

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	///
Maungakamea	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.					

Available at the Parish Office
2021 Columban Calendar - \$12.00.
NZ Catholic - \$4.00.
Marist Messenger - \$5.00

Are you looking for a Boarder? Young, well behaved active Catholic man is moving to Whangarei in two weeks for work and requires Board either temporary or for six months. Please phone Bernard 021 088 17593.

Prayers please for these people and their families.... and those who are sick and their caregivers especially: Christopher Henare, Ben Hutton, Tom Pow, Bill van Dijk, Evar Davis.

Recently deceased: Christopher Dunn (*Auckland, brother of Bishop Patrick Dunn*).

Anniversaries: Richard Peri, Dora Russo, Raymond van der Veeken.



St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish

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THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 8 November 2020 Year A

Next Week's Readings: (15 November 2020)
Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30

Conflicting values – the real world

This last week has seen the Parish celebrate young people being Confirmed on Thursday and the same youngsters making their First Holy Communion this Sunday. They are now full members of our Catholic Community. We also have the final results of the two referenda that were voted on at election time. It appears that the Bill on End of Life Choice will become law and be put into practice in twelve months time. At the time of writing, the Referendum on the Legalization of Cannabis doesn't appear to have the numbers to pass.

On the one hand we have the Sacraments that are so special to us as Catholics and on the other hand legislation that goes against everything we would hold dear as Catholics. It is into this world that these young people will move and take their place in society. This is the world for which we have been preparing these young people. These are the Sacraments that can support them spiritually as they face the choices and decisions of life.

Let us pray for them as they continue to grow in their belief and love of God and their neighbour, asking God that they have the wisdom spoken of in the Readings for this Sunday and the courage to live out that wisdom in their lives.

Let us pray too for all those involved in palliative research and palliative care, that they will have the skills, knowledge and resources to fully support those who choose a natural end to their lives.

Fr Trevor Tindall S.M.

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.

Remembrance Cards The Basket of Remembrance cards is on display till the end of November for people to enter the names of loved ones who have died. People named, will be remembered at Mass throughout November. Place your remembrance card in the basket in front of the Altar. Blank cards are in the foyer.

Feast of Christ The King Sunday 22 November. World map: We have a World map in the foyer for parishioners to place a pin on their country of origin.

Holy Hour with Exposition of Blessed Sacrament every Friday 11am - 12 noon. Come and spend some time with the Lord.

Bishop Pat invites you to explore the Diocesan Mission Map (Pastoral Plan) that is to be launched on the first Sunday of Advent. 14 November 2020 9.30am to 3.30pm, St Columba Centre 40 Vermont St, Ponsonby. There is no need to bring anything except lunch, we will provide drinks and a welcome space. Please RSVP pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz with numbers and parish/community name.

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 next Sunday 15 November at 10am here in our Church. Parishioners are warmly invited to attend this Mass and the luncheon in the Parish Hall after Mass. We ask parishioners to please bring a plate of finger food. Thank you.

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.

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.

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 to the office or by email admin@whangareicatholic.org.nz before 30 November 2020. Please give a contact name & address for your group or area.



The Filipino community gather every Wednesday at 6pm, to pray a Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help. All welcome.

DATES TO NOTE IN YOUR DIARY

Sunday 15 November: World Day of the Poor.

Sunday 22 November: Feast of Christ The King.

Sunday 29 November: First Sunday of Advent.

Thursday 3 December: Feast Day of St Francis Xavier

Tuesday 8 December: The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary

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.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK – Isaiah 41:10 *Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*



Parish Food Basket: Thank you for your generous help to the needy. We are in need of tinned fruit, baked beans and pasta. Thank you.

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. Donations need to be taken to the Parish Office by Friday 4 December please. Gifts will then be delivered to families. 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. All welcome.

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. Queries to Brigida 437 5131.

Kamo Prayer Group gather on Tuesdays from 10am to 11.45am during term time for prayer, praise & worship. 40 Percy Street. Phone Anne Marie: 021 140 4657

All welcome to join Martha and Mary group on Friday 4 December in our Parish Hall commencing with a cup of tea at 10am. Our Guest speaker is Dr. Kees Loder and Nurse Walter Nasarek. Enquiries to Joan 435 4012.

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 pre-schoolers and join in the fun. Gold coin donation. Enquiries to the Parish Office.

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

Help needed. We are in great need of more helpers on the flower roster. There are only three people at present so that places everyone without sufficient backup for sickness or absence. We will give training and support, and buying flowers is not necessary. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

Society of St Vincent de Paul.

Youth News Blaze Youth Group (secondary age) meet every Friday 7pm-9pm in the Parish Hall during term time. Our Parish Youth Mass is always on the second Sunday of the month at the 6pm Saturday Vigil.

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

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

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



Can you help with the Church Computer? We are needing more people to operate the laptop for our weekend Masses. Would suit adults and secondary school students. If we get enough people, you will be on the roster once a month. Very easy to do. Training given. Please contact Janet at the Parish Office 437 7902. Thank you.

It costs \$5,270.24 to run the parish each week. This week we received \$ 5,269.00 from all collections. Thank you.



Please remember the Parish in your Will