



# St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish

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**The Body and Blood of Christ 19th June 2022 Year C**

**Readings:** *Genesis 14:18-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, Luke 9:11-17*

## **The Body and Blood of Christ. Luke 9: 11-17**

The Eucharist is the centre of our Christian faith. Each time we receive the Eucharist our spirit is replenished through the deep abiding of Jesus within us. We are strengthened for the journey ahead.

Our relationship with all who comprise the Body of Christ is also deepened. The Eucharist, through the presence of Jesus in each one of us who receive Him, unites us together. It is wonderful.

The feeding of 5000 people is a story of Jesus meeting an immense need with the resources he had. Jesus thanked His Heavenly Father for the few loaves and fish, before dividing the food and giving pieces to the disciples to feed the people. In doing so the disciples displayed a deep faith and trust in Jesus that the portions of food they were given to distribute would be enough. As they went and distributed the miracle happened.

Our call is to the needy. Often the need can seem to be too big. However in effect Jesus says "I am with you. Go with the resources you have and I will do the rest."

We are fed by the Eucharist just as Jesus fed the large crowd. We are fed so that we in turn can feed others in their need. Like the disciples we too have to trust that the resources Jesus has given us will be enough. This is summed up by Paul writing to the Ephesians (ch3 v20), -"Glory be to Him whose power at work in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine."

Let us go out in the faith and confidence that the power of Jesus is at work in us—beyond imagination.

Ewen Laurenson



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

**LET'S CELEBRATE**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2.00pm**

(Please note there will be no 10.30am Mass on this day)

Saints Peter and Pauls Dr Taylor Tce Johnsonville

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

**Please bring a "sweet" plate if possible**

All welcome - No need to book

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



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

You may pre order it at - [bookings@stfrancisohariu.nz](mailto:bookings@stfrancisohariu.nz)  
Alternatively order forms are available in the church foyers

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]

## Parish 100 Years Celebration



Challenge 2000 congratulates the Parish on this significant Anniversary.

Challenge 2000 started in the Parish in 1988 and has been an active member ever since.

We are aware that the old Brigidine Sisters Convent also has a long history in the Parish. Challenge 2000 is privileged to work out of this building, so as part of the Parish celebrations, there will be an "open home" at the "convent" from 3.30pm on the day for those who are interested.

Feel free to come across and have a look at part of the Parish history. You are very welcome.

**St Brigid's School Liturgies** Most Tuesday mornings during the school term, the Challenge 2000 youth team arrange liturgies for children at St Brigid's school and parishioners at Ss Peter and Paul.

If you are free or working from home we'd love to have you join with our children for half an hour to take time out to be and pray.

The liturgies are at 9:15am, and the dates for the rest of the school term are **June 21st, and 28th**. We hope to see you there!

## **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.



## Parish Information

### First Communion Programme

Preparation for First Holy Communion has begun.

For all session times and dates please [click here](#).

### The First Communion Masses are at:

St Benedict's Church: **Sunday, 10th July, 9am**

Ss Peter and Paul Church: **Sunday 24th July, 2pm**

**Note the change in date with the Ss Peter and Paul Mass.**

### Parents' Info Sessions

Parents are invited to attend one of either of the information sessions that suits them time wise.

Ss Peter and Paul Church: **Held last Sunday**

St Benedict's Church: **Thursday 23rd June, 7:00pm - 7:45pm.**

Parent/s/caregivers will also be sent some information on the Programme prior to its start.

### Confirmation Programme 2022

The first Confirmation Mass will be on **Sunday 7th August at 10:30 AM** at Ss Peter and Paul Church Johnsonville.

This is for those children who attended the Sacramental programme in 2020 or 2021 or who are over the age of 11 and have not yet been confirmed.

Times and sessions in the brochure. Please [click here](#).

Confirmation Masses for those in the Sacramental Programme this year or who are eligible to be confirmed this year as follows:

St Benedict's Church - **Saturday, 29th October, 5pm**

Ss Peter & Paul Church - **Sunday, 30th October, 10.30am**

All details for the programme are available on our website for information please [click here](#).

## The Commissioning of Joe Green

We were honoured to have His Eminence Cardinal John Dew celebrate the commissioning of Joe Green as the Lay Pastoral Leader in the role of Director of Mission last Saturday 11 June 2022 along with a Blessing of Helen De Gregorio, Angela Mollo, and Fr Pete Roe who are part of the new Pastoral Team.



Joe was supported by his wife, daughter and her family who were delighted with his new role.

The commissioning was hosted by St. Andrew's Church Committee.

It was a wonderful celebration of yet another milestone. The church was beautifully decorated with harmonious music filling the church, thanks to the wonderful choir.

The after-Mass refreshments were held in the Tea room, which had the perfect ambience, well decorated and delicious food.

Thank you to all who contributed and helped for this event.

Stephanie D'Mello



*Thank you !*

*The parish pastoral team are very appreciative of the community's efforts to celebrate Joe's commissioning and the blessing on us as a team. A lovely liturgy combined with a wonderful meal, surrounded by the aroha of the community made for a specially memorable event.*

## Other Events/Notices

### Ordination Anniversaries

*"You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek". Hebrew 7:17*  
50th

John Walls SM	22/01/1972
Alan Roberts	17/06/1972
Julian Wagg	18/06/1972
Ron Bennett	19/06/1972

60th

Roderick Milne SM	01/07/1962
Tom O'Brien	17/06/1962
David Arms SSC	29/06/1962

65th

Brian Wysocki SM	17/07/1957
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Clergy Jubilees Mass will be on **July 14th, Thursday, 11am, at St. Patrick's Kilbirnie**. All welcome to attend.

### 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/2022/06/03/st-paul-meet-the-first-missionary-2/>

**Stories, Films & the Bible** with Fr Kevin Waldie sm.

Friday, 08 July, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.

All sessions are connected but also stand alone.

Koha/Donations welcome.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2022/06/04/stories-films-the-bible/>

### Onslow Catholic Women's League

Our mid-winter lunch will be held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 12.30pm in St Benedict's Church foyer, with soup and sandwiches and more provided by Committee members!



Matthew White, seminarian, currently at Otari Parish has agreed to come and speak to us on his vocation story and Maori spirituality.

We look forward to seeing our members and friends and invite you to take this opportunity of hearing about Matt's journey to the priesthood.

We are intending to take some more contributions to the Wellington Homeless Women's Trust soon, and would very much appreciate any items that you might be able to spare for them: toiletries, knick-knacks, colouring books, etc.

## Other Events/Notices

### Final opportunity to give to the Bishops' Lent 2022 appeal

It is now two months since the end of Lent, during which time you'll recall Caritas ran the Bishops' Lent Appeal. We are incredibly thankful to all those who gave to the Lent Appeal.

This Appeal supports Caritas in working with poor and vulnerable communities around the world, engagement with Catholic schools in New Zealand, and social justice work here in Aotearoa New Zealand. We recognise that 2022 was a difficult Lent, with Covid restrictions, limited Mass numbers and some challenges in having a regular parish collection at Mass. So we wanted those who hadn't had an opportunity to give, to have another chance to do so.

Caritas is still accepting donations, either in a Lenten or marked "Lent" envelope in Mass, or online through it's website at [www.caritas.org.nz/donate](http://www.caritas.org.nz/donate). You can also contact Caritas directly either by email at [caritas@caritas.org.nz](mailto:caritas@caritas.org.nz), or by phone on 0800 22 10 22.

### Lamb of God Christian Community - Life in the Spirit Seminar

#### **When:**

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July (9:30am – 4:40pm)

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July (1:30pm – 4:30pm)

#### **Where:**

St. John's Anglican Church

18 Bassett Road, Johnsonville

**Registration Link:** <https://forms.gle/SvcjFkBPg7E8TiCb6>

**Contact Email:** [lifeinthspirit.log@gmail.com](mailto:lifeinthspirit.log@gmail.com)

### Suzanne Aubert's 187th Birthday Celebration

The Sisters of Compassion would like to invite you to celebrate the 187th Birthday of Meri Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert, on **Sunday, 19th June, 11.00am**.

The celebration will take place with a Commemorative Mass at Our Lady's Home of Compassion at 11:00 am, which will feature music by St Mary College. Afterward, attendees will enjoy refreshments in the Heritage Centre.

The invitation is open to all who wish to attend one of the most significant events in the Compassion calendar and a time to reflect on the life and legacy of our founder Meri Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert.



# MASS INTENTIONS



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

**Recently Deceased:** Ken Thomason, Gerardine Mollo

**Anniversaries:** Wendy Collier

**Prayers for the Sick:** Margaret Blight, Joe Godinet, Penelope Corich, Mike Coghlan, Ann Zouch, 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 18th June - Saturday 25th June**

### **St Andrew's Church 29 Trebann St Newlands**

Sat: 18th June Vigil Mass

Sat: 25th June Word & Communion

### **St Benedict's Church 3 Everest St Khandallah**

Sun: 9.00am - Mass  
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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