



St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish

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Sixth Week of Easter 22nd May 2022 Year C

Readings: *Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Apocalypse 21:10-14, 22-23, John 14:23-29*

Making Room in our Hearts for the Spirit of God

A healthy theology of God demands that we stop teaching that hell can be a nasty surprise waiting for an essentially good person.

The God we believe in as Christians is infinite understanding, infinite compassion, and infinite forgiveness.



God's love surpasses our own and if we, in our better moments, can see the goodness of a human heart despite its lapses and weaknesses, how much more so will God do this.

We've nothing to fear from God.

We honour God not by living in fear lest we offend him, but in spending the wonderful energy that God gives us to help life flourish.

God is not a law to be obeyed, but a joyous spirit within, calling each one of us to life in all its fullness.

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid". John 14: 27

Pete Roe SM

**Saints Peter and Pauls Johnsonville
1922-2022**

LET'S CELEBRATE

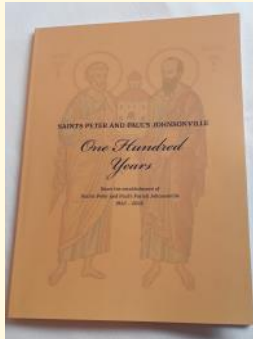
Sunday 26th June 2.00pm

Saints Peter and Pauls Dr Taylor Tce Johnsonville

Mass with Cardinal John Dew presiding
Followed by afternoon tea in the church hall

All welcome - No need to book

Displays to bring back memories.
Read about our faith journey.



Book will be available from 26th June.
It may be purchased on the day. Cost \$20 cash no eftpos.

You may pre order it at - bookings@stfrancisohariu.nz

Payment into parish account
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Book may be picked up on the day or posted.
[Please include Name and postal address]

Extra \$5 for postage and handling [\$25 for book and postage]

Sacramental Programme 2022

This week the children made their First Reconciliation at St Benedict's Church & Ss Peter & Paul Church.

They were prayerful & reflective liturgies, with the children doing a wonderful job acting out the Gospel reading of the Prodigal Son.

Many thanks to all those that attended and supported the children and to those who helped with the planning and preparation.

Feedback from parents and children has been excellent and we look forward to continuing the Sacramental journey with them.



Joe Green's Commissioning

On **Saturday, 11th June 2022 at 5pm Vigil** - St Andrew's Church, Cardinal John Dew will celebrate Mass to Commission Joe Green as the Lay Pastoral Leader in the role of Director of Mission.

You are **all** very welcome to come and celebrate with the Parish.

Following the Mass there will be hospitality at St Andrew's in the lounge.

A shared meal with light refreshments and tea/coffee.

If you would like to bring a plate for the shared meal it would be most welcome.

Tea / Coffee & Light refreshments will be provided.



Onslow Catholic Women's League

Because of the postponement (due to Covid) of the Archdiocesan Conference from March to May, there will not be an Onslow branch meeting this month.

But....we are planning a mid-winter shared lunch to be held on

Tuesday 28th June at 12.30pm in St Benedict's Church foyer, with a speaker (to be announced). So – members and friends, please mark the date in your diaries and watch out for further information.

Prayers of the Faithful

Each month, our weekly Prayers of the Faithful are prepared by one of our 3 Mass community's in turn.

This month our Prayers of the Faithful are being prepared by the Ss Peter and Paul Community.

If you would like to contribute to this important ministry please contact a member of your local Liturgy team.

The Spirit Blows where it will....

Jesus says the Spirit is always the hardest to describe, because "the Spirit blows where it will" (see John 3:8).

Jesus' message to us is clear: don't ever try to control the Spirit and say where it comes from, where it goes, or who has it.

It's called group narcissism whenever we say our group is the only one that has the Spirit or the Truth. Every group at less mature levels will try to put God in their own pocket and say God only loves their group.

Such a belief has nothing to do with the love of God. It isn't a search for Truth or Holy Mystery, but a search for control. It's the search for the small self, the search to make myself feel superior and to stand alone.

I'm not in control or in charge of this Holy Mystery. I don't presume to understand. All I know is I'm forever being drawn - through everything - each manifestation (epiphany) calling for surrender, communion, and intimacy. **Richard Rohr**

Recipe of the Week

We are looking for some recipe ideas / inspiration for our 100 Year celebration.

If you have a favourite recipe, send it to the office and we will publish one a week leading up to the celebrations on 26th June 2002.

If you are really inspired, you may even like to make it for the afternoon tea on the day of the celebrations!

Week 2 recipe [Click here!](#)

Pete always welcomes a tasting!

Pete, Joe, Helen, Angela
The Pastoral Team



Prayer for our Parish of St. Francis of Assisi Ohariu.

Loving God, as members of our Parish of St. Francis of Assisi Ohariu, we come before you in a spirit of love, prayer and thanksgiving.

We pray you bind us together in love. Whatever our age, cultural background and individual roles within our parish, may we be one together in Jesus. May we accept, affirm and support one another.

In your service we offer you our talents and gifts so as to build your Loving Presence amongst us. May our Parish be vibrant with your love and always a place of welcome

May your Holy Spirit anoint us, inspire us, and send us out into the community as witnesses to you and your love and teaching. May we have the courage and compassion to reach beyond our church to the peripheries to those who are most vulnerable and in need.

May your Holy Spirit draw others to you through us.

We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen

St. Francis of Assisi pray for us, and guide us.



St Patrick's College Open Day Tours – June 2022

Tēnā koutou katoa

It is with pleasure that I invite you to register to attend one of our Open Day Tours which are to be held on **Tuesday 14 June** between 10.00am to 11.30am and from 12.30pm to 2.00pm, and again on **Thursday 16 June** at the same times.

To make a booking please either email admin@stpats.school.nz with your request or to make a booking yourself visit the St Patrick's College website: <https://www.stpats.school.nz>

On the front page of our website you will see a drop down menu labelled 'Enrol' and if you click on that and scroll down you will see a tab for Open Day.

Open this section and click on the Blue button – book here.

Enter your details and make your selection regarding day/time.

A reminder email will be sent closer to your booked day.

Open Day is a chance for parents to visit our College and learn about the opportunities and experiences that we offer across Years 9 to 13.

Mike Savali

TUMUAKI | RECTOR

Holy Hour: You are invited to come to a **Holy Hour on Tuesday 24 May** at the Connolly Hall Chapel beginning at **7.30 pm** to pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.

We will also be praying for peace in the world and especially for peace in Ukraine. Included in the hour will be prayers, scripture reading and silence, concluding with Benediction. **All are welcome.**

Inter-Church Service - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Where: Johnsonville Uniting Church
18 Dr Taylor Terrace

When: Thursday 2 June 2022

Time: 7.45 pm start

You are invite for tea/coffee before the service. All are welcome

Adoration

The Sacred Heart Cathedral parish has Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **every Thursday from 8.30 am until 7 pm.**

Please contact Sr Marie Gore if you would like to participate on a regular basis and commit to one hour, or just pop in for a visit for few minutes.

mariegore023@gmail.com

Saint Vincent de Paul Retail Opportunity

Are you able to combine retailing with charity work?

If you answer yes there is an opportunity in the Saint Vincent de Paul charity shop at 4 Broderick Rd. To find out more please contact the manager Diane. Phone number 04 477 1220. Diane will be pleased to hear from you.

CLC Christian Life Community will be starting an Introductory Ignatian Spirituality group on Thursday 16th of June from 10am, at St Thomas More Church, Wilton.

If you are interested in attending please contact Maureen Mckillop on 0211349370 or Susan Chrisp at chrisp.s@extra.co.nz.

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy Online Sessions (Evening):

St Paul – The first Missionary with Kieran Fenn fms.

Mondays, 13 -27 June, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.


All sessions are connected but also stand alone.

\$25/session or \$50/series.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/st-paul-meet-the-first-missionary-7/>

Muffin Talk Radio Programme recordings and video clips on religion, interfaith and community available at <https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/>

For more information and registration: www.studyjoy.nz



Te paepae o te paerangi ki te paewhenua

Where heaven and earth come together

MASS INTENTIONS

We ask for your prayers—Masses have been offered for:



Recently Deceased: Valerie Belich, Herminia Montes

Anniversaries: Marie Dee, Anecito Ramilo

Prayers for the Sick: Margaret Blight, Joe Godinet, Penelope Corich, Mike Coghlan, Ann Zouch, Gerard van der Kaa, John Fanning, Tony Bordignon, Tau So'oa, Fr Frank McGuire, Fr Peter O'Connell, Monsignor John Carde,

Please also remember in your prayers those that are supporting them.
Let us pray for all those in the Ukraine and their New Zealand families at this time. We pray for peace in our World. We also pray for parishioners and their friends & contacts who have been affected by Covid-19.

MASS & LITURGY TIMES

Saturday 21st May - Saturday 28th May

St Andrew's Church 29 Trebann St Newlands

Sat: 21st May, 5pm Vigil
Mass
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Mass

St Benedict's Church 3 Everest St Khandallah

Sun: 9.00am - Word &
Communion
Mon: 9.00am - Liturgy
Mon: 7.00pm - Meditation
Tues: 9.15am - Liturgy
Wed: 9.00am - Liturgy
Thurs: 9.00am - Liturgy
Fri: Exposition 8.30am and
Liturgy at 9.00am

St Peter & Paul's Church 37 Dr Taylor Tce, Johnsonville

Sun: 10.30am - Mass
Mon: 9.00am - Liturgy
Tues: 9.15am - Liturgy
Wed: 11.00am - Mass with
morning tea
Thurs: 9.00am - Liturgy
Fri: 9.00am - Liturgy

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