



# THE KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS AT AUCKLAND

A society of Catholic men in New Zealand actively involved in supporting the Church and each other through practical works, fraternity and promotion of the Gospel.  
*Mission statement of the Knights of the Southern Cross of New Zealand.*

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## NEWSLETTER January 2018

### ***Happy New Year!!!***

### ***First General Meeting of 2018 Tuesday, 6 February***

The February General Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 6 February**, commencing with Mass at 7:30PM followed by a shared supper. If your surname begins with a letter from A to M, please bring a **SMALL PLATE** to share for supper. Yes, it's Waitangi Day, but we will have our meeting anyways.

Because of the warm weather from November to April, a tie need not be worn, unless you are reading at Mass.

Our speaker for the February meeting is Laurie McAlpine.

Reader: .....Brian McCloy

Stewards: .....Ron Hunter and John Mackle

Opening Prayer: .....Stewart Jenke

Closing Prayer: .....John Curtin

### ***Knights Website***

The Knight's web site has been updated with the photos taken at the 2017 Christmas Dinner. See if you can find your picture on our web site:

<http://www.kscnz.org.nz/>

Click on **Auckland** and then click on **Christmas Dinners**.

If you can supply the names of the people in the pictures where I have "???", please let us know.

### ***Clergy BBQ needs Helpers***

This year's KSC Clergy BBQ is on Monday, 26 February. We start the BBQs at 4:00PM and serve the hungry clergy at 5:00PM. The menu this year will include grilled steaks, salads and a delicious dessert. We could use your help on the day of the BBQ and ahead of time with purchasing the food and drinks. Please contact Peter Aldous: [peter.aldous@thefono.org](mailto:peter.aldous@thefono.org) or 09-825-0684.

Even if you are not able to help out with the BBQ, please remind the priests of your parish to come to the BBQ. They have already been invited by Bp Pat, but you can provide a personal touch.

### ***Golf Tournament Results from Ron Hunter***

The result of the December golf tournament was that we lost to the Waikato team.

Before play commenced Bishop Dennis said he would decide who he would play for once the results came in. Although he played well for Auckland, we still lost.

The best individual score on the day was from a 90 year old Waikato golfer who had 47 points. That score set the bar so high we had no chance of retaining the team shield.

The best Auckland golfer was Andrew Burnett who had 38 points. A player scores one point for a bogey, two for par, three for a birdie, etc.

Waikato's top six players each won a bottle of Shiraz wine while Bishop Dennis was wished many happy returns to Auckland with a square bottle. Golf numbers from Auckland were down on last time, just seven played for Auckland and it is becoming difficult to get Auckland members enthusiastic with the prospect of playing against fit, athletic 90 year olds.

Sincere thanks go to Jack East and his team of helpers who again catered with morning tea, a sausage sizzle and Barbeque afterwards. As always the weather was fine and warm with some wind, so the farmers said they could do with a little more rain.

***From Our 2018 Diary***

- February:** .....Tuesday, 6 February: General Meeting
- March:** .....Tuesday, 6 March: General Meeting
- April:** .....Tuesday, 3 April: General Meeting
- May:** .....Tuesday, 1 May: General Meeting
- June:** .....Tuesday, 5 June: General Meeting
- July:** .....Tuesday, 3 July: General Meeting
- August:** .....Tuesday, 7 August: General Meeting
- September:** ....Tuesday, 4 September: General Meeting
- October:** .....Tuesday, 2 October: General Meeting
- November:** ....Tuesday, 6 November: Last General Meeting of the year.

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Every child that isn't born, but is unjustly condemned to be aborted, has the face of Jesus Christ, has the face of the Lord. – Pope Francis

Abortion isn't a lesser evil, it's a crime. Taking one life to save another, that's what the Mafia does. It's a crime. It's an absolute evil. – Pope Francis

You love every child, born and unborn, because you believe that every life is sacred, that every child is a precious gift from God.