

Holy Family Parish

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)
Sunday 17th November 2019

FIRST READING : Malachi 3:19-20

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of Hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 97:5-9

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music, with trumpets and the sound of the horn, acclaim the King the Lord. R.

Let the sea and all within it thunder, the world, and all its peoples, Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills ring at their joy at the presence of the Lord. R.

For the Lord comes, he comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice, and the peoples with fairness. R.

SECOND READING : 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow. We gave you a rule when we were with you: do not let anyone have any food if he refuses to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

GOSPEL : Luke 21:5-19

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?' 'Take care not to be deceived,' he said 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not so soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven. 'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

PRAAYER IN DISCOURAGEMENT

MY JESUS, relieve me of my discouragement. My devotion has vanished; spiritual thoughts no longer soothe my troubled soul. Even the remembrances of Your passion and of Your Blessed Mother grow dim before my vision. O Jesus, do not forsake me. Help me, help me! I am resolved not to omit a single one of my devotions. Hear me, O my God, strengthen and increase my faith. Keep me from yielding to temptation. You said, "My yoke is sweet; my burden is light." Have mercy on me, for wheresoever I turn I see only obstacles and difficulties. Were my faith strong I would accept my trials; but alas, I feel only impatience, doubt and discouragement. My soul, hold fast to Jesus. How faint-hearted and childish I am! All my comfort, all my joy must come from You. Bring me closer to You when temptations assail me. Help me not to fail. O Lord, my God, I cast myself entirely into Your Hands. Worn out by the struggle, I will rest beneath Your cross; pray for me in my desolation of soul.

JESUS, BE MERCIFUL TO ME. AMEN.

A prayer by Saint John Neumann (1811-1860)

5 FACTS OF LIFE

1. You Are a Sinner

-Romans 3:23

2. You Are Going to Die

-Romans 6:23

3. You Will Be Judged

-Hebrews 9:27

4. You Can't Save Yourself

-Ephesians 2:8-9

5. Your Hope is JESUS CHRIST

-John 14:6 / Acts 4:12

The CHOICE IS YOURS!

"LET US WORK SO THAT WE CAN BE HAPPY IN TIME, BUT LET US NEVER FORGET THE SUBLIME END OF MAN, WHICH IS TO BE HAPPY FOREVER IN A BLESSED ETERNITY."

-ST. JOHN BOSCO

"WHEN YOU PLACE YOURSELF IN GOD'S PRESENCE, ENDEAVOR RATHER TO LISTEN TO HIM THAN TO SPEAK TO HIM, AND STRIVE MORE TO LOVE HIM THAN TO LEARN FROM HIM."

-ST. JOHN OF ÁVILA

"THE WINDOW OF THE SOUL CLEANSED PERFECTLY AND MADE COMPLETELY TRANSPARENT BY THE DIVINE LIGHT."

-ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

"FOR UNTIL I AM ONE WITH HIM I CAN NEVER HAVE TRUE REST NOR PEACE. I CAN NEVER KNOW IT UNTIL I AM HELD SO CLOSE TO HIM THAT THERE IS NOTHING IN BETWEEN."

-ST. JULIAN OF NORWICH

"THAT WHICH IS GOOD CEASES TO BE GOOD IF IT BE NOT DONE IN A GOOD WAY."

-ST. GREGORY NAZIANZEN

"DON'T BE AFRAID OF WHAT GOD HAS IN STORE FOR YOU — LOVE GOD VERY MUCH FOR HE WANTS TO DO YOU A GREAT DEAL OF GOOD."

-ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

"JUST AS THE BREAD WHICH COMES FROM THE EARTH, HAVING RECEIVED THE INVOCATION OF GOD, IS NO LONGER ORDINARY BREAD, THE EUCHARIST, CONSISTING OF TWO REALITIES, EARTHLY AND HEAVENLY, SO OUR BODIES, HAVING RECEIVED THE EUCHARIST, ARE NO LONGER CORRUPTIBLE, BECAUSE THEY HAVE THE HOPE OF THE RESURRECTION."

ST. IRENAEUS OF LYONS

“ Receive Communion often, very often...there you have the sole remedy, if you want to be cured. Jesus has not put this attraction in your heart for nothing... ”

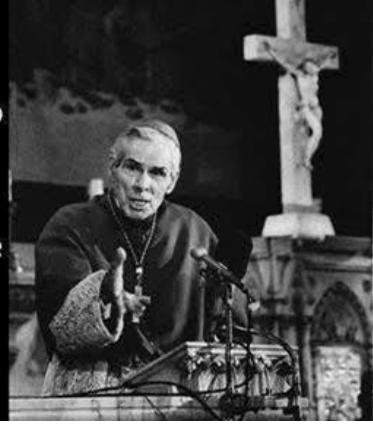
St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Only God can see what is in the bottom of our hearts; we are half-blind.

Therese of Lisieux

"Judge the Catholic Church not by those who barely live by its spirit, but by the example of those who live closest to it."

-Fulton Sheen-



"TO REPENT IS NOT TO LOOK DOWNWARDS AT MY OWN SHORTRCOMINGS, BUT UPWARDS AT GOD'S LOVE, IT IS NOT TO LOOK BACKWARDS WITH SELF-REPROACH BUT FORWARD WITH TRUSTFULNESS, IT IS TO SEE NOT WHAT I HAVE FAILED TO BE, BUT WHAT BY THE GRACE OF CHRIST I MIGHT YET BECOME."

St John Climacus

"For the devil may tempt the good, but he cannot find rest in them; for he is shaken violently, and upset, and driven out, now by their prayers, now by their tears of repentance, and now by their almsgiving and similar good works."

-St Bruno of Cologne

"LET US ATTACH OURSELVES TO GOD ALONE, AND TURN OUR EYES AND OUR HOPES TO HIM."

-ST. MADELEINE SOPHIE BARAT

"IF WE SEEK GOD, HE WILL SHOW HIMSELF TO US, AND IF WE KEEP HIM, HE WILL REMAIN CLOSE TO US."

-ST. ARSENIUS

1858

Born into an aristocratic family on Sept 15, in Strasbourg, France.

1864

Orphaned at age 6, he and his 3-year-old sister were raised by their grandfather, a retired colonel.



The early loss of both his parents left a deep scar in him.

1874

Charles lost his Faith at age 16 on finishing high school.

1878

He entered Saumur Cavalry School and began spending his inheritance recklessly.



In his adolescence, he immersed himself in a worldly life of pleasure and excess which, however, failed to satisfy him.

1879

He barely graduated from the military academy.

1880

As a second lieutenant, Charles was posted to French-occupied Algeria.

1881

Dismissed from the army for indiscipline, he was however reinstated a few months later for a military expedition.

1882

Upon returning to France, he promptly quit the army.

1883-84

For 11 months disguised as a poor rabbi, he undertook a risky exploration in Morocco.

He was deeply impressed by the Islamic faith.

1885

Received a gold medal from the French Geographic Society for the report on his Moroccan expedition.

1886

On his return to France, touched by the affectionate and discreet welcome given by his deeply Christian family, he began to search for the truth.



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*For the sake of spreading the holy Gospel
I am ready to go
to the ends of the earth
and to live until
the final judgement.*

— Blessed Charles de Foucauld



Name: Charles Eugene de Foucauld

Date of birth: September 15, 1858

Birthplace: Vicomte, Strasbourg, France

Died: December 1, 1916 Age: 58

Feast day December 1



Blessed Charles de Foucauld

A rich young man who wasted his substance with riotous living, Charles found his treasure in giving up all that he had and following in the footsteps of Jesus. A soldier and explorer turned hermit and missionary, he spent years doing spiritual warfare in the desert, and left a profound map for finding God in the wilderness of the modern world.



In front of the hermitage at Beni Abbes.

Charles first settled in Beni Abbes, building a small hermitage for 'adoration and hospitality', which he soon referred to as the 'Fraternity'.



His chapel at Tamanrasset.



Charles with a friend at Tamanrasset.

To carry the Gospel to the most abandoned, not by preaching it but by living it. By his life of deep contemplation and charity he wanted to show himself as a man of God and as 'the universal brother'.

Like the grain of wheat that falls into the earth and dies, Charles' life would bear much fruit. After his death a number of religious and lay communities were founded throughout the world following his insights, most notably the Little Brothers and Little Sisters of Jesus.



The last photo of Charles.

Charles began to visit churches in France voicing his agnostic prayer: 'My God, if you exist, allow me to know you!' In Oct, he went through a conversion experience at the Church of St. Augustin in Paris.



At age 28, he rediscovered God and found a new meaning for his life. "As soon as I believed in God, I understood that I could not do otherwise than to live for him alone."

1888

A pilgrimage to the Holy Land revealed his vocation to him: to follow Jesus in his life at Nazareth.

1890

He joined a Trappist monastery, first in France and then at Akbes in Syria.

1897

He left the Trappists. Returned to the Holy Land to live as a hermit in a shack near a monastery of Poor Clares.

1901

On Jun 9, at age 43, Charles was ordained a priest at Viviers, France.



Charles set out to carry the Gospel to one of the world's most remote regions, the Sahara desert.

In Oct, he arrived in Beni Abbes, Algeria, where he built a hermitage with the objective of founding a monastic fraternity.

1905

He ventured further south in the Sahara, living close to the nomadic Tuaregs in Tamanrasset, Algeria.

1916

On Dec 1, Charles was shot to death by bandits outside his Tamanrasset compound.



The tomb of Charles in El Golea, Algeria.

2005

He was beatified by Pope Benedict XVI on Nov 13, and is listed as a martyr.



Catholic Saints Online
catholicsaintsonline.wordpress.com

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

Faith of our fathers!
living still in spite of dungeon,
fire and sword:
O how our hearts beat high with joy,
whene'er we hear that glorious word!
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers! faith and prayer
shall win all nations unto thee; and
through the truth that comes from God,
mankind shall then indeed be free.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers!
we will love both friend and foe in all
our strife: and preach thee, too, as love
knows how, by kindly deeds and
virtuous life.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

OFFERTORY 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. But I have found what my soul
desires, the bread of life does truly feed.

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. That through my love they
may contemplate You who alone will
quench their thirst.

COMMUNION HYMN:

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly minded,
For with blessing in His hand,
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
Our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
As of old on earth He stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
In the body and the blood;
He will give to all the faithful
His own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven
Spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of light descendeth
From the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish
As the darkness clears away.

At His feet the six winged Seraph,
Cherubim with sleepless eyes.
veil their faces to the presence,
and with ceaseless voice they cry:
"Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia Lord,
most High.

RECESSONAL HYMN:

Hail, Redeemer, King Divine!
Priest and Lamb, the Throne is Thine,
King, Whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace!
Angels, Saints and Nations sing;
"Praised be Jesus Christ, our King;
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea, King of
Love on Calvary."

King, whose name creation thrills,
Rule our minds, our hearts, our wills,
Till in peace each nation rings,
With thy praises King of Kings!
Angels, Saints and Nations sing; "Praise
be Jesus Christ, our King; Lord of life,
earth, sky and sea, King of Love on
Calvary."

King most holy, King of Truth,
Guide the lowly, guide the youth;
Christ, Thou King of Glory bright,
Be to us Eternal Light. Angels, Saints
and Nations sing; " Praised be Jesus
Christ, our King; Lord of life, earth, sky
and sea, King of love on Calvary."

First Holy Communion

Please pray for our children who will be
receiving their First Holy Communion
next Sunday

*Jean Bright
Martha Hatzaw
Johanna Jojo
Aleena Joseph
Nathaniel Kaufman
Vincent O'Brien
Sebastian Pua
Isaac Spemann
Brian Tovio
Chardonne Villanueva*

Please also pray for
*Kathlyn Bency
Sherlyn Bency
Faustina Hall*
who will also be receiving
the Sacrament of Confirmation as well

First Holy Communion Party

All Parishioners are invited to
come to the Hall next Sunday
after the 9:30am Mass to celebrate
with the children and their families.

Please bring a plate.

NEXT SUNDAY:

24 November 2019

Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe(Yr C)

2 Sam 5:1-3; Col 1:13-20; Lk 23:35-43;

LITURGY ROSTER

Readers: A. Leifi, E. Shaw

Prayers of the Faithful: S. Shaw

Offertory: Leaumoana Family

Special Ministers: S. Molloy

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

Lim/Pillai Families

SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER

Holy Communion

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

17 Nov: John Borell

18 Nov: Raymond Prime, Thio Sam

19 Nov: Fr Rory Price, Lavinia Kenny

21 Nov: Louisa Meredith, Terence Higgins

Ihaperia Richardson

22 Nov: Ella Drummond

23 Nov: John Cavanagh, John Sole,
Margaret Binnie

PARISH FINANCES

Parish	\$1,297.60
Priests	\$648.80
Total Cash	\$1,946.40

HOLY FAMILY NEWS

End of Year Celebration

QUIZ NIGHT!

Saturday 30th November

7:00pm

Register either individually
or a team of eight.

Register with Ellen in the Parish Office on
098346677 or email hfp parish@xtra.co.nz

Please bring a plate

Sunday Cup of Tea: Don't forget you are invited
to come to the Hall after the 9:30am Mass.

Christmas Flower Raffle: Tickets are on Sale
today. Tickets are \$2 each or \$5 for 3.
Get your tickets now!

Legion of Mary Annual General Reunion: All
Legionaries and auxiliaries are invited to attend
on Sunday 24th November at 2pm, here at Holy
Family.

National March for Life: in Wellington on
Saturday 7 December. Gather at Civic Square
from 12pm for family-friendly entertainment,
sausage sizzle and pro-life stalls. March to
Parliament Grounds begins at 2pm.
Concludes at 4pm.

DIOCESAN NEWS

Vacancy Available: The Catholic Diocese of
Auckland is seeking an administration assistant
to the Leader of the Pastoral Services
Group. This is a part-time position of 4 hours
Monday – Friday with occasional weekend and
evening work. We are seeking an enthusiastic
person with strong digital skills able to respond
to a variety of needs and responsibilities.
Applications close 26 November 4.00pm. For a
copy of job description visit our website on
www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/administration/staff-vacancies/