



# *The Parishioner*

St Mary's Parish, Manuka St. Nelson

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 27 September, 2009

## THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

The human disease of greed has always been a problem and St. James describes it very graphically in today's reading.

It isn't that it is wrong in itself to have possessions and wealth, the problems begin when possessions take over and become our most important goal in life. When that happens the good of other people even their lives and safety can be set aside if they might get in the way of making a profit.

The world financial crisis has shown us just what can happen when the advantages of the 'free market' are taken to extremes.

But we should realise that St. James applies it not only to big business but to our day to day interactions with other people. The Gospel also calls us to place the safety and happiness of other people as our first priority, in fact to make any sacrifice necessary to avoid leading another person to do wrong.

The principle of 'profit at any price' is incompatible with Jesus' law of love. You have to be really free to love in that way. This freedom is only won by gaining victory over our arch-enemy SELF.

Patrick



## Saints Corner

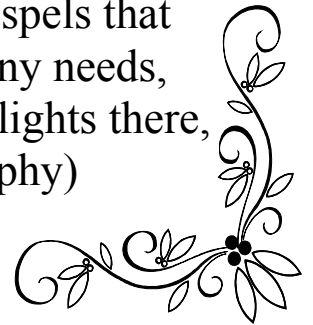
### **Saint Therese of Lisieux Feast Day 1 October**

Marie Frances Therese Martin was born in Alencon France on 2 January 1873. After her mother's death in 1877 the family moved to Lisieux. At Pentecost 1883 she was healed of a serious illness at age 8 when a statue of the Blessed Virgin smiled at her. She wanted to follow her older sisters into the Carmel of Lisieux but was too young. On a visit to Italy, during an audience with Pope Leo XIII she pleaded to be allowed to enter Carmel at age 15 and he granted her wish.

She embraced the way of perfection, as outlined by Saint Teresa of Jesus, with genuine fervour and fidelity. She grew in sanctity, inspired by the Gospel to place love at the centre of everything. She discovered the way of spiritual childhood and taught it to the novices entrusted to her care. She was also known as 'the little flower of Jesus'. On Holt Thursday night 1896, she had the first symptoms of tuberculosis which would lead to her death. She welcomed this as a mysterious visitation of the Divine Spouse. Overtime her sufferings and trials intensified. She accepted them patiently until her death on 30 September 1897.

Therese was canonized in May 1925 and in 1927 was declared Universal Patron of the Missions along with St Francis Xavier. Her desire was to spend her "heaven doing good on earth". "But above all it is the Gospels that occupy my mind when I'm at prayer; my poor soul has so many needs, and yet this is the one thing needful. I'm always finding fresh lights there, hidden and enthralling messages." (from Therese's autobiography)

Therese was proclaimed a Doctor of the Church in 1997.



#### **WE PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DEAD**

John Jeffries, Sharon Kotua, Mary Lynch, Margaret O'Donnell, Mavis Vercoe, Owen Burton, Carmela Della Barca, Phillip Shirley

**Recently Deceased** - Dan McGuire, Dulcie Brown (President Richmond St V de P), Tilly Huygens died on the 21st in her 88<sup>th</sup> year

***May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace***



## **Year of the Priest**

This Sunday we pray for the following:

**Fr Ron Bennett**, St. Joseph's, Upper Hutt,  
**Fr. Stephen Berecz**, Sacred Heart College, Remuera,  
**Fr Patrick Bridgman**, St Joseph's Parish, Mt Victoria,  
**Fr John Berry**, Holy Cross Parish, Miramar

## **Extraordinary Ministers of Communion**

This Sunday during 8.30 Mass the new Ministers of Communion will be commissioned. They are:

**Dean Callaghan, Pete Gillin, Trish Goodman, Rodi Lupton, Colleen & Stephen Older, Elizabeth & Francis Perrone, Katie Rose**

Most, but not all, will be taking Communion to the Elderly on a rostered basis.

Other present Ministers of Communion have now offered themselves to take Communion to the Elderly:

**Vic Hambly, Amba Payne, Denise & Harvey Proctor, Rebekah Schryvers**

Remember all these good people in our prayers      Thanks

## **MASSES HAVE BEEN OFFERED FOR:**

**1. Marie Burke, 2. John Giovanni Gargiulo, 3. Salve Esposito, Rosa Pricolo, Domenico & Frank Pricolo**

## **This Week**

### **To celebrate the Feast Day of ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

**parishioners are invited to a cup of tea and  
sandwiches after the 10am Mass this  
Sunday**

### **MERCY CELEBRATIONS**

**(26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> September)**

**Mass & Dinner**

**Contact Madeleine (03) 548 1331**

### ***Faith & Light***

**are an ecumenical organization who journey with  
those with intellectual disability. We warmly welcome  
you join us for our fiesta**

**St Francis Parish Hall, 196 Songer Stoke**

**12 30 pm Sunday**

**27th September**

**For enquiries phone Norah 5473108 (evenings)**

**Cecily 5475717**

**If any competent person would be willing  
to teach 2 girls who have  
their own vehicle to drive, please contact  
Judith on 5486253.**

**This Week**

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**ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

Fortnightly meeting  
Tuesday **29 September**  
1:30pm in the  
Parish Centre



**NEW MEMBERS WELCOME**

**DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP FOR  
WOMEN NELSON**

ST FRANCIS CHURCH, SONGER ST, STOKE  
**TEACHING DAY - SATURDAY 3 OCTOBER**  
10AM - 3PM APPROX.

***"EQUIPPING WOMEN WITH THE  
GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT"***

**PRESENTERS:** Pam Wood & Shona Glennie  
**REGISTRATION:** COST \$10.00  
**LUNCH:** BRING YOUR OWN

**ALL WOMEN MOST WELCOME**

**CONTACT:** Ann 5488723 Cristina 5487593



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\* **Parish Refugee Family** \*  
\* needs 3/4 bedroom house to rent by early October \*  
\* Please contact: John at 5452393 \*  
\* Judith at 5486253 \*  
\* (References available) \*  
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## **Parish Property Update.**

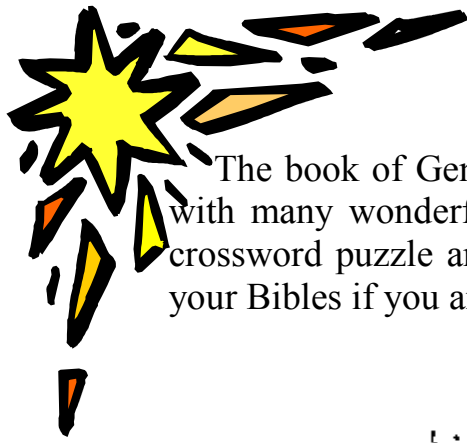
As you can see the new Parish/School Admin, Hall and Parish Centre is well underway. The estimated completion date is the first week of April 2010. Looking at what has been completed so far in a short space of time hopefully it will be completed before April....a bit optimistic though.

Unfortunately the progress with the new Presbytery has not been so smooth. We have been bogged down with discussions with the council with ongoing consent issues. The first issue was the moving of a vehicle crossing a few metres down the road. We eventually got Nick Smith involved with this and finally received approval around 6 weeks after submitting our application.

Now they have issues with stormwater. The architect and engineer are trying to get their latest plan to shift the water from the driveway to Manuka Street. The council is rejecting this latest plan not because it won't work but because there is a slight possibility that if the Collingwood Street sump became blocked and backed up in Manuka Street it would cause stormwater to drain down the Manuka Street section and possibly affect the houses below. This of course happens now and has happened for many years. The NCC do not want any liability and are frustrating the architect with unreasonable barriers it appears. If you know anyone on the Council who can put a good word in for us and get these issues sorted we would really appreciate it. We are still hoping to get the presbytery built before next winter.....the council may have other ideas.

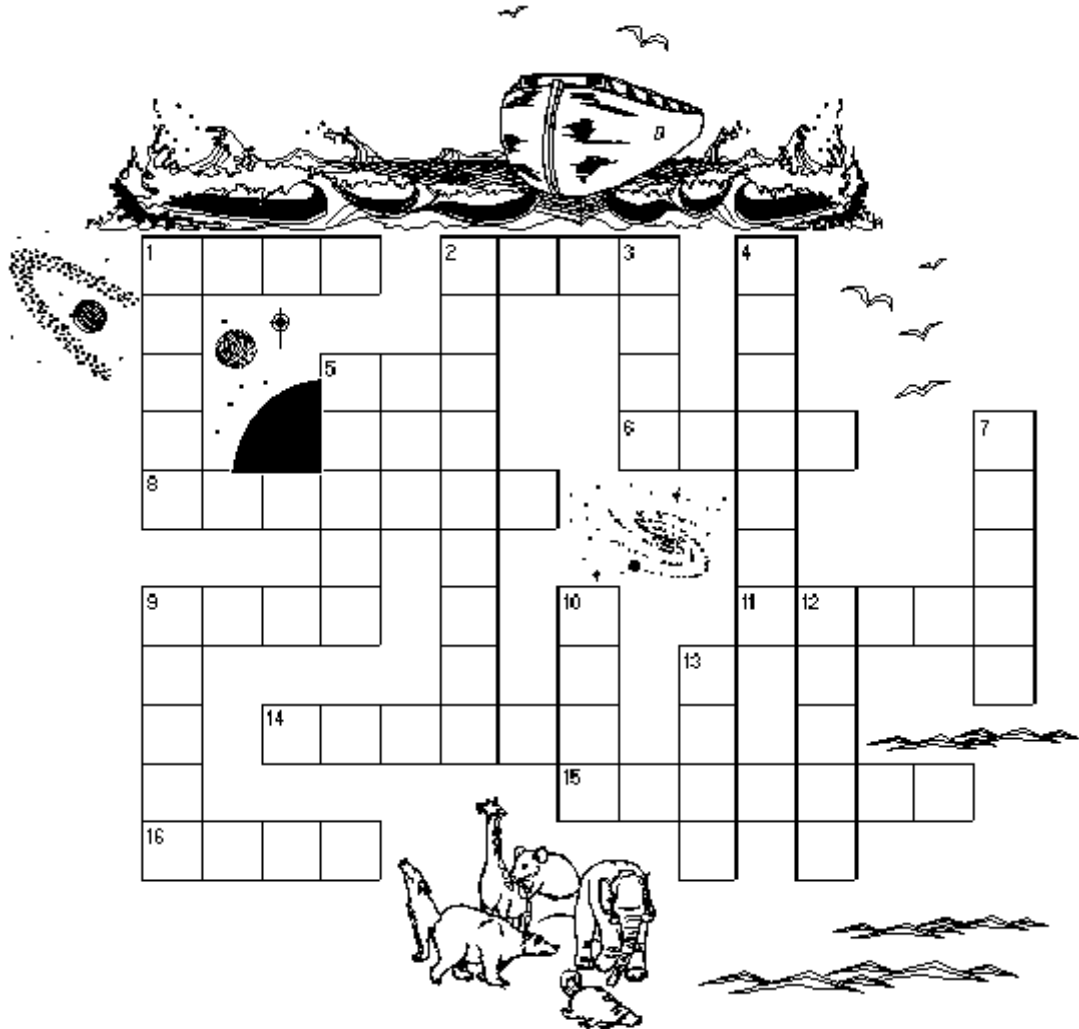
Thank you for your co-operation with regards to parking while the hall is being built. Please remember to leave the spaces in the front of the church free for disabled or elderly parishioners.

Graham Warner.



## The Events of Genesis

The book of Genesis is extremely important as the book of “beginnings.” It is filled with many wonderful accounts of how God affected the lives of individuals. Do this crossword puzzle and learn more about how this world got started. Don't forget to use your Bibles if you are having trouble with some of the answers.

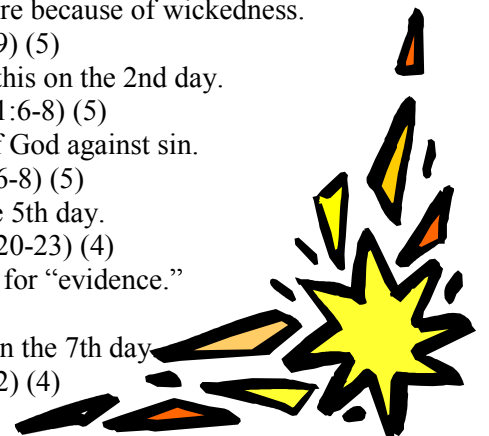


### Across

1. Created on the 4th day.  
( \_\_\_\_\_ , Gen. 1:14-19) (4)
2. Adam could not find any among the animals. ( \_\_\_\_\_ , Gen. 2:20) (8)
5. Created the same day as the moon.  
( \_\_\_\_\_ ) (3)
6. Adam gave one of these to the animals.  
( \_\_\_\_\_ , Gen. 2:19) (4)
8. God created all things in \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ . (two words, Gen. 1:31 or Ex. 20:11) (7)
9. On the first day, the earth was without \_\_\_\_\_ and void. (Gen. 1:2) (4)
11. God \_\_\_\_\_ , and all things were created. (Ps. 33:9) (5)
14. Created on the 3rd day.  
( \_\_\_\_\_ , Gen. 1:9-13) (6)
15. Genesis tells us about the \_\_\_\_\_ of the universe. (7)
16. In the evening, the Sun goes \_\_\_\_\_ (poetically). (4)

### Down

1. Who wrote the book of Genesis?  
( \_\_\_\_\_ ) (5)
2. For the “newly-weds”, Adam and Eve, it began on day six of creation.  
( \_\_\_\_\_ ) (9)
3. Increased in childbirth, due to sin.  
( \_\_\_\_\_ , Gen. 3:16) (4)
4. Created on the 6th day.  
( \_\_\_\_\_ , Gen. 1:24-31) (7)
5. Destroyed by fire because of wickedness.  
( \_\_\_\_\_ , Gen. 19) (5)
7. God separated this on the 2nd day.  
( \_\_\_\_\_ , Gen. 1:6-8) (5)
9. A judgement of God against sin.  
( \_\_\_\_\_ , Gen. 6-8) (5)
10. Created on the 5th day.  
( \_\_\_\_\_ , Gen. 1:20-23) (4)
12. Another word for “evidence.”  
( \_\_\_\_\_ ) (5)
13. God did this on the 7th day  
( \_\_\_\_\_ , Gen. 2:2) (4)



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**REGULAR PARISH SERVICES**

**RECONCILIATION** After Saturday 10am Mass or by Appointment Ph 546 8442  
**ROSARY** Before Tues - Thurs 12.05pm and after Sat 10.00am Masses  
**EXPOSITION** Fridays: 11am-noon Sundays: 7-8pm (unless notified)  
**WEEKEND MASSES** Vigil: 6pm Sundays: 8:30am 10:00am  
 Stoke Sundays: 9:00am 5pm  
 Richmond Vigil: 6:30pm Sundays: 9:30am  
 Wakefield Sundays: 8am

**THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND READINGS** *(except where a Requiem replaces the Mass of the Day)***Mon - 8.00am** - Zechariah 8:1-8 Psalm 101:16-21,29,22-23 Luke 9:46-50**Tue - 12.05pm -SS MICHAEL, GABRIEL, AND RAPHAEL** (Feast)

Daniel 7:9-10,,13-14 Psalm 137:1-5 John 1:47-51

**Wed - 12.05pm - ST. JEROME, priest and doctor of the Church** (Memorial)

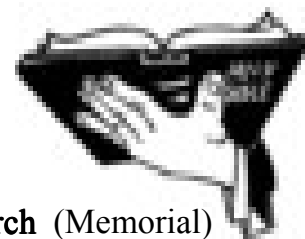
Nehemiah 2:1-8 Psalm 136:1-6 Luke 9:57-62

**Thurs - 12.05pm - ST. TERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS, virgin and doctor of the Church** (Memorial)

Nehemiah 8:1-12 Psalm 18:8-11 Luke 10:1-12

**Fri - 12.05pm - THE GUARDIAN ANGELS** (Memorial)

Baruch 1:15-22 Psalm 78:1-5,8-9 Luke 10:13-16

**Sat - 10am** - Baruch 4:5-12,27-29 Psalm 68:33-37 Luke 10:17-24**Sat (Vigil) - 6:00pm Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time** Genesis 2:18-24**Sun - 8.30am, 10.00am** - Psalm 127 Hebrews 2:9-11 Mark 10:2-16**ROSTERS -**

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<b>Counter</b>	Jo Morris	Gifted last wk (excl APs)	House \$452 Parish \$904
<b>Vacuuming</b>	28 Sept - 3 Oct	Kevin and Val de Courcy	
<b>3-4 October</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>8.30am</b>	<b>10.00am</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	Light of Christ Community	L Del Favero J Van der Laan	Judy & Tom McInerney
<b>Music</b>	Dove	Choir	Filipino
<b>Readers</b>	Jacqui Blackwell Sam Schryvers	Shaun Williams Sr. June Walsh	Stephen Powick Katie Rose
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	M Warner K Cleary P Cronin A McBride T Romano	J Greaney (V de Courcy A McAlpine C Blommaart F Perrone <i>ALL C S</i> ) G Wratt - <i>HOSP</i>	M Pike P Preston M Warner K Curtis S Ellis