



St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish

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32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 7th November 2021 Year B
Readings: 1 Kings 17:10-16 , Hebrews 9:24-28 , Mark 12:38-44



Let us pray for our Young People who are being confirmed this weekend.

A great thank you to The Confirmation Team of Sio, Kitty, Leo, Nicole, Kyla and Fiona who have worked so hard with the Young Candidates and their families - a time of spiritual growth and Community connectiveness for the Parish.



FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH: COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION, MISSION

Get ready to participate in a group, by reading and prayerfully reflecting on one of the ten Synod themes. Go to www.wn.catholic.org.nz/about/archdiocesan-synod

SEEK – EXPLORE AND DISCERN

An invitation for young adults to explore their vocation and discern their role in the Church and in the world.

The morning will be focused on discerning personal vocation. In the afternoon, there will be the opportunity to participate in the global Synod discernment process.

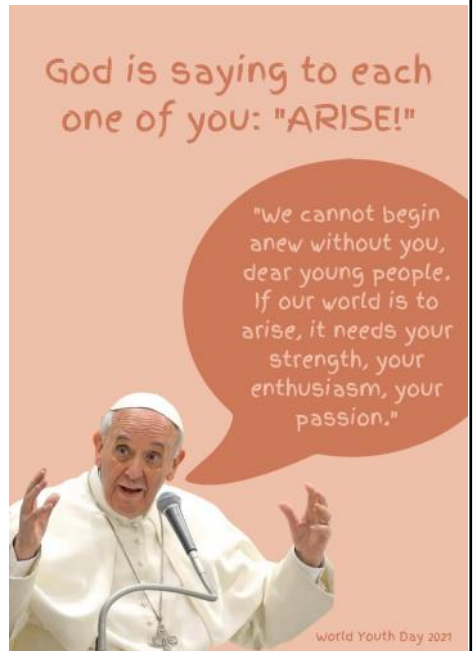
Pope Francis wants to hear from the youth, so please join us and make your voice heard!

Sunday 21st November, 10am to 5pm at Home of Compassion, Island Bay
The afternoon will conclude with a Young Church Mass at 5pm.
BYO lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided.

To register please email youth@wn.catholic.org.nz

FINAL YOUNG CHURCH MASS 2021

Sunday 21 November @ 5pm
Home of Compassion, Rhine Street, Island Bay
All young people are welcome!



*St Benedict's School has kicked off their last big fundraiser for the year - **Christmas Honey!** We have delicious 500gm pots of NZ Multiflora honey with our very own St Benedict's Christmas label. These make great Christmas presents, or load up the pantry for your own family. These are selling for \$15 per jar and all profits are going to St Benedict's School and the completion of our new playground. If anyone would like to order please email Kaye at kayeherrick@gmail.com by December 1st to confirm payment and delivery details. Thanks to all the Parish for their support.*



Te Kupenga - Catholic Theological College (CTC) are currently accepting enrolments for the academic year 2022 for the Bachelor of Theology degree and the Graduate Diploma in Theology degree which starts on the 21st of February 2022.

CONGRATULATIONS and Blessings galore to **DERMOT AND KERI BYRNE** on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary 23rd October 1971.

Out of the entire world, you have chosen one another.

Congratulations to **Gillian and Ewen Laurenson** who have both received a *North Wellington Volunteer Service Award*. The Awards were presented by Hon. Peter Dunne at a function in Johnsonville last weekend, and recognises the immense individual and joint contribution that Gillian and Ewen have selflessly made to our Parish, to their pastoral outreach and to their community over many years. So richly deserved.

In the 20 years that the Awards have been presented, Gillian and Ewen become the second married couple to be jointly honoured at the same ceremony.

Friday November 12th

Day of Reflection with Joy Cowley at Our Lady of Kapiti

Church, 20 Milne Drive, Paraparaumu, 10.30 – 2pm.

Hosted by the CWL Archdiocesan Council. All who would like

to attend are welcome; however, **you would need to be fully**

vaccinated and have registered prior, by Monday

8th November (capped at 100), to the email address given.

Please bring own packed lunch and drink bottle. Masks to be worn and Ko-ha on entry



Brothers and sisters, the Lord's scales are different from ours. He weighs people and their actions differently: God does not measure quantity but quality; he examines the heart; he looks at the purity of intentions... Jesus points to the poor and generous widow as a model of Christian life to be imitated. We do not know her name; however, we know her heart.

Pope Francis, [Angelus 11 November 2018](#)

All Souls Day Mass Reflections –by Nestor and Theresa Fernandez

As I sat there and listen to the words of God, I kept on thinking about family members who passed away, together with dearly departed friends, relatives and parishioners. I was praying for them, plus those who are forgotten. The fact that we are still on lockdown level 2, with restrictions on gatherings, made that holy mass for the souls extra special! In this way, they will always live in our hearts. Which means they are always near us, guiding us, and interceding for us. Always

Remembering our dearly departed loved ones on this All Souls Day brought longing and aching in my heart. It has been a mixture of feelings as we rushed to the familiar surroundings of Ss Peter & Paul. The celebration felt different with only a handful of parishioners present. As I looked around, the masks, the distance from each other emphasised the surreal effect pandemic has brought to us in our community and in our church.

It hit me hard when Fr Pete mentioned about the Mexican Spirituality where a person dies three times. First, the moment of death when the body ceases to function. Second, when the body or ashes are consigned to the earth. Third, is the moment in the future when ones name is spoken for the last time. With tears, I fondly remembered most especially my dad, grandparents, and those that touched my heart in a profound way that left a hole, a longing in my heart. I want to hug them again, to let them feel my love & respect. They are the ones who first showed me how to be loved, allowing me to be the person that I am now. I want to honour them, pray for them for they helped me how to be strong, to value life, learned to recite the Holy Rosary, grow deeper in my faith. Cherish every moment, the many occasions that we celebrated life in every seasons and tides. I want to honour them again, this time in prayers by saying their names, for walking the faith in love, believing that everything has its time and place.

Our lives contain a mixture of joy and sorrow, pleasure and pain, harmony and struggle, and life and death. Each season has its appropriate time in the cycle of life. Nothing stays the same, and we, as God's children, must learn to accept and adjust to the ebb and flow of God's design. Some seasons are difficult, and we may not understand what God is doing. In those times, we must humbly submit to the Lord's plans and trust that he is working out his good purposes.

I pray for our loved ones who has gone before us to rest in God's love.. Grant unto all souls in purgatory, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they all rest in Peace. Amen .

NOVEMBER
THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS

Greetings brothers and sisters,

Planned Giving Appeal

As Covid-19 continues to impact the world, New Zealand and our church, we have continued to miss out on Sunday Mass Gatherings. One of the side affects of being in Delta Level 2 and having restricted numbers at the Sunday masses is of course a limited Sunday Collection.

This has resulted in fewer donations to support the ongoing expenses that we have in the parish. Like you all we still have power, phone, internet, staff costs, rates and insurance and are doing the best to manage on a limited income.

Many regularly give generously through the Mass Collection and last month the donations received were down by approximately \$7000.00. So we ask, if you are able to donate, we encourage you to do so.

**Unite
against
COVID-19**

There are a few ways to donate:

Automatic Payment/Direct Debit: **Automatic payment's** can be set up so that weekly donations are paid directly into the Parish Bank Account.

One-off direct debit payments can also be paid directly into the parish's bank account. Our account is **02-0524-0203642-00** . If you have a planned giving envelope number please include this number as a reference along with your name. If you are not already a part of the Planned Giving, then please include your name as a reference.

Drop off to the Office: As some parishioners are currently doing you are welcome to simply pop your envelopes in the presbytery door at **37 Dr Taylor Terrace**. Alternatively if it's easier you are more than welcome to make a lump sum payment.

We appreciate your generosity in financially supporting the Parish to be strong in its commitment to follow Christ, creating a welcoming community and bringing about a more just and equitable society.

Currently, during Covid-19 Alert Level Delta TWO

Reminder if anyone needs support of any kind: food, travel assistance, information or advice during this Covid-19 time, then please let us know.

**Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish Music Coordinator/ Leader
Sacred Heart Metropolitan Cathedral Parish,**

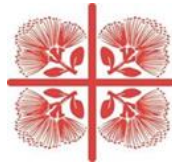
seeks applications for the new part time, position of Music Coordinator/ Leader. This is a part-time, 15 hours per week, fixed term 10-month contract. The successful applicant will be responsible for coordinating the music requirements across all parish liturgies, including the establishment of a voluntary choir to regularly lead the congregation at the Sunday morning service. The position requires flexibility and includes weekend work. Applicants should have musical training to tertiary level or equivalent professional standard, and ideally be familiar with Catholic liturgy.

Written application, enclosing a Curriculum Vitae, position description, and enquiries to Debbie Matheson, the Parish Leader at matheson@wn.catholic.org.nz. Applications close 30 November

Volunteer in Australia, the Pacific and Asia - The Cagliero Project, Salesians of Don Bosco

We are seeking long term (6-12 month) volunteers for January 2022 to work with young people in our Salesian communities in Australia. When it is possible and safe to do so, we will recommence sending volunteers to work with disadvantaged young people in Salesian communities in Samoa, Cambodia, Timor Leste & the Solomon Islands. Applications close November 15th. Send us an inquiry - www.cagliero.org.au or hichaaba@salesians.org.au

The bishops' Nathaniel Centre for bioethics continues its series looking at the challenges for Catholics posed by the "End of Life Choice Act," the euthanasia law which takes effect next Sunday, 7 November.



**TE KUPENGA
NATHANIEL
CENTRE FOR
BIOETHICS**

The changes in the law in New Zealand bring about totally new end-of-life options that pose new challenges for us as Catholics. In response to these changes, the Bishops have produced a Pastoral Statement and Guidelines, available on this link <https://www.catholic.org.nz/.../med.../eolca-catholic-guidelines>.

**LESSONS
LEARNED**

Jesus sees
our giving
Amount of
gift irrelevant



Upcoming Events/Notices

Hearts Aflame needs your support

Hearts Aflame is a national Catholic event for young adults that has been running for 30 years. At Hearts, people are drawn into a deeper relationship with Christ through the Sacraments, formation, and community. Many participants describe it as life-changing. With the 30th anniversary coming up, the Hearts Aflame Planning Team invites parishioners to support this event.

If you would like to make a donation, please visit the website at www.heartsaflame.org.nz/donate. Above all, prayer is always appreciated!

Ignatian Imaginative Contemplation

Praying with Imagination

with Laetitia Puthenpadath

Trust that God works through our imagination, and find new ways of meaningful prayer.

In these introductory sessions, you are invited to follow in the tradition of St Ignatius of Loyola and his Spiritual Exercises.

Experience prayer with all your senses, engaging mind, heart and emotions.



These are two sessions on Ignatian Imaginative Contemplation. For the second session, it is recommended that participants have participated in an introductory session.

Laetitia Puthenpadath has a Master's Degree in Spiritual Direction and is accredited to give the full Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius of Loyola.



Part I: Introduction in Imaginative Contemplation

Thursday, 04 November, 2-3.30pm per ZOOM (Koha/Donation)

Part II: Incarnation Prayer

Thursday, 25 November, 2-3.30pm per ZOOM (Koha/Donation)

For more information and registration: www.studyjoy.nz

Compassion Soup Kitchen is open

Serving takeaway meals 12pm and 1pm, Monday - Saturday if you need a hot meal, come and collect a nutritious takeaway meal.

For more information visit our website: [https://](https://soupkitchen.org.nz)

soupkitchen.org.nz or

ph: (04) 385-9299



For a
Synodal
Church

"A synodal Church discerns how prayer and liturgical celebration inspires and empowers the community's active participation in our communal mission."

Catholicism (Prayerbook) Document on St. Paul's Mission 1.0



MASS INTENTIONS



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

Recently Deceased: Frances (Francesca) Williams, Bienvenido Estor

(All Souls Remembrance) David Morrish

Poulose Pondhekkann Ouseph, Passed away 11th August 2021 - Daughter of Pexy Poulose & Son in Law of Manuel Miranda, The Parents and Relations of Ernest and Collett Perera, Pio Estipona, Salvacion Estipona, Elpidio Alano, Jaime Estipona, Josefina Dino,

Prayers for the Sick— John Fanning, Tony Bordignon, Dianne Greene (Mother of Steven Greene), Monsignor John Carde, Fr Colin Durning, Fr Frank Whitaker, Fr Peter O'Connell, Fr David Gledhill Tau So'oa (father of Mel Aspinall), Patricia Davidson (mother of Scott Davidson),

Please also remember in your prayers those that are supporting them.

We pray for parishioners and their friends & contacts who have been affected by Covid-19. We also pray for Auckland and all those working to prevent the spread of Covid-19.

MASS & LITURGY TIMES 7th November - 13th November

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

Sun: Mass 10.30am
Mon: 9am Liturgy
Tues: 9.15am Liturgy
Wed: 11am Mass (No Cup of Tea)
Thurs: 9am Liturgy
Fri: 9am Mass

St Andrew's Church 29 Trebann St Newlands

Saturday: 6pm Vigil Mass

St Benedict's Church 3 Everest St Khandallah

Sunday Mass 9.00am
Monday 9.00 Liturgy
Monday 7.00 Meditation
Tuesday 9.15 Liturgy
Wednesday 9.00 Liturgy
Thursday 9.00 Liturgy
Friday Exposition 8.30 Liturgy at 9.00
Saturday 9.00 Liturgy

Please note. **Reconciliation** is held at St Peter and Paul's on the first Wednesday of the month, at 10.30am before the 11am Mass (Covid Permitting).

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