each one by name,
each Your precious choice,
May we enter by Your gate,
listening to your voice.

At Your mother's pleading,
You gave finest wine,
Now Your Church implores You,
Jesus fruitful vine.
Heed the thirsting of her heart,
and bring forth a flood,
Open wide the fountain
of Your Precious Blood.

Send Your Holy Spirit,
by that Blood outpoured,
making us one Body,
Temple of the Lord.
With Your sev'n fold gifts descend,
font of Charity, that we may cry
"Abba", and true children be.

OFFERTORY HYMN:

Come down, O love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own
ardor glowing.
O Comforter, draw near, within my
heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy
flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
til earthly passions turn to dust
and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let thy glorious light shine ever on
my sight, and clothe me round, the
while my path illuming.

Let holy charity mine outward vesture
be, and lowliness become my inner
clothing; True lowliness of heart,
which takes the humble part,
And o'er its own shortcomings
weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong, with which
the soul will long shall far outpass
the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
till Love create a place wherein
the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

COMMUNION HYMN:

No more, Lord, may we walk apart,
Restore me Jesus to your embrace,
make Your tabernacle my heart,
and deep within me Your dwelling
place.

Then will my love become true,
and my heart burn with the purest
flame,
for I would live not for me but You,
and glorify the Father's name,
For I would live not for me but You,
and glorify the Father's name.

Contented to be with my Lord,
my Saviour who gave His life for me,
O that all creation adored in holiness
and humility.

This age has many messiahs,
all the while seeking to fill its need,
but I have found what my soul desires,
the Bread of Life does truly feed.
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Your cross, O Christ has set us free,
has shown to sinners a loving face.
The pow'r of sin can no more be,
if all but welcome this healing grace.
Faced now with death and with hate,
may I love even the sinners worst,
that through my love they may
contemplate
You who alone will quench their thirst.
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RECESSIONAL HYMN:

Hail, Queen of heav'n, the ocean star,
Guide of the wand'rer here below;
Thrown on life's surge,
we claim thy care:
Save us from peril and from woe
Mother of Christ, star of the sea.
Pray for the wand'rer, pray for me.

O gentle, chaste, and spotless maid,
We sinners make our prayers
through thee; Remind thy son that he
has paid The price of our iniquity.
Virgin most pure, start of the sea,
Prayer for the sinner, pray for me.

Sojourners in this vale of tears,
To thee, blest advocate, we cry:
Pity our sorrows, calm our fears,
And soothe with hope our misery.
Refuge in grief, star of the sea,
Pray for the mourner, pray for me.

NEXT SUNDAY:**14th February 2021****6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr B)***Lev 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Cor 10:31-11:1;**Mk 1:40-45;***LITURGY ROSTER**

Readers: R. Lopez, B. Molloy
Prayers of the Faithful: E. O'brien
Offertory: Hatzaw Family
Special Ministers: P. Vernon

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

Thotawattage Family

SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER

Tongan Community

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**9 Feb:** *Angela Niumata***10 Feb:** *Janette Barker,*
*Beverley Sharpe, Richard Culas***11 Feb:** *Francis Sharkey***13 Feb:** *Lorna Moros***PARISH FINANCES**

Parish	\$1,040.80
Priests	\$520.40
Total Cash	\$1561.20

HOLY FAMILY NOTICES

Catechism Classes start today! meet in the Bugler Centre after the 9:30am Mass to be assigned to your classes for 2021.

Sunday Cup of Tea: You are invited to come to the Hall after the 9:30am Mass.

Sacramental Programme 2020: First Reconciliation- 27th February 2021 at 4pm in the Bugler Centre, *please note: If you would like your child to receive Confirmation and First Holy Communion, they would need to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation first.* Please register with Ellen on 8346677 or hfparish@xtra.co.nz. The deadline for registrations close 6th March.

House of Nazareth for pre-schoolers and home schoolers: Usually the 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month from 11am-2.30pm in the Parish Hall. However, this month February the House of Nazareth will start on Friday 12th February. All are welcome, just bring a plate to share.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Mount Tabor Trust (L'Arche Mount Tabor) is seeking Board members. for more detail about this opportunity visit <https://seekvolunteer.co.nz/volunteering/17330>, for more about Mount Tabor visit <https://mt-tabor.org.nz/>

40 Days for Life: February 17 to March 28 – Monday to Saturday – 7am to 7pm. To find out more and sign up for your prayer hour(s) please visit fli.org.nz/40daysforlife or contact Michelle 027 526 1199 or michelle@fli.org.nz