DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 26th October 7.30pm Cake Decorators Meeting

29th October Fr Tang's Birthday this day! **Thursday**

1st November St Vincent de Paul Meeting Sunday 5.00pm

ALL SAINTS DAY

9:00am Mass at St Patrick's Greymouth Monday 2nd November

ALL SOULS DAY



Masses have been requested and offered for:

ANNIVERSARY

Thressia Fr Sony Ettil Jinto Joseph Ernest De Mel Lakshman Cooray Monica Thachankary Anita Thachankary

> RECENT Frances Buckley

PLANNED GIVING

Parish \$1391.30 **Clergy Trust Fund** \$ 695.00 **Building & Maint Fund** \$ 200.00 **Mission Sunday** \$ 705.00 Fr Dan - Pakistan Donations \$1952.90

Today's Counting Team Parish Office

Next Week's Counting Team C Kelly

4th SUNDAY CUPPA

25th October 2020

HOSTS: Parish Council



All welcome!

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

Parish Priest: Fr Mathew Siji MCBS Ph 022 3017976

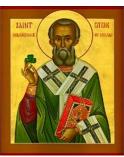
Fr Tang Phan Ph 027 9201720

Parish Secretary: Margaret Curragh Parish Treasurer: Denise Coll-Dwyer

Youth Group Leader:

Chairperson Parish Council: Kevin Boddy Chairperson Parish Finance Committee: Michael Curragh

St Patrick's Primary School: Acting Principal - Mrs Carmel Kelly Ph 7687830 John Paul II High School: Principal - Dave Sullivan Ph 7684166



30th Sunday Ordinary Time

Year A | 25th October 2020

LIFE CHANGING COMMANDMENTS

The Catholic Parish of Greymouth

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This Sunday, the Church reminds us of our "attitude before life". Jesus Christ replies to the Pharisee with the beginning of the Shema: prayer formed by two verses from the Deuteronomy and one from the Numbers, which fervent Jews had to say at least twice a day. By reciting it during their daily chores, they become God conscious, while remembering the most important thing in their lives: To love God, our Lord, above "everything and everyone" and our neighbour as ourselves. Similarly, we see in the New Testament, Jesus Christ gives us a "new commandment": to love each other as He loves us, with "divine strength".

On the one hand, we need decision to practice this sweet commandment - which more than a commandment is delight and capacity - in dealing with others: people and things, work and leisure, spirit and matter, because they all are God's creatures.

On the other hand, by being infused with God's Love, that overfills all our being, we are able to respond to the divine contents of this Love. Through the Spirit we acquire a likeness to God; indeed, we attain what is beyond our most sublime aspirations: we become God! Let us truly hope so!

God bless you.

Fr Mathew

Next Week's Readings 31st Sunday Ordinary Time 1st Nov 20

1st Reading: REVELATION 7:2-4, 9-14 St John in his vision sees a great multitude from every nation clothed in white robes obtained on account of their faith in Christ crucified.

2nd Reading: JOHN 2:7-9, 13 St John teaches us that when the Lord Jesus appears again we shall be like him for we are God's children.

Gospel: MATTHEW 5: 1-12 The beatitudes form the summit of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. They project qualities and experiences that are essential to build a good Christian conduct. .

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 6pm Greymouth (every Saturday)

Sunday Mass 8am Cobden (every Sunday)

9.30am Greymouth (every Sunday)

11am Ngahere (1st & 3rd Sundays)

> 11am Kumara (4th Sunday)

Weekday Masses

All Greymouth

5.30pm Tuesday

9am Wednesday

9am Thursday

12.10pm Friday

9am Saturday

Adoration

All Fridays 11:30am - 12pm

First Fridays 9:00am - 12pm

Reconciliation

9.30am - 10am Saturday or by appointment

PARISH NOTICES



CONGRATULATIONS to all those who were confirmed and received their First Holy Communion last Sunday.

May the Father watch over them, The Son always bless them And the Holy Spirit always guide them.

To everyone who made the day so special - those who prepared our candidates, created the floral displays, played the music, dressed the church, prepared a plate, served the cups of tea, tidied up and worked behind the scenes - *thank you*.

FR TANG PHAN'S FIRST MASS THIS WEEKEND

| St Patrick's Church | Kumara | Saturday the 24th | 5:00pm |
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| St Patrick's Church | Greymouth | Sunday the 25th | 9.30am |
| Sacred Heart Church | Ngahere | Sunday the 25th | 11:00am |

FILIPPINO MASS Sunday the 1st November 2020 at 6pm in St Patricks Church. You are most welcome to the dinner afterwards in the Parish Centre.

OCTOBER - THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY The Rosary was begun by St Dominic in the thirteenth century. The Rosary is a prayer for our journey through life. During the month of October let us endeavor to pray the rosary as an

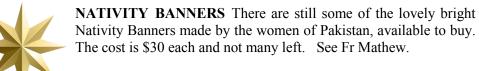
individual or a group.

OFFERING MASS FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION: It is a praiseworthy tradition to have Mass offered for a special intention and especially for the happy repose of a person who has died. Fill in the details on an envelope and give to a priest. If the Mass is being offered for someone who has died, their name will be published in the newsletter so others may pray for them as well. It is usual to make an offering to the priest of \$10 for each Mass offered. **Mass Cards** are available from the parish office: \$2.50 each.

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF REMEMBERING OF ALL SOULS.

Catholics have long seen this month as a time for remembering the Communion of Saints and praying for all the Souls gone before us. A Holy Souls Box will be available in each Church to place the names of those to be remembered. (No monetary offering is required during this time). Each Mass in November will be offered for the peaceful repose of their souls.

They have gone no further from us than to God, and God is very near.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE RAFFLE The ladies will be selling raffle tickets at the weekend Masses in Greymouth next weekend - 31st October / 1st November. The CWL always have great raffles - their prizes almost as wonderful as their fundraising causes.

FOR SALE for sale FOR SALE for sale FOR SALE

2021 Columban Calendars \$12.00 each St Vincent de Paul Christmas Cards \$2.50 pack of 5

Available at the Parish Office and after Masses

NEW LITURGY ROSTER: Is available in the church foyer this weekend. Please take one and check to see what Masses you and your family are on. If you are unable to do your turn please swap with someone. It begins 31st October through to 31st January 2021.

Please note this roster only requires

One person for the Extraordinary Minister of Communion

The Parish Pastoral Council have decided that while the Covid-19 Pandemic continues, the Precious Blood Chalice will not be available until further notice.

FIRE DRILL: Sunday 8th November 2020 there will be a fire drill during the 9.30am Mass. Everyone will need to process out into the car park. No one will be permitted to stay in the Church.



IF YOU ARE GOING INTO HOSPITAL It is important when a family member enters hospital, that their next of kin or carer, makes sure they are registered as Catholic. Due to privacy laws, some hospitals no longer provide names of Catholic



patients to our Catholic Chaplains. If a patient or a family wishes to see the Catholic hospital chaplain please ask the ward staff to ensure that the chaplain is contacted. If you know you will be entering hospital then you are able to ask your parish priest to anoint you prior to going into hospital. A Catholic priest is always available for urgent calls by asking hospital staff to contact him.