

St Francis Xavier Parish Usual Timetable					
	1st Sun of Month	2nd Sun of Month	3rd Sun of Month	4th Sun of Month	5th Sun of Month
St Francis Xavier	6pm Sat Vigil 8am Sun 10am Sun (Miha)	6pm Sat Vigil (Youth Mass) 8am & 10am Sun	6pm Sat Vigil 8am & 10am Sun	6pm Sat Vigil 8am Sun 10am Sun (Family Mass)	6pm Sat Vigil 8am & 10am Sun
Ruakaka	10.30 am *Liturgy	10.30am Eucharist	10.30 am *Liturgy	10.30am Eucharist	10.30 am *Liturgy
Hikurangi	8:00am Eucharist	10:00am *Liturgy	10:00am Eucharist	10:00am *Liturgy	10:00am *Liturgy
Whangarei Heads	6pm Sat Vigil	8:30am *Liturgy	///	8:30am *Liturgy	10am. Combined Community Service
Maungata-pere	///	8.30am *Liturgy	///	8.30am Eucharist	///
Maungakaramea	10.30am Eucharist	///	///	///	///
Matapouri, Miha	12 noon 3rd Sunday of Month: - March; May; July; Sept; Nov			* Liturgy means Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion /// means no LOW or Eucharist.	
Poroti, Miha	12 noon 3rd Sunday of Month: - Feb; April; June; Aug; Oct; Dec				
Pipiwai, Miha	12 noon 5th Sunday of the month				
Eucharist Weekdays and Other Ceremonies					
Monday 7am Eucharist	Tuesday 9am Eucharist; 12.10pm LOWHC	Wednesday 7am LOWHC; 12.10pm Eucharist	Thursday 7am Eucharist; 12.10pm LOWHC	Friday 7am LOWHC; 12.10pm Eucharist	Saturday 8am Eucharist
Exposition: Fri 6am; & 11am - Midday. Rosary: Sat 7.30am..				Reconciliation Rite I : 11.30am Fri & Saturday. Rite II: 7.30pm 4th Wednesday	
6pm. Wednesdays of the month. Novena - Filipino Community. 5pm. 5th Sunday of month. Mass - Filipino Community.					

Funerals. Would you like to be included on the email list to be notified of funerals that will be held in our parish? If yes, please provide your email address to the Parish Office. sfx@whangareicatholic.org.nz

Prayers please for these people and their families.... and those who are sick and their caregivers especially: Dora Hampton, Christopher Henare, Ben Hutton, Raymond Moroney, (Invercargill, son of Ida), Tom Pow, Bill van Dijk, Barbara Uffindle, Karen Stanaway, Rudy Taylor, Peter Anderson.

Recently deceased: Henry van den Bogaart (husband of Cecelia), Michael Yakas, Warren Mascarenhas, (Canada, brother of Glynis), Grant Donovan (Christchurch), Dcn Richard Nees (USA, brother of Dcn Jim Nees), Christopher Dunn (Auckland, brother of Bishop Patrick Dunn).

Anniversaries: Myles Cowie, Michael Rule, Lisa Rule.



St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish

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ALL SAINTS
1 November 2020 Year A

Next Week's Readings: (8 November 2020)

Wisdom 6:12-16; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

A Ride in the Hearse

When we were in the Seminary we had a monthly Recollection day. In preparation for this we led in a reflection on the things of Faith and Hope for eternal life. We reflected on our lives. We called the Retreat talk "A ride in the Hearse".

Over the years I have been for lots of Rides. But thus far mine was a return journey.

The Feast of All Saints and All Souls is hopefully a celebration that after our death – our life is changed not ended. That with God's grace we look forward to the gift of eternal life, sharing in God's love, light and peace.

Yet I know I do not love God or others or myself as perfectly as God loves me. To me Purgatory is the transition or purification form the human experience of love to God's Pure love.

We celebrate and honour the Saints of our lives (most are not canonised) but importantly we pray for the Holy souls.

You can add the names of loved ones to be remembered at Masses this month. On Friday we have the Mass for the Bereaved. Next Sunday you are invited to gather at Maunu Cemetery as we visit our Graves to Pray.

But do pray: *Eternal Rest Grant to them o Lord, and let Perpetual light shine upon them. May they Rest in Peace*

Blessings and Peace

Fr Chris M s.m.

The Pope's Monthly Intentions. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention each month. The Intention for November is Artificial Intelligence We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

✠ **All Souls Day Monday 2 November:** Mass times: 7am, 5.30pm. You may wish to bring a small remembrance card with names of your loved ones who have died, which can be placed in a basket on the Remembrance Table in the Sanctuary. The basket will remain in the Church throughout November. Blank cards are available on a table in the foyer..

✠ **Annual Mass for the Bereaved:** Friday 6 November at 7:30pm in our Church. All welcome. There will be a cup of tea following Mass.


✠ **Blessing of Graves:** All are welcome to come on Sunday 8 November at 3pm to Maunu Cemetery for prayers and the blessing of graves. Meet at the entrance.

Anointing Mass. Saturday 7 November 10am here in our Church. This is an opportunity for those seeking healing because of frailty or illness, to receive the Sacrament of Anointing. Morning tea will be served after Mass. We ask the Extraordinary Ministers to the Sick to please bring a plate for morning tea. Please ensure those to whom you minister have the opportunity to attend the Mass. If they are unable to come, let us know at the Parish Office for alternative arrangements.

Parish Pastoral Council Elections. Calling for nominations for three places on the Parish Pastoral Council. Nomination forms are available in the Church foyer or at the Parish Office. Nominations close Sunday 22 November. Voting is from Monday 23 November and closes Monday 7 December.

Golden Jubilee Celebration. Fr Michael Wooller S.M celebrated 50 years of priesthood in June this year. To mark his anniversary, Fr Mike will celebrate Mass on Sunday 15 November at 10am here in our Church. Parishioners are warmly invited to attend this Mass and the luncheon in the Parish Hall following. We ask parishioners to please bring a plate of finger food.


Thanksgiving Mass. Thursday 19 November at 7pm here in our Church and hosted by Joshua. All men and their families, members of service groups, Scripture/Prayer Groups, and parishioners are warmly welcome to this special Thanksgiving Mass for all of God's blessings upon us this year. Prayer and praise before Mass and a shared supper afterwards. A plate would be appreciated. Thank you.


 **We welcome into our parish family those baptised in October:**
Aiden Abraham, Anahera Job, Auraylia Turner, Elijah Wynyard-Palmer, Henry Cunis, Isabella Seaman, Jackson Turner, Jamie-Lee Storey, Jeremy Warren, Kayla Seaman, Leo Wynyard-Palmer, Levi Gillard, Liam Seaman, Mia Warren, Nate Cunis, Summer Wynyard-Palmer, Jharia Fuentes and Faye Fox.

Request for Parish Budgets: The Management and Finance committee is about to commence planning for the next financial year - 1 January to 31 December 2021. Parish groups/areas requiring funding are requested to present a detailed budget by email admin@whangareicatholic.org.nz or to the office before 30 November 2020. Please give a contact name & address for your group or area. Thank you

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK – "it is better to be silent and be considered a fool than to speak and remove all doubt."

Ecclesiastes 10: 3 Even when fools walk on the road, they lack sense, and show to everyone that they are fools.

 **Society of St Vincent de Paul. Parish Food Basket:** Thank you for your generous help to the needy. We are in need of tinned spaghetti, pasta and jelly.
Christmas Gifts: We are looking for unwrapped gifts for our Christmas parcels for teens and younger children. e.g. cars, balls, blocks, books, body wash, playing cards, hair and nail products. Chocolate and tinned biscuits are always welcome. Please bring your donations to the Parish Office by Friday 4 December please. Gifts will then be delivered to families. Thank you.

 **Martha and Mary** meet on Friday 6 November in our Parish Hall commencing with a cup of tea at 10am. All welcome. Our Guest speaker is Dr. Kees Loder and Nurse Walter Nasarek. Enquiries to Joan 435 4012.

Special Gold Card Christmas Lunch in our Parish Hall on Thursday 19 November following the 12.10 LOW. All you need to bring is yourself with a smile. Ph Brigida 437 5131.


FIRST COMMUNION SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2021 Reconciliation, Confirmation & First Communion. For baptised children who will be 8 years of age, or older by Easter 2021 (4 April). Enrolment forms are available from the Parish Office. The programme begins Sunday 21 February 2021 in our Parish Hall. Enquiries to the Parish Office. Thank you.

The Filipino community gathers every Wednesday at 6pm here in our Church to pray a Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help.

Our Parish Playgroup meet every Tuesday during term time, 9am to 11.30am in the Parish Hall Special invite to all Mums, Dads and Caregivers - bring along your preschoolers and join in the fun. Gold coin donation. Enquiries to the Parish Office.

MAORI COMMUNITY - KO NGA PANUI.
Himene practice, (2nd & 4th Thursdays) 7pm in the gathering area of the Church.

ALONE AGAIN? Widowed, Separated or Divorced? The retreat will help you work through your painful loss. Friday 6 to Sunday 8 November. Cost \$350.00 (accommodation and all meals included). Contact Kelly 027 686 4416 or Bev 027 248 1631. www.beginningexperience.org.nz.

 **Newcomers** - please introduce yourself to one of our priests before or after Mass. Please take a *New Parishioner Pack* from the Church foyer, fill out and return to the Parish Office. Thank you.



Maungatapere community extend a warm invitation to their Armistice Day Remembrance and presentation of embroidered cushions. To be held at the Maungatapere Community Church on 15 November at 9am.

Choir practice 9, 13 and 27 November at 5pm in our Church.

Pax Christi invites you to a presentation on "How Black Lives Matter is relevant to us in Aotearoa." Monday 2 November at 7pm at SFX Catholic School Staffroom.

Christian Meditation every Wednesday 7.30pm in Eymard House. All welcome. Queries to Michael 436 5663

Catholic Census! In the month of November the annual head count of all attending Sunday Masses and Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion is taken.

 It costs \$5,270.24 to run the parish each week. This week we received \$5,107.90 from all collections. Thank you. 

Please remember the Parish in your Will