

# St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish

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Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Sunday 15 August 2021 Year B Readings: Apocalypse 11:19,12:1-6,10; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26; Luke 1:39-56

# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



# Te Ara a Maria : Mary's Way Rededication of Aotearoa New Zealand to Mary Mother of God Assumed into Heaven

On Sunday 15th August, the Solemnity of the Assumption, there will be a special Mass at St Mary of the Angels when Aotearoa New Zealand will be rededicated to Mary, Mother of God, Assumed into Heaven. The country was first dedicated to Mary under that title in 1838. This will be a National celebration with representatives from the six Dioceses of New Zealand present with the Apostolic Nuncio and the New Zealand Bishops. A new artwork honouring this occasion has been commissioned and will be presented that day. The next day the artwork will begin a Hikoi of the country to significant places (with especially Marian connections). The artwork will be brought back to St Mary of the Angels on the Feast of the Annunciation next year. The hikoi will also coincide with the Centenary of the Opening of St Mary of the Angels Church.

The **National Liturgy Office** has prepared two YouTube videos (links below) to help Catholics across the country to sing the himene Mō Maria, which was composed by Bishop Pompallier. Over the years the versions, pronunciations and melodies of the hymn have varied from Pompallier's original. This has made it more difficult for us to sing the hymn harmoniously. The August 15 rededication of the country to Mary gives us an opportunity to promote Mō Maria as a national Catholic anthem.

Mō Maria – An Introduction: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watchv=sDFehbr8g6w">https://www.youtube.com/watchv=sDFehbr8g6w</a> Mō Maria – A Hymn: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c2Yq4rl6Ml8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c2Yq4rl6Ml8</a> These videos return to the source, the Hokianga, to learn the original text and melody from the locals. The first is a documentary style introduction to the hymn, the second has the words onscreen to sing along with. All are welcome at St Mary of the Angels on **Sunday 15th August at 1.30pm**.

#### Website for Te Ara a Maria: Mary's Way Project

A website has been created to help promote the bishops' renewal of the

dedication of the country to Our Lady Assumed into Heaven. The renewal project has the title Te Ara a Maria: Mary's Way and runs for 12 months from 15 August.

Go here for the website: www.tearaamaria.nz

The website contains details of the project. It will be updated regularly to include the schedule of the nationwide hikoi of the artwork created for the project.

The hikoi starts on August 18 in Invercargill.



### Reflective Workshops for Healthy Ministry

Reflective Workshops, Interested!? Email office@stfrancisohariu.nz (Attention Fr Pete)

The workshops are designed to be an opportunity for those wishing to explore their personal pastoral development. They aim to give individuals a chance to learn about themselves. Going forward there may be opportunities to take up ministries in the Parish.



'A Healthy Life means a Healthy Leader a Healthy Leader means a Healthy Ministry'. (Pete Roe)

Four pastoral formation sessions of 1½ hours duration will be held on consecutive Wednesday evenings in September.

Sessions and presenter/facilitators as follows:

- Wed 1 Sept Discerning the Call recovering our sense of purpose, the Gospel call. Recognising the Spirit's call and acknowledging the temptation to 'get in the way' replacing God's Spirit with our own ego and needs. Ministry is mission-focussed rather than me-focussed. (Chris Duthie-Jung)
- Wed 8 Sept Discerning Responses healthy parishioner relationships and how to 'not react' but, instead, to take time to discern an appropriate and constructive response. How to create win/win outcomes by hearing peoples' real needs and responding well. (Pete Roe and Richard Kerr-Bell)
- Wed 15 Sept Discerning Community bi-cultural and multi-cultural commitment – understanding and being sensitive toward different culture. (Richard Kerr-Bell)
- Wed 22 Sept **Discerning Mission** what is our parish mission (as captured in our pastoral plan) and what might the Spirit be calling me to within this mission. Becoming enablers of others bringing through others into ministry rather than claiming roles for ourselves. Recap keep ing ourselves safe and healthy. (Chris Duthie-Jung & Pete Roe)

There will be a half-hour prayer reflection time on Evangelii Gaudium to conclude each session.

# He Īnoi mō te Hātotanga o te Kahurangi nei a Meri Hōhepa

E te Ariki e Hēhu Karaiti, nāu mātou i whakaako mēnā ka puaki atu mātou i te pūaroha mō te iti, arā, ngā tēina, ngā tuākana, ngā tuāhine me ngā tungāne, kātahi ka whakaatu mātou i te pūaroha ki ā koe.

Whakarongo mai ki ā mātou īnoinga ki a Meri Hōhepa te Wahine Kahurangi nāna i te aroha te iwi Māori. Nāna i awhi ngā tāngata pōhara, ngā tūroro, me ngā tāngata rawakore. Meatia tēna, kua karanga rawa atu te Hāhi i tētahi tāngata o āu pononga tapu, o āu tāngata māhaki hoki. Ā te wā tonu, mā te katoa e mōhio mai tōna Hātotanga. Āmene.

# Prayer for the beatification of Suzanne Aubert

Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us that as often as we show compassion to the least of your brothers and sisters, we show it to you.

Hear our prayers that Venerable Suzanne Aubert, who loved the Māori people and devoted her life to the poor, the sick and the underprivileged, and whom the Church has declared to be one of your true and humble followers, may soon be recognised as a saint.

#### **Amen**



# St Francis of Assisi Property Review

The LFT has decided to continue the discernment by hosting several casual conversations with Parishioners to discuss further the future of our parish.

Fr Jim Dooley will also be providing a prayerful space for conversations about the Vision/Mission of our Parish & the Property Review during weekdays.

#### These will be:

- Sunday August 15th 12-1pm St Peter and Paul.
- Wednesday August 18th 7-8pm St Peter and Paul.
- Thursday August 19th 3pm at Challenge 2000, 1 Wanaka Street. Led by Fr Jim Dooley. Scones will be provided by the Youth Ministry Team.







- Saturday August 21st 4-5pm St Andrew's.
- Sunday August 22nd 10.30-11.30am St Benedict's.
- Monday Morning August 23rd following 9am Mass at St Benedict's. Led by Fr Jim Dooley.
- Wednesday August 25th following 11am Mass and Lunch at St Peter & Paul's. Led by Fr Jim Dooley.

Please come along to any of the conversations to pray, reflect and share. All Welcome.

More details about the property review can be found on the parish website here: <a href="http://stfrancisohariu.nz/updates/building-and-property-review/">http://stfrancisohariu.nz/updates/building-and-property-review/</a>

#### **Upcoming Events/Notices**

#### **Book of Life**

The book of Life will be presented in September. If there has been any celebrations, articles that anyone would like to put in the Book please email Carol Ryan at carol.may.ryan@gmail.com or leave in the box in the church foyer at Sts Peter and Paul. Or contact Joanne Gordon 9388160.

**Malvina Major: Anointing Mass** Tues 17 August 2.30pm in the Chapel. All very welcome



**Monday Marian Mothers' Group** 

All mothers and children are warmly invited to this welcoming group that meets on the 3rd Monday of each month. We have a cuppa, the kids play, and we chat about how we bring our faith into our homes. Come along and give it a try! Monday, 16th August, 10am - 12pm, 261 Middleton Road, Glenside (Churton Park). Any questions, please call Stephanie on 021 138 0430.

#### St Margaret Clitherow Day (Patron Saint of the CWL)

To celebrate the feast of St Margaret Clitherow, there will be a Liturgy at **10am** at **Our Lady of Kapiti Church**, 20 Milne Drive, Paraparaumu, on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August, followed by morning tea. There will then be a speaker from **L'Arche Kapiti**. We are invited to stay on for a shared lunch (please bring a plate). If any of our members would like to share transport, please contact Margaret Dunne on 478 6348. This celebration will take the place of the usual August Tuesday social meeting.

#### **Organ Recital**

David Dobson (one of our Music Ministry team) is to present an organ recital under the auspices of "Save The Children Fund", for victims of the Covid Crisis in Fiji.

When: 12th September, 2.30pm

Where: Christian Science Church, 186 Willis Street. (Parking available at rear of church in Victoria Street)

What: Music by Bossi, Merkel, and others, including some organ favourites by Handel, Arthur Sullivan, and Cesar Franck.

#### **Adult Programme: Seasons for Growth weekend course for adults:**

For people who have been touched by change, loss, bereavement, separation, divorce, redundancy, this provides an opportunity to process what has happened and gain skills to respond well to such experiences. We may not choose the changes in our lives – but we can choose how we meet them.

Catholic Social Services is offering a weekend programme to adults:

- Dates: Friday 22nd October (6.00-8.00pm), Saturday, 23rd October (9.00am-6.00pm), to Sunday 24th October 2021 (12.30-3.00pm)
- · Venue: on application Johnsonville
- · Cost: \$40 covering materials and research.
- Registration: closes Monday, 4th October.

"It didn't just help me with the past. It is helping me with the future as well ... I developed tools that have helped my recovery" - participant

For more information, please contact Katrin Eickhorst, Trainer/Coordinator Seasons for Growth Catholic Social Services T: (04) 385 8642 M: 021 374 405 seasons@wn.catholic.org.nz

A musical evening with Fr Chris Skinner, supported by St Catherine's College students, at 7pm on Sunday 22 August at St Joseph's Church, Ellice St, Mt Victoria. \$20 cash at door or go on line to www.trybooking.co.nz/ HZW . Booking fee is 30 cents. Fr Chris's cds will be available to purchase www.chrisskinner.org.nz

#### Sacred Heart Cathedral Restoration Fundraising Event Journeying the Camino de Santiago with Cardinal John Dew, Wednesday, 8 September, 6pm

We are privileged to have Cardinal John as our inaugural guest speaker in the first of a fundraiser speaker series. Cardinal John will share his spiritual journey walking the magnificent Camino de Santiago. Come hear about his personal pilgrimage over dinner at the Aries Restaurant. Date: 8 September 2021, 6pm

Venue: Aries Restaurant, 1/7 Tennyson Street, Te Aro, Wellington 6011

Tickets: \$55 including full course dinner. Tickets on sale after Mass or contact Noeline Matthews at 499 9631 or email MCSHCaminoDinner@gmail.com

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 21/22 August 2021	5pm Vigil St Andrew's	9am St Benedict's	10.30am St Peter & Paul's
MUSIC	Connie's Group	Music Group	KPF
GREETERS	Joanne Gordon	Andrea Lai	
WELCOME/PRAYERS OF FAITHFUL	Agustilia Rodrigues	Tony de Joux/ Robyn Radomski	John Kleinsman
1st PROCLAIMER	Anushka D'Souza	Tony de Joux	Merlyn Bonaparte
2nd PROCLAIMER	Anushka D'Souza	Robyn Radomski	Carol Ryan
COLLECTION			
OFFERTORY	Dela Cruz Family		
EUCHARIST	Barbara Diggins	Margaret Dunne	Ted White, Martin Keene, Vivian Gonzalez
ALTAR SERVERS	Enrico Vaz & Maegan D'Souza		
CHAIRS & DOORS			Merlyn Bonaparte
HOSPITALITY		Lawson Family	
CLEANERS		Bernard Whaanga & Mary Railton	Karen Porter

#### MASS INTENTIONS

We ask for your prayers - Masses have been offered for



**Recently deceased**— Heather Carter (mother-in-law of Andrea Adams), Mr Poulose Pondhekkan Ouseph, Amie Cabral in Mt Victoria, Wellington

**Anniversaries**— David Shroff, Lucia Uy Tan, Rizalito Mejia (Mary Ann Mulqueen's father), Cheryl Marie Austin, Myrna Mangete

**Prayers for the Sick**— Fr Brian Wysocki, Monsignor John Carde, Fr Maurice Carmody, Fr Don Morrison, Fr Colin Durning, Fr Frank Whitaker, Fr Peter O'Connell, Fr David Gledhill SM, Dianne Greene (Mother of Steven Greene),

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

We ask for prayers for parishioners and their friends & contacts who have been affected by Covid-19.

# We welcome into the parish community the newly Baptised:

Tatiana Nolte & Jamie-Lee Nolte

**Baptism Requests** 

In the Parish of St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Baptism's are usually held on the third Sunday of each month.

If you or someone you know would like to arrange a Baptism please contact the parish office and we will get some information to you.

### MASS & LITURGY TIMES 16 -22 August

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

Mon: 9am Liturgy

Tues: 9.15 Liturgy School/

Parish

Wed: 11am Mass Thurs: 9am Liturgy

Fri: 9am Mass

Sunday: 10.30am Mass

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

Friday: Divine Mercy

6.30pm

Saturday: 5pm Vigil Mass

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

Mon: 9am Liturgy, 7pm Meditation Tues: 9.15am Liturgy Wed: 9.00am Liturgy Thurs: 9am Liturgy Friday: 9am Liturgy Sat: 9am Liturgy

Sunday: 9am Mass

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

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