

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*O God, give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice, that he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement.*

*In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails: He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to earth's bounds.*

*For he shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor.*

*May his name be blessed for ever and endure like the sun. Every tribe shall be blessed in him, all nations bless his name.*

**ROSTERS NOW READY** - Please collect Church Carers, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Greeters & Collectors rosters from the table at the back of the church.

Thank you

12<sup>th</sup> December, 2010

<i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>	9.00am	7.00pm
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Sophie Ballard, Jade Lima, Tim Maguire	Madeline Humm, Julia Grace Sullivan, Dominic Sullivan
<b>PROJECTIONISTS</b>	Mary Anne Miller	James Maguire
<b>PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS</b>	P.F.G.	Sullivan Family
<b>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</b>	T Conner, V Brownlee, J Morrison	P Consedine, M McCormick, H Potter
<b>READERS</b>	K Whitburn, K Searle	Cook Family
<b>PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL</b>	Tony Shaw	
<b>GREETERS &amp; COLLECTORS</b>	P.F.G.	P & S Consedine
<b>ENVELOPE COUNTERS</b>	<b>Counter:</b> Pat Maloney	<b>Banker:</b> Jofreyn Acayan
<b>SUNDAY MORNING TEA</b>	Pat Parrott	
<b>CHILDRENS LITURGY</b>	Jussy & Paul Sullivan	
<b>FLOWERS (December 11<sup>th</sup>)</b>	Mary Kirby, Pat Maloney	
<b>CHURCH CARERS: (December 11<sup>th</sup>)</b>	A Siave, P Shaw, L Hooker	

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**NEW PARISHIONERS** We welcome you to our Parish!

Please make yourself known to us by completing the form below and leaving it in the collection basket. May you find friendship, warmth and Catholic fulfillment in our community.

**Name:** .....

**Phone No:** ..... **Email:** .....

**Address:** .....

Our Parish is part of the **Christchurch South Pastoral Area** comprising the parishes of Addington, Akaroa, Beckenham, Halswell & Hoon Hay.

**MASS TIMES**

**Sunday observance**

Sunday 9.00am & 7.00pm

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday: 8.30 am

Tuesday: 8.30 am

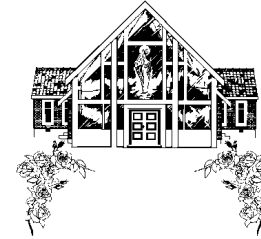
Wednesday: 7.00 pm

Thursday: 8.30 am

Friday: 11.15 am

Saturday: 8.00 am

*A Funeral Mass will take the place of the scheduled Weekday Mass.*



**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Friday

10.00 – 11.00am

**RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 11.00 – 11.30am

anytime by appointment

**OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH**

170 Hoon Hay Road, Christchurch

Parish Priest, Father Bernard Carney SM, Phone 338 8624

Email: carneybsm@now.net.nz

Father Peter Ewart SM (*In Residence*) Father Peter Blake SM (*In Residence*)

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**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

5<sup>th</sup> December, 2010

**PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS**

Lord Jesus,

you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.

Look with love on grandparents the world over.

Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society.

Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardian of noble domestic ideals, living treasuries of sound religious traditions.

Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus,

help families and society

to value the presence and roles of grandparents.

May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love.

Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them.

Mary, Mother of all the living,

keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end.

**Amen.**

(Intercom November, 2010)

## **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS YEAR A**

Third Sunday of Advent - 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2010

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: *Is 35:1-6, 10*; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: *James 5:7-10*; Gospel: *Matthew 11:2-11*;

## **FEAST DAYS OF THIS WEEK**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December: *St Nicholas*

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December: *St Ambrose*

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December: **THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December: *St Juan Diego*

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December: *St Damasus I*

## **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Please pray for Father Paddy Cahill, Father Bernie Goulding, Father Paul Duncan, Msgr Tom Power and those who are sick in our Parish community. If you have family or friends you would particularly like mentioned in the Bulletin, please let us know at the Parish Office. Ph: 338 8624.

*In your great love please pray for  
Rose Dineen (Rec Dec); Margaret Tsoukatos (Rec Dec);  
John McCafferey (Rec Dec); Elizabeth Smyth (Anniv.);  
R. I. P.*

## **PARISH GIVING:**

28/11/2010 Clergy Trust Fund: \$290.00 Parish: \$585.10

## **ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS COLLECTION**

A gentle reminder that the last collection date for the labelled presents and non-perishable food will be Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you for helping SVP so we can help others on your behalf.

Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Altar Servers, Projectionists, Greeters, People who take up the Gifts and Ushers are needed for the Christmas Masses **Vigil [24<sup>th</sup> December] 8.00pm & Christmas Day 9.00am**. We need to know your availability as soon as possible. Please include your name on the list located in the church foyer.

**ADORATION** – Please note that the First Thursday Adoration ceased on 2<sup>nd</sup> December and will resume in February 2011.

## **First Holy Communion 2011**

A meeting for parents/caregivers (children do not need to attend) of children wishing to make their First Holy Communion next year in 2011 will be held in Room 6 at OLA School this Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2010 at 7pm. It is important that you attend this meeting as we will outline the programme for you and give you a timetable of series of events leading up to the First Holy Communion day. Children wishing to make their First Communion must be baptised. They need to be in year 4 in 2011 or older. Any queries please phone Megan Andrews Ph 338-2664.

## **Advance Notices . . .**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION RITE II** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm

**A MASS OF ANOINTING** will be celebrated on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 11.15am. Elderly and infirm especially welcome.

A gentle reminder that **flowers will be needed for Christmas** – details in next weekend's newsletter.

**DID YOU KNOW** that, in his working document "The Ongoing Provision of Sunday Mass in the Diocese", Bishop Barry proposes that Hoon Hay and Halswell Parishes amalgamate with one parish priest, one parish council, one finance committee and one liturgy committee?

**DID YOU ALSO KNOW** that Our Lady of the Assumption Parish stands to lose its Sunday evening Mass in the proposal?

The Parish Council invites you to a Forum which will be held on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December after morning Mass. The purpose of this Forum is to discuss this document and the proposals it contains. Copies of this document are available at the back of the church or can be downloaded from the Diocesan website ([www.chch.catholic.org.nz/](http://www.chch.catholic.org.nz/)). Submissions close on 28<sup>th</sup> February and, with the Christmas season fast approaching, this may be your only opportunity to have a say in the future of our Parish. We encourage you to read this document and share your thoughts with us. If you require further information please contact Howard (Ph: 942 5660 or email [howard.potter@cdhb.govt.nz](mailto:howard.potter@cdhb.govt.nz))

**ROSARY HOUSE PROGRAMME: IN YOU WE LIVE, AND MOVE, AND HAVE OUR BEING: Tasting God through Prayer of Contemplation.**

**A day of prayer using the text of the 14C book 'The Cloud of Unknowing'. Fr Gerard Whiteford sm - Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December 10am - 4pm. Cost \$40.**

For bookings ring Rosary House 379 1298 or email [roho@xtra.co.nz](mailto:roho@xtra.co.nz)

(Please note the change of venue - The programme will be held at the Mary Potter Community Centre, 442 Durham Street North, St Albans).

## **A Summer Holiday in scenic Geraldine:**

The **GERALDINE PRESBYTERY** is available for rental by parishioners during the year. Bookings are still available from February 2011. The house is furnished, with a good kitchen. There are 3 bedrooms; BYO linen/towels. Cost: \$55/night. For bookings - contact: Mrs Margaret Bray; phone: 03.693-9688; [margrighbray@clear.net.nz](mailto:margrighbray@clear.net.nz)

## ***Diocesan Notices . . . .***

### **HOUSEHOLD DONATIONS REQUIRED**

A new Community called the *Community of St John* has just arrived in the Diocese and is taking up residence in the old convent at the Parish of St Teresa's, Riccarton. The parish urgently require some furniture, food to stock the pantry, bedding, linen for bedrooms and bathrooms, kitchen utensils etc. For donations of household goods or furniture please contact the Parish Office on 348 6456, email [stteresas@xtra.co.nz](mailto:stteresas@xtra.co.nz)

### **CATHOLIC SHOP ADVENT SUPPLIES**

The Catholic Shop now has stocks of the new Mass and Psalm book available along with cards, calendars and candles for Advent and Christmas. Phone/fax the Manager, Bernard Wilkins, at 366 2853.

**SOUNDS CATHOLIC** - This week, we offer a tribute to Bishop John Cunneen whose requiem was on Wednesday 17 November. We'll listen to a beautiful homily given by Bishop Basil Meeking and feature audio from the requiem. Hear us on Sundays, 12.00pm & 10.00pm on Plains fm 96.9. You can listen on-line at: [www.chch.catholic.org.nz/radio](http://www.chch.catholic.org.nz/radio)

***Please refer to the notice board in foyer for Diocesan and other notices.***

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