

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:**

Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray, teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.

As thou with Satan didst contend and didst the vict'ry win, O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to conquer sin.

As thou didst hunger bear and thirst, so teach us, gracious Lord, to die to self, and chiefly live by thy most holy word.

And through these days of penitence, and through thy Passion tide, yea, evermore, in life and death, Jesus! with us abide.

Abide with us, that so, this life of suffering o'er past, an Easter of unending joy we may attain at last!

**OFFERTORY HYMN:**

God of Mercy and Compassion, Look with pity upon me, Father let me call Thee Father, 'Tis thy child returns to Thee.

*Jesus Lord, I ask for mercy; let me not implore in vain; All my sins, I now detest them, never will I sin again.*

See our Saviour, bleeding, dying, on the cross of Calvary; To that cross my sins have nail'd Him, yet bleeds and dies for me.

Lord, make me to know thy ways, O Lord. O Lord, teach me thy paths, O Lord. O lead me in thy truth, and teach me, for thou art the God of my salvation.

**AMEN:**



**COMMUNION HYMN:**

Lord Jesus, think on me, And purge away my sin; From earth bound passion set me free, And make me pure within.

Lord Jesus, think on me, by care and woe oppressed; Let me your loving servant be, And taste your promised rest.

Lord Jesus, think on me, Amid the bitter strife; through all my pain and misery become my health and life

Lord Jesus, think on me, nor let me go astray; through darkness and perplexity point to the heavenly way.

Lord Jesus, think on me, that, when the trial is past, I may your radiant glory see, and share your joy at last.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:**

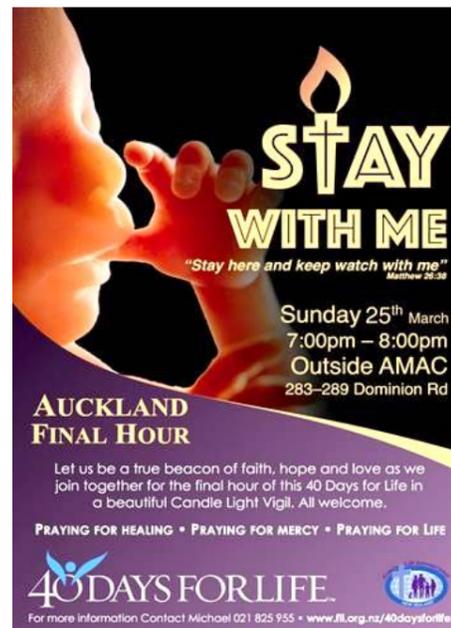
Forty Days and forty nights Thou wast fasting in the wild; Forty Days and forty nights Tempted, and yet undefiled.

Shall not we thy sorrow share, And from earthly joys abstain, Fasting with unceasing prayer, Glad with thee to suffer pain?

And if Satan, vexing sore, Flesh or spirit should assail, Thou, his Vanquisher before, Grant we may not faint nor fail.

So shall we have peace divine: Holier gladness ours shall be; Round us, too, shall angels shine, Such as ministered to thee.

Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear, Ever constant by thy side; That with thee we may appear At the eternal Eastertide.



**Don't forget the 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil: From 8am to 8pm every day until 25th March across the road from AMAC abortion facility 283-289 Dominion Road Mt. Eden, We need volunteers to take shifts to offer prayers. To sign up, please visit [fli.org.nz/40daysforlife](http://fli.org.nz/40daysforlife) or text "40 Days" to 021825955.**

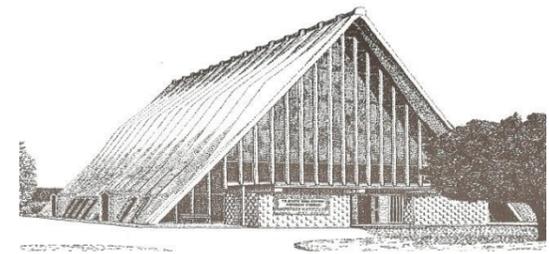
**LITANY OF TRUST IN JESUS**

- From the belief that I have to earn Your love **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From the fear that I am unlovable **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From the false security that I have what it takes **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From the fear that trusting You will leave me more destitute **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From all suspicion of Your words and promises **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From the rebellion against childlike dependency on You **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From refusals and reluctances in accepting Your will **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From anxiety about the future **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From resentment or excessive preoccupation with the past **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From restless self-seeking in the present moment **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From disbelief in Your love and presence **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From the fear of being asked to give more than I have **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From the belief that my life has no meaning or worth **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From the fear of what love demands **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- From discouragement **Deliver me, Jesus.**
- That You are continually holding me sustaining me, loving me **Jesus, I trust in you.**
- That Your love goes deeper than my sins and failings, and transforms me **Jesus, I trust in you.**
- That not knowing what tomorrow brings is an invitation to lean on You **Jesus, I trust in you.**
- That you are with me in my suffering **Jesus, I trust in you.**
- That my suffering, united to Your own, will bear fruit in this life and the next **Jesus, I trust in you.**
- That You will not leave me orphan, that You are present in Your Church **Jesus, I trust in you.**
- That Your plan is better than anything else **Jesus, I trust in you.**
- That You always hear me and in Your goodness always respond to me **Jesus, I trust in you.**
- That You give me the grace to accept forgiveness and to forgive others **Jesus, I trust in you.**
- That You give me all the strength I need for what is asked **Jesus, I trust in you.**
- That my life is a gift **Jesus, I trust in you.**
- That You will teach me to trust You **Jesus, I trust in you.**
- That You are my Lord and my God **Jesus, I trust in you.**
- That I am Your beloved one **Jesus, I trust in you.**

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH

5th Sunday of Lent

18th March 2018



**First Reading. Jeremiah 31:31-34;**

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel (and the House of Judah), but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive – it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, 'Learn to know the Lord!' No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest – it is the Lord who speaks – since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

**Responsorial Psalm. Psalm 50(51):3-4,12-15;**

*R. Create a clean heart in me O God.*

Have mercy on me God in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from guilt and cleanse me from my sin. *R.*

A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit. *R.*

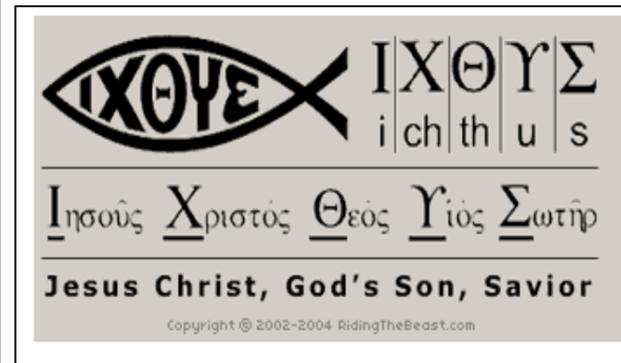
Give me again joy of your help; with a fervour sustain me, that I may teach transgressors your ways and sinners may return to you. *R.*

**Second Reading. Hebrews 5:7-9;**

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

**Gospel. John 12:20-33;**

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, 'Sir, we should like to see Jesus.' Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them: 'Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you, most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest. Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life. If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled. What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour? But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name!' A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, 'It was an angel speaking to him.' Jesus answered, 'It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours. 'Now sentence is being passed on this world; now the prince of this world is to be overthrown. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all men to myself.' By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.



A Christogram is a monogram or combination of letters that forms an abbreviation for the name of Jesus Christ. One of the oldest Christograms is the Chi-Rho. It consists of the superimposed Greek letters chi (X) and rho (P), which are the first two letters of Greek χριστός "Christ". The name Jesus is spelt "ΙΗΣΟΥΣ" in Greek capitals, & has the abbreviations IHS (also written JHS, IHC, or IHS) from the first 3 letters. In Eastern Christianity, the most widely used Christogram is a four-letter abbreviation, IC XC, a traditional abbreviation of the Greek words for "Jesus Christ", the first and last letters of each word "IHC OYC XPICTOC".



# CHRISTIAN BRIDAL SHOP WON'T CAVE TO BULLIES

by Anita Carey • ChurchMilitant.com • March 8, 2018

BLOOMSBURG, Penn. (ChurchMilitant.com) - A Pennsylvania bridal shop is refusing to submit to gay activists' bullying, closing the shop rather than going against the Christian faith.

Seven people will be out of work after Victoria Miller and her family close their boutique on March 30 this year, after four years of threats and intimidation by gay militants and LGBT supporters. The *W.W. Bridal Boutique* in Bloomsburg has been the target of hundreds of hateful emails and phone calls since 2014 when they turned away a lesbian couple shopping for dresses for their wedding.

In July 2017, after the store politely refused to help Shannon Kennedy and Julie Ann Samanas with wedding gowns for their same-sex wedding, the amount of harassment ramped up.

The shop owners themselves are no longer offering public comment so Church Militant spoke with Carla D'Addesi, friend of the shop owners and founder of *Defend My Privacy*. Victoria Miller (the shop owner) asked D'Addesi to publish a video explaining their story, because she didn't want to speak publicly about the harassment at this time.

Some of the messages are posted on *W.W. Bridal's* Facebook page and in D'Addesi's latest video show a viciousness that D'Addesi says is "demonic." Kennedy, one of the lesbians, claims an employee asked if the dress was for a same-sex wedding, and then said, "I don't know if you've heard, but we're Christian and we don't believe in that; our faith doesn't let us believe in that." D'Addesi added, "These were local lesbians that came in and targeted them, so unless their heads were in the sand, they knew exactly the bridal shop they were walking into."

D'Addesi believes *W.W. Bridal* was specifically targeted because in the 37 years the shop has been in business, the owners' Christian faith has been openly displayed: "Everyone in the community knows that they are Bible-believing Christians. This just permeates their lifestyle and their business." Pointing to the larger issue, D'Addesi said, "We are seeing Christians being targeted all across our states. We have the baker in Colorado, the florist in Washington, we have Blaine Anderson the T-shirt guy in Kentucky. I believe that we absolutely are being targeted," she said. "The LGBT community got very nasty." Noting the hypocrisy, D'Addesi posted another video where she asks, "When are we going to walk into a Muslim sandwich shop and ask them to make a BLT and demand that we serve us bacon? We wouldn't do that, we would go somewhere else, but you don't send hate mail, death threats."

D'Addesi told Church Militant that gay activists also came to Bloomsburg to bully surrounding shop owners, asking them to post rainbow flags in store windows, "knowing that the Christian storefront was not going to be able to place a LGBTQ flag in there." She blasted the move as a "Nazi tactic" because it was reminiscent of the Jews in Nazi-controlled countries being forced to wear yellow badges. "Instead of asking the Christians to put a fish in their windows so they can identify and attack us, they try to force us to put a rainbow flag in our window, when they know it goes against our faith," she remarked.

Most of the shop owners complied; D'Addesi believes it's because they saw what happened to *W.W. Bridal* and didn't want to be the brunt of hate mail or have bad reviews placed online by gay activists or face an online boycott. "This is also a problem, that we have outside LGBTQ activists that are coming into our little main street in Pennsylvania and enforcing, demanding, that what they are doing in Chicago happens in main street," she said. D'Addesi disagrees that *W.W. Bridal's* closing is a loss, saying, "I believe that this is another win because you have a family that is saying 'No. We will not change the way that we think. We would rather close down than go against God.'"

*W.W. Bridal* has started a crowdfunding campaign for the seven employees who will be out of a job. <https://www.youcaring.com/wwbridalboutique-1117051>



Holy Week  
~ HOLY THURSDAY ~

**29<sup>th</sup> March**

The Mass of the Last Supper **7pm**  
Adoration till 12am (Midnight) in Church

~ GOOD FRIDAY ~

**30<sup>th</sup> March**

The Passion of Christ  
Veneration of the Holy Cross

**11am** (Stations of the Cross)  
**3pm** (Veneration of the Holy Cross)

~ HOLY SATURDAY ~

**31<sup>st</sup> March**

Vigil of Light **8pm**

Please bring:

a bell to ring during the Gloria  
and a bottle for Holy Water

**Please note: We are providing candles this year.**

~ EASTER SUNDAY ~

**1<sup>st</sup> April**

The Resurrection of the Lord

**8:00am** Sung Latin Mass

**\*10:00am** English Mass

**\*Please note: there is a change in Mass time for Easter Sunday Only.  
After Easter Monday all Masses will be as usual.**

## -----NOTICES FOR THE PARISH-----

**Altar Servers Practise:** Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 11am and Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 11am

**LENT:** STATIONS OF THE CROSS every Friday @ 7pm during Lent.

## -----NOTICES FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE-----

**Lenten Inner Healing Retreat:** at Holy Cross Church, Henderson. Lead by Jesus My Light Inner Healing Ministry. Involves 2 days, Saturdays 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> March, 9.30am - 5.30pm. Starts with mass. All welcome, No fee, love offering accepted. Enquiries: Reggis Betsy 098263937/0274040129/0211653856, [betsjes@gmail.com](mailto:betsjes@gmail.com)

**Stay with Me:** A beautiful Candle Light Vigil for Life – PALM SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup> MARCH 7pm-8pm outside AMAC. Join us for the final hour of this Lenten 40 Days for Life. Bring your family and friends and join with all of those who have been involved in 40 Days for Life as we unite in prayer for one beautiful candle lit hour of prayer the unborn, for abortion vulnerable mothers and for all those hurting from the effects of abortion in our community at 286 Dominion Road, Mt Eden. Praying for healing – Praying for mercy – Praying for Life!

**"Pipes in Summer"** International Concert Organist Martin Setchell is coming to Town. All music-lovers are welcome and encouraged to come and enjoy a programme of Surprises. Admission by program. A donation (\$20) requested to support the refurbishment and maintenance of the Organ. Children & students free. Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 4:00 pm at Takapuna Methodist Church 427 Lake Rd Takapuna.

**Come and Visit NZ's only Museum of Bible times.** Bibleworld Museum & Discovery Centre has recently moved to larger new premises and has even more to show what life was like in Bible times: heaps of scale models, lots of interactive activities, and some genuine artefacts from Bible times. Free Entry for everyone. 1141 Eruera Street, Rotorua. [www.bibleworld.org.nz](http://www.bibleworld.org.nz).

NEXT SUNDAY:  
25 March 2018

**Palm Sunday (Yr B)**

Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47;

**LITURGY ROSTER**

**Palm Sunday:**

**Readers:** E. Taffard, Leslie Ahio  
**Gospel Readers:** R. Hall, S. Shaw  
**Prayers of the Faithful:** R. Cardoza  
**Offertory:** Tagiilima Family  
**Special Ministers:** P. Vernon

**Holy Week**  
**(29<sup>th</sup> March to 1<sup>st</sup> April)**

**Holy Thursday:**

**Readers:** Lupe Ahio, R. Lopez  
**Offertory:** Hatzaw Family  
**Special Ministers:** S. Molloy

**Good Friday:**

**Readers:** M. D'Souza, Leslie Ahio  
**Gospel Readers:** S. Shaw, R. Hall  
**Special Ministers:** F. Ulugia  
**Usher:** W. Gee

**Easter Vigil:**

**Readers:**

1. C. Tagiilima
2. M. D'Souza
3. S. Shaw
4. A. Leifi
5. M. Tagiilima
6. R. Lopez
7. Lupe Ahio
8. F. Xavier

**Offertory:** Leaumoana Family  
**Special Ministers:** F. Ulugia

**Easter Sunday:**

**Readers:** E. Taffard, R. Cardoza  
**Prayers of the Faithful:** F. Xavier  
**Offertory:** Stowers - Subermani Family  
**Special Ministers:** S. Molloy

**CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER**

Xavier/D'Lima Families

**SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER**

Murrell/Kaufman Families

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

**18 Mar:** Roe Atkinson, William Ewing  
**19 Mar:** Roland Greenslade **20 Mar:** Rowland Gale  
**21 Mar:** Lorre Mihaljevich, William Newman  
**22 Mar:** George Watts, Jakov Trbuhovich, John Scott  
**23 Mar:** Doris Molloy  
**24 Mar:** Horace Harvey

**PARISH FINANCES**

Parish	\$ 1,250.27
Priests	\$ 625.13
Total Cash	\$ 1,875.40

**Pledge Envelopes** - This is the last day to collect your Pledge envelopes.