



Stella Maris Parish

Catholic Parish of Christchurch Diocese

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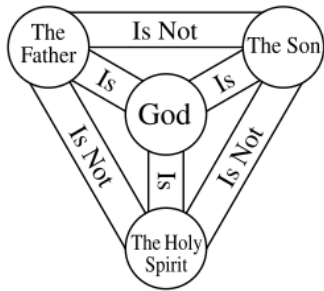
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OUR PARISH VISION:

Our Stella Maris Parish will grow an inclusive welcoming faith community which supports one another to deepen our relationship with Jesus Christ and by our actions and words, encourage others to join our faith journey.

15th June 2025 — The Most Holy Trinity - Yr C



THE MYSTERY OF GOD'S LOVE

The Holy Trinity is a profound mystery of our faith: Three Persons in One God. Sometimes, our minds become entangled in curiosity or confusion as we try to use logic and evidence to “solve” the mystery of the Triune God – as though it were a problem to be figured out. But on this Solemnity of the Most

Holy Trinity, rather than getting stuck in intellectual explanations, let us contemplate God's inner life and identity, which is LOVE.

Saint John the Apostle offers a simple yet complete definition of God: “God is Love” (1 John 4:8). God is a Family, a Community of Love. Within this community, there are three relationships: the Father is the Lover, Jesus is the one who is Loved, and the Holy Spirit is the very act of Loving.

Because of His boundless love, God the Father created us in His image and gave us life. Jesus the Son offered Himself on the Cross to redeem us from our sins and bring us salvation. The Holy Spirit now sanctifies us, renews us, and guides us into all truth.

The mystery of the Trinity is not distant – it is alive and present in our daily lives. Everything God does is out of love for us. And He invites us to imitate Him: to live in love, to receive love, and to become instruments of love in the world.

Whenever we genuinely love one another, we make the life of the Holy Trinity visible. So from the beginning to the end of each day, in all that we think, say, or do, let us do it out of love – and do it “in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit” Amen.

Fr Tang Phan



*“Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
Serve the Lord with gladness.” (Psalm 100)*

Next Sunday, 22nd June 2025, at St Anne's Church, 9:30am—10:15am
Come early for Mass and join us.

PARISH INFORMATION:

MASS CENTRES:

Woolston: St Anne's,
739 Ferry Rd.

Sumner: Our Lady Star of the Sea,
42 Dryden St.

New Brighton: St Mary's,
116 Lonsdale St.

Diamond Harbour: St Andrew's,
85 Marine Dr.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES (ENGLISH):

Woolston: Saturday Vigil 6:00pm
Sunday 10:30am

Sumner: Sunday 9:00am

New Brighton: Sunday 10:30am

Diamond Harbour: 1st Sunday 5:30pm

Samoa Mass Times:

Woolston: 1st Sunday 12:30pm

New Brighton: 2nd Sunday 12:30pm

Tongan Mass Time:

Woolston: 2nd Sunday 3:30pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Woolston: Tues, Wed & Thurs: 9:15am
Friday 12:00pm

Sumner: Thursday 9:15am

New Brighton: Thursday 11:15am

A Funeral Mass replaces the week-day Mass.

RECONCILIATION:

Woolston: Friday 11:15am-11:45am
Saturday 10:30am-11:00am

New Brighton: After Sunday Mass

Sumner: After Thursday Mass

Diamond Harbour: After Sunday Mass

PARISH CONTACTS:

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PARISH NOTICES:

Sunday, 15 June 2025 — The Most Holy Trinity - Yr C

Proverbs 8:22-31 Roman 5:1-5 John 16: 12-15

Psalm Response: O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

YOU'RE INVITED: ALPHA!

Sunday 15th June | 5:00–6:00pm | St Anne's Hall

Curious about faith? Searching for more?

Join us for **Alpha!**—with a free meal,

a **short video**, and a chance to hear and chat about life, faith, and meaning.

Whether you're new to faith, exploring big questions, or just want a place where you can meet new people and talk about your faith – Alpha is for you!!

Bring a friend & let's explore life together



CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME REGISTRATIONS WILL CLOSE ON THE 14TH OF JUNE 2025

Register here: <https://forms.gle/Nii8Bi9TdNyABGc6>

The Confirmation Programme is for students that are 12 years old or older and have already received the Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist.

Confirmation Programme starts this Sunday 15th June 2025 from 11:30am-1:30pm in the St Anne's School Mission Centre.

For adults that would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact Janette on 03 3841600 or email Janette@stellamarisparish.org.nz

YOUTH GROUP PROMO

Our Youth Groups are a place for kids and teens to grow in faith, make awesome friends, and have a ton of fun.

Friday's during the school term (*excluding long weekends*)

Gen 1:1 Year 5 & 6, 3pm-4pm

At St Anne's School Mission centre

Crowns Year 7 & 8, 4:30pm – 6pm

At St Anne's School Mission centre

STAY – Year 9-13, 4:30pm-6pm

At St Anne's church hall.

GRANDPARENT PRAYER GROUP

There is a calling to restart the Grandparent Prayer Group. Grandparents to use our vocation to intercede and pray for our young ones. Those interested to join, please contact Sandy– 021 1804445 for details.

MATARIKI DAY: Friday 20th June 2025

Since this coming Friday being a public holiday, the Mass at St Anne's will be at 9.15am. There will be no Adoration and midday Mass on public holidays.

THERE WILL NOT BE 9.15AM MASS THIS TUESDAY 16TH JUNE. There is a Requiem Mass for Mary Witteman our parishioner at 12.00pm this Tuesday.

"Come and See"
VOCATION & DISCERNMENT RETREAT
for men interested in the priesthood

Friday 4 July to
Sunday 6 July 2025

Sr Eveleen Retreat House
6 Whitewash Head Road, Sumner

Includes Mass, Adoration,
talks, silence and prayer

Places limited! For more details and to register
please contact Matt O'Connell mcoconnell@cdoc.nz or 027 536 9407



REMINDER: Our Parish is subscribed to FORMED:

All of our parishioners have access to this amazing resource.

It's very easy - to log on and sign up

– Go to <https://signup.formed.org/>
– Search for Catholic Parish of Christchurch East

– Enter your name, and email address

– Then you have access to a whole range of fabulous resources



Masses Offered this week:

**Please remember Mary Witteman in your prayers, who has recently passed away.
May she rest in eternal peace.**



STELLA MARIS PARISH OFFICE: 739 Ferry Road, Woolston

PARISH OFFICE OPEN HOURS: Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:30am - 12:30pm

Stella Maris Parish Schools

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Woolston—St Anne's

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