

# Mercy Parish ~ Whanau Aroha

3rd February  
2019

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**Parish Priests:**

## Sunday Masses at St Patrick's Basilica

**3 February 2019 Year C**

**4th Sunday OT**

6.00 pm Basilica (Vigil)

9.30 am

11.00 am

**10 February 2019 Year C**

**5th Sunday OT**

6.00 pm Basilica (Vigil)

9.30 am

11.00 am

**Weekday Masses in the  
Mercy Chapel  
Monday - Saturday at 9.00 am**

**Mass Intentions** Please contact the Parish Office or  
place in an envelope in the collection tray if wishing to  
arrange for a Mass to be offered, specifying the preferred  
day and place.

**Reconciliation:** 11.30-12 noon Saturday in the Basilica

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

11.00am—12 noon

First Saturday of the month in the Mercy Chapel

**Children's Liturgy:** There is no Children's Liturgy during  
January in the Mercy Parish. It will start up again at the  
9.30am Masses in February.

## I am still learning

The school holidays have come to an end! We wish all the children from our parish the very best as they return to school this week and embark on another year of learning. It seems to me that children today are more enthusiastic about returning to school than I ever was. In their keenness to learn the children are a good example to us all.

Later this month the Parish Pastoral Council will have its first meeting of the year. One thing we will be discussing is what opportunities there are for learning within the parish that we can create and promote this year. It would be great if we could all commit ourselves to take up an opportunity or two this year to learn something new about our faith and about the person of Jesus. In today's gospel the people of Jesus home town struggle to see him in a new way. He is too familiar to them. And, yet, when people see Jesus in a new and deeper way he is able to bring healing and freedom. How can we learn more about him and what it means to be a follower of Jesus this year?

The title of this reflection comes from a quote from Sir John Monash and is the motto of Monash University in Australia. It is a good motto for a university. It is also a good motto for us as Christians.

Fr Gerard

## We Prayerfully Remember

**those who have died recently**

Pauline Paardekooper 9.30

Peter Gilmour

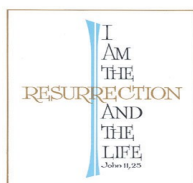
Len Doherty

**and those who have anniversaries at  
this time**

Evangeline Ranosa (Vigil)

Edgardo Murallos (Vigil)

Agnes McCormack



## **Sick and Housebound Parishioners:**

If you are unable to come to Mass on a Sunday or know of parishioners who are no longer able to come to Mass please let us know so Holy Communion can be taken to them.

**Please contact the Parish Office, Ph. 455 8933  
or Adrienne Ryan, Ph. 476 1520**

## **Parish Pastoral Council – Calling for Nominations**

We are calling for nominations for four new members of the Parish Pastoral Council. Please consider who you believe could serve the parish on the PPC over the next three years. The PPC gathers once a month to pray, reflect and discuss how we can continue to live out our call to serve our whānau both within the parish and the wider community.

Please complete the following and place in the collection basket over the next three weeks. Nominations close on February 11.

I would like to nominate:

Your name:

Congratulations to  
Sr Jan Ogilvy OP on her 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee of  
Religious Profession

HEALING SEMINAR WITH FATHER John Rea  
Father John Rea who has a world renowned healing ministry is coming to Mercy Parish South Dunedin on Friday February 22nd at 7pm for a Healing Meeting and Saturday February 23rd from 9.30am till 3pm approx for a Healing Seminar There will be a shared lunch. This is a great opportunity to receive prayer for healing of any physical emotional or mental afflictions. Scores of people around the world have attributed miraculous healings to the prayers of New Zealand Marist Priest Father John over the past 40 years. If you or someone you know is in need of healing mentally, physically, or spiritually please spread the word and join us. **THROUGH JESUS FAITH AND MIRACLES HAPPEN**. For further information Phone Kathy 034737115 or Mary 034556238.

### Service in Mercy Parish 2019

In our Liturgies, Practical  
&  
Pastoral

Information sheets are available in the foya. If you would like to be involved in any of these services please fill out one and put it in the collection basket.

**Mercy Community Garden** The community gardeners will be having a tidy up and replanting session in the garden on 7 February. If anyone has any spare vegetable seedlings or seeds they are willing to donate that would be a big help and much appreciated. Plants can be left at Catholic Social Services or please contact Paul Barham at CSS ( ph 4553838) or Lynne Toomey ( ph 4545276).



### ALPHA

ALPHA is a world renowned programme that assists people in exploring the Christian faith. Our diocese is keen to start running the ALPHA and so provide the opportunity for members of our community to discover the Good News of Jesus. We are really keen that a small group from our parish learn some more about this course. If you are interested please see Fr Gerard.

**There will be a day of training held on Thursday Feb 28th in the Mercy Room at the St. Patrick's Community Centre, 42 Macandrew Road.** It is an all day and evening workshop with two sessions. The all-day session, **1:30pm-6:00pm**, is to learn to run the alpha retreat day/weekend and the evening session (**7:00pm-9:30pm**) is to learn how to run the weekly small group sessions.

**St Bernadette's Leisure Group:** St Bernadette's Leisure Group invites you to join them for lunch at Mitchells Tavern at 12 noon on Monday 4th January 2019. All welcome, please contact Joanne Steele 4879294.

**Mens Breakfast:** Friday 8th February at 7.00 am in the Mercy Room. Come and join us to reflect on the weekly gospel reading and enjoy a cooked breakfast.

### Monthly International Rosary 2019:

Our monthly ( First Tuesday of the month) International Rosary will once again commence on Tuesday, 5th February at St. Peter Chanel Church in Green Island at 7.00 pm. We'll look forward to seeing you all again. Fr. Michael will finish with Benediction.

Situation Vacant:  
Catholic Pastoral Centre  
300 Rattray St, Dunedin  
Cleaner

A cleaner is required for this easy to are for office building. The position requires two cleans per week, on a Wednesday and Saturday with total hours of 6.5 pw. Applications close on the 12<sup>th</sup> February. For more information please contact Paulne Lee on 4745750 or [paulinel@cdd.org.nz](mailto:paulinel@cdd.org.nz)

9-10 February	Vigil	9.30am	11.00am
Team Leader	George Morris	Linh Ashton	Ray Paterson
Greeters	Derrick Railton	Mary Roache Lee-Ann Henry	Laraine Cuttance
Readers Prayers of the faithful	Kerry Sinclair George Morris John Chapman	Dione Price Terry Tourell Adrienne Ryan	Melanie Su'a Teresa Su'a
Projector	George Morris	Lashaan Ashton	Ray Paterson
Off/ Collection	Derrick Railton Peter Rielly	Toomey Family	Laraine Cuttance Maria Parsons
Altar Servers		Kalo Ashton Kyla Ashton Hermione Sparks Halaina Sparks	Teuila Tasi- Cordtz Saira Eldho
Eucharitic Ministers	Derrick Railton Rob Duffy Katrina Kerr- Bell	Phil Walsh Meli Iaseto Josie McAdam	Ed Hayes Dorothy Jacob- son Letty De Bono
Sacristan	George Morris	Lee-Ann Morris Ann-Marie Taylor	Maria Parsons June Watt
Childrens Liturgy			
Organist			
Morning Tea		Sr Susie & Denise	Ed & Ray
Counters		B Delaney, R Coles, A Suther- land	