



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND

OFFICE OF THE PASTORAL WORKER TO THE CATHOLIC DEAF COMMUNITY
TE KAIHAUTU KATORIKA KI NGA TANGATA TURIA ME O RATOU WHANAU

September Newsletter



Our Signed Mass will be held

9th September 2018 at 12pm

**Pompallier Diocesan Centre,
30 New Street, St Mary Bay,
Auckland**

Bring an offering of money for
during the mass.

After our Deaf Mass, please join us
for a shared lunch. (Please bring a
plate of food to share – no cake)

Bring your gold coins, we have
raffles available.

Celebrant: Father John Fitzmaurice

Interpreter: Felicity Crowe

Raffle: Yvonne Triggs



Integrated Mass will be held on

16th September 2018 at 11am

Te Unga Waka Marae

1 Clyde St, Epsom, Auckland

Please to be there early between
10.30am to 10.40am.

Bring your koha for during the Mass.

**Please bring Kai (food) to share
after Mass.**

Celebrant: Pa Ryan

There will be two NZSL interpreter

Gospel reading

Mark 7: 31 - 37

Jesus left the area of Tyre, he went through Sidon and through the area of Decapolis to the Sea of Galilee. There, the people brought a deaf man to Jesus. The deaf man



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could not speak. They asked Jesus to lay his hand on him. Jesus took the deaf man away in private away from the crowd. Jesus put his fingers into the man's ears. Then Jesus spat into his hand, rubbed the spittle and touched the man's tongue. Jesus looked up to heaven and breathed deeply. He said to the deaf man, "Ephpheta," that means: "Be opened." The Deaf man's ears were opened, and he could speak clearly. Jesus told them to tell no one about this. Jesus always told people not to say anything, but this made the people want to talk about it more and more. The people were really amazed. They said, "Jesus does everything very well. He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.



Our News:

We have had wonderful and very busy month!

On Sunday 12th August we had our Signed Mass. It was lovely to see you all. The Mass service went smoothly with wonderful people who did the readings. I want to say many thanks to some of you who came to our Mass, to accepted being part of the video (Film) for Felicity and my presentation in Fiji, I will share this film at the Mass.



We would like to say thank you to Peter Webb for brought beautiful Cross with Jesus for our Mass. Fr John gave the blessing on the Cross. We looking forward to bring the beautiful Cross at the Mass service.



Thank you everyone for bringing such a yummy shared lunch. I also want to say thank you to those of you that helped with the kitchen duties. You are such a blessing!





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Just a friendly reminder if you bring food that needs to be cooked, please know that it is your responsibility to cook it and not leave to someone to do for you. Or another option is bring food that which is not need cook.

Our news about the conference in Fiji – Felicity and Rachel



Bula, we went to Fiji on 16th to 19th August for WASLI (World Association Sign Language Interpreter) Oceania Conference. The presentations were fantastic, and really interesting. We learnt so much and realised that Felicity and I are already allies (work together). Our presentation “Deaf Empowerment in Catholic Setting” went well and was very



successful. We had good numbers of people attended, listening to our presentation. They found it really interesting, we spoke about how our Mass in Auckland is run. I want to say a special thank you to the Youth worker – Chanel Mehrotra and her partner for doing such an awesome



job with the film and editing. Without them there wouldn't have been a video to show.

We were so lucky to be on the boat for a sunset sailing dinner, so beautiful and refreshing. See the photos of us.

Roy Lewis's 87th birthday dinner:



Very kindly Roy invited some of us to attended to his special birthday party (I know some of you were not able to made it to his birthday party, Roy understood). It is his first birthday without his brother after 87 years. We enjoyed and the dinner, the food was delicious!





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Update from NZSL Catholic Advisory Team:

We released surveys for the mass translation in NZSL, please let me know if you find any of them difficult or would like to have a face to face, as your feedback are so valuable. Just let me know you can either email or text message me, thank you.



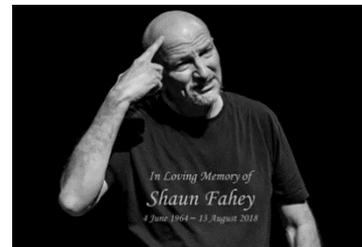
Prayer Request:

Please pray for

- Roy Lewis through the grief of the loss his brother
- Lyndon Wray is not well and has moved into a Rest home.
- Trevor and Carol Cotter will move to their new home in a Retirement Village in few weeks' time.

Donate:

I am sure you have heard or seen of the sad news about Shaun Fahey - he passed away peacefully on 13th August. Angela had a good idea, we would to ask you if you have dry food or vouchers, to donate to Shaun Fahey's wife Rachel and her family. We will set up a donation box at the café area near by the raffle table. You are welcome to donate if you want to. We are open to accepting donations during the weekdays as well. Welcome to donate during the weekdays, please contact (me) Rachel. Thank you.



Happy Birthday to dear **Rachel Marr!**
Happy Birthday to dear **Lisa Larkins!**
Happy Birthday to dear **Lena Smith!**
Happy Birthday to dear **Tiffany Ashby!**

And all our other friends and family who have September celebrations. May God Bless you and keep you always in God's tender, loving care.

Happy Birthday! Happy Birthday!

Blessings and Love,

Rachel Marr



God Bless,

Eric Matthews

