



St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish

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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 17 October 2021 Year B
Readings: Isaiah 53:10-11; Hebrews 4:14-16; Mark 10:35-45

There will be only two Masses in our parish this weekend.
Saturday 16th October St Andrew's at 5pm
Sunday 17th October St Peter and Paul's 10.30am.
There is no Mass at St Benedict's this Sunday.

Pope Francis has called an International Synod Assembly;
The theme is: ***For a Synodal Church: communion, participation, and mission.***

The word 'synodality' means "walking together". We, the People of God, are invited to reflect together on what this mutual journey means for us as missionary disciples and servants of the gospel and for our Church.

This invitation to think about who we are as church is for every baptised person.

The first phase which effects our parish is from *October 2021 – February 2022*

Everyone in the Archdiocese of Wellington is invited to participate in this phase of the global Synod consultation process. The objective of this phase is to consult the People of God so that all the diverse voices of people from all ages, cultures, way of life, socio economic, geographical places are heard.

There will be various ways in which you can participate in this process. In the spirit of synodality, our parish will be encouraging people to think about the mission of the church, how we participate actively in it and how we live in communion together. We will be encouraging individuals, groups, communities and families to share their hopes and dreams, fears and anxieties through discussion, prayer and then submissions. More about this later! If you would like more information then visit **the Synod page on The Archdiocese of Wellington's website** for more information. This is also a really good time for us to be involved in this process as we also evaluate what we need property wise in Ohariu and how we are to live our Parish Mission and Vision. Exciting changes and times. So lets get praying and learning! As Cardinal Dew says: *"The Holy Father wants to hear the voices of all the baptised. He believes the time is ripe for a wider participation of the people of God in a decision-making process that affects the whole Church and everyone in it."*

"Enabling everyone to participate is an essential ecclesial duty!" Francis said

Greetings and news from the Leadership Team

Covid Level 2: A big thank you to all those who have helped or are in the process of helping our three parish churches get ready for Eucharistic Liturgies and Masses during the week and on weekends. A lot of preparation for our return to "church" is going on so please, everyone, let your fellow parishioners know you notice what is being done!

Give a kind smile (behind your mask!!), wink or a thumbs up to these front line toilers as you go in and out of our churches.

A reminder too that if you have a spare hour or two, there is still much to be done and we do need additional parishioners to have a turn in the driver's seat rather than stay as a passenger.

Please if you have booked to go to Mass this weekend or a mass/Eucharistic Liturgy during the week **REMEMBER:**

Wear a mask

Scan or sign in

Keep at least one metre apart. Including in the foyer, body of the church and outside the church

Sanitise before and at the end of the mass/liturgy

Please also leave your mask on during the time you are in the church.

When receiving communion, take from the priest minister and return to your seat and then remove your mask, consume the body of Jesus and replace your mask

When leaving the church maintain your distance

People are welcome to stay and pray after mass/the liturgy

And please **ALSO:**

- Get vaccinated and encourage others to do so
- Wear a mask whenever you are in public
- Pray for the needs of our parish, community, country and world
- Reach out and support those in need
- Breathe and appreciate all that we do have – this time will pass
- Know that Jesus is with us
 Know that we have each other

Other News:

St Francis of Assisi Ohariu has been fortunate enough to receive \$10,000 from The *Tindall Foundation* and \$37,880 for the *Caritas Pro Vitae Gradu Trust for Pastoral Support* to those in need, our food bank, Outreach to Refugees and Refugee women and those needing practical support in Covid times.

The Leadership Team is in the process of setting up a Committee to coordinate this project and to employ a part time worker and to support this important mission of our parish. For the past months volunteers have been doing this work and now we have the opportunity to develop an outreach infrastructure and hire a project worker.

We are indeed blessed. If you would like to know more about this project, be on the Committee or be involved then please contact either **Kitty McKinley** 021491459 or **John Kleinsman** 0278467489.

NEW STAFF IN OUR PARISH:

Welcome to **Angela Mollo**:

The Leadership Team is really pleased to announce the appointment of **Angela Mollo** to the Parish Office Manager Position.

Angela is a Wellington local and St Francis of Assisi parishioner and has recently returned with her family following a long stint in the UK and Ireland. Angela starts on Monday with our Parish. Its great to have you on board Angela.

Ordination of Hayden Powick to the Society of Mary:



Last Saturday Hayden was ordained a priest in his home parish of Richmond at the top of the South Island.

Cardinal Dew and many of our Marist priests and two parishioners of Ohariu attended to celebrate this wonderful event.

Hayden will be stationed at St Mary of the Angels and be working at St Patricks Town over the next few months.

Read of Hayden's ordination and the inspiring words of Cardinal John in the latest edition of **NZ CATHOLIC**.

Weekend Mass at St Benedict's will resume next Sunday 24th October at 9am. please come early so that there is no chaos or waiting around the sign in and seating social distancing. Watch for updates as there may still need to be registration through the Archdiocese of Wellington Website.

Confirmation Programme and Masses; At this stage we will be going ahead with Confirmation Masses on the weekend of November 6 and 7. Times for these masses may change slightly depending on the Covid Level that Wellington is in.

The sacramental team will advise next week the possible details of these Masses after consulting with our Liturgy teams. With a 100 person limit there are challenges around this. And all will be well.

Parents/families you will also be emailed next week with additional material to go through with your children and details of how/when we can have meetings to continue the face to face meetings. As we have children from different schools on the programme we are attempting to provide the Confirmation sessions in school bubbles or as individuals in some cases. If you have any questions at all please contact Kitty or Sio.

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

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."

Celebration (Preparatory Document no. 3), Vatican 2018, 5.3

Parish Update - Property Review

Thank you to those who have been following along and contributing to the Property Review process so far.

Unfortunately due to the recent Covid-19 Delta outbreak we have not been able to hold the meetings we had planned for the property review. Once we are able to meet in person we will reschedule those meetings.

In the meantime we would appreciate getting some input from you for the property review. We have prepared a survey which we would like you to complete.

Before doing the survey it would be useful to read the Background Information available on the website.

To access the survey please go the Parish Website. We will share the results with you. This request has been sent to over 800 people

We ask that you continue to pray for the Parishes discernment. Blessings, Very few have answered the Survey. Our future depends on each person's involvement. Don't complain if you don't take the opportunity to be heard now.



We're Hiring!

Permanent Fulltime — Parish Director of Mission

St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish is seeking a **Full-Time Parish Director of Mission** to work collaboratively with the Parish's office team, parish leadership and volunteers.

This is a challenging and exciting opportunity for an individual who can provide pastoral leadership for the faith community of St Francis of Assisi Ohariu.

Ideally you will have a background of active involvement in a Catholic Parish, be an excellent communicator with well-developed interpersonal and problem-solving skills and can work collaboratively and effectively within our community of communities. Formal studies in scripture, liturgy, ecclesiology, morality, and parish ministry is desirable.

The role is Full-Time, based in Johnsonville.

To view the full job description or Apply Visit <http://stfrancisohariu.nz/updates/vacancies/>

Applications close 19th October 2021 at 11.59pm.

For more information on the position please email office@stfrancisohariu.nz or thomas0davis@gmail.com



ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

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



A Historical Walking Tour of Suzanne Aubert Meri Hōhepa's Wellington

Two sessions – October 26 10am or October 30 10am, Begins at Pukeahu Education Centre, 18 Buckle Street, Te Aro

Limited spaces, RSVP to events@compassion.org.nz or (04) 383 7769 by Oct 23. Free but a koha toward the Compassion Soup Kitchen would be appreciated.

Join Sr Sue Cosgrove and follow the footsteps of Suzanne Aubert Meri Hōhepa through Wellington city. The tour begins at Suzanne's Historic Crèche (now the Pukeahu Education Centre) in Buckle Street. This was one of the first successful crèches to operate in New Zealand. Around the corner is the Compassion Soup Kitchen in Tory Street, not far from its original location. The response of the Soup Kitchen to hunger and social isolation has been constant since 1901. Next we will visit St Mary of the Angel's, the church where Suzanne Aubert's funeral was held in 1926. Wellington stopped and thousands lined Willis and Boulcott Streets to pay their respects to this extraordinary women who had done so much to help people, regardless of faith or background. The tour finishes at Parliament. Suzanne walked through this part of town visiting politicians and supporters, and mixing her herbal remedies in Molesworth Street.

Craft Gathering at the Home of Compassion

Wednesdays, 12noon

Venue: Suzanne Aubert Heritage Centre, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay

Join us for our weekly craft gathering. For more information contact ph: (04) 383-7769 or events@compassion.org.nz

Upcoming Events/Notices

Compassion Soup Kitchen is open

Serving takeaway meals between 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://soupkitchen.org.nz> or ph: (04) 385-9299

Te Ngākau Tapu parish, Porirua (next door to Bishop Viard College): Sunday Masses will resume at the parish on Sunday, 17th October at 10am (in te reo Māori) and 5.15pm (English). If you wish to attend please use the electronic registration system through the website of the Archdiocese of Wellington. The Friday 12.05pm Mass has also resumed.

“Spirit” Holiday Programme for children

The Youth Ministry team offered a holiday programme on Thursday October 14th in our Johnsonville parish centre. For Covid Safety reasons the children were all from St Brigid's School. 25 children attended the Holiday Programme. Thursday was a day filled with fun, laughter, drawing, colouring, music and many fun games.

We did some artwork together that they could take home to their families and we finished with a fashion show, displaying all of our creative outfits. Thanks to our Parish College Youth Leaders Frankie, James, Miguel and Kelly. Also to Fiona, Brady, Shyanne, Doris, Kyla and Phoebe for your contribution. Steph and Kirsty for your wisdom and support. I think its fair to say that we all had a great and exciting day having fun as a parish community. The parents all seemed pretty happy too! If you'd like to be involved in our Youth Outreach team helping others in different ways then please call Sio. Its rewarding giving and we have all sorts of primary school retreat days and activities coming up over the next three months.



MASS INTENTIONS



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

Anniversaries— Ellen de Joux, Owen de Joux, Pelasio Iaseto (Sio's Dad)

Prayers for the Sick— John Fanning, Tony Bordignon, Dianne Greene (Mother of Steven Greene), Fr Brian Wysocki, Monsignor John Carde, Fr Maurice Carmody, 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 ask for prayers 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 17- 24th October

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

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

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,
Wed: 9.00am Liturgy
Thurs: 9am Liturgy
Friday: 9am Liturgy
Sunday: 9am Mass

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