

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 (5pm in June, July, Aug) 8am Sun 10am Sun (Miha)	6pm Sat Vigil (Youth Mass) (5pm in June, July, Aug) 8am & 10am Sun	6pm Sat Vigil (5pm in June, July, Aug) 8am & 10am Sun	6pm Sat Vigil (5pm in June, July, Aug) 8am Sun 10am Sun (Family Mass)	6pm Sat Vigil (5pm in June, July, Aug) 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 (5pm in June, July, Aug, Sept)	8:30am *Liturgy	///	8:30am *Liturgy	10am. Combined Community Service
Maungata-pere	///	11am *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
<b>Exposition:</b> Fri 6.15am; & 11am - Midday. Sat 7.15am - 7.45am.				<b>Reconciliation Rite I :</b> 11.30am Fri & Saturday. <b>Rite II:</b> 7.30pm 4th Thursday	
6pm. Wednesdays of the month. Novena - Filipino Community. 5pm. 5th Sunday of month. Mass - Filipino Community.					

**Whangarei Care Centre.** Senior Chef - Cooking and nutrition classes for the over 60's. Senior Chef is a 9 week cooking class where you can learn, or improve on, your practical food and nutrition skills. It's a social, informative and hands-on class - all focused on cooking for one or two people. And it's FREE!! Thursdays 27th May - 22nd July 2021. 9.30am —12.30pm. Ph 437 6397 to register.

*Prayers please for these people and their families.... and those who are sick and their caregivers especially:* Mary Burgess, Aileen Preece, (Orewa, sister of Bernice Bormans), Anne Jennings, (sister of Bill Gibson).

**Recently Deceased:** Luningning Davison, Dean Muir (France), Michael Redfern.

**Anniversaries:** Trevor Russek, Walter Steiner.



# St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish

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**PENTECOST SUNDAY**  
**23 May 2021 Year B**

**Next Week's Readings: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**  
**Deuteronomy 4: 32-34, 39-40; Romans 8:14-17; Matthew 28:16-20.**



## Pentecost Sunday

The week of prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated in the Southern Hemisphere between Ascension Sunday and Pentecost Sunday. So this week gone we have been praying for Christian unity and it flows beautifully into today's feast of Pentecost Sunday.

We celebrate this day that the first disciples were transformed from frightened and timid believers into courageous preachers of the wonders of God. The story in the Acts of the Apostles describes the wind and the fire but even more importantly it tells how the disciples were able to speak in different languages so that the people who heard them from many different places in the known world were able to understand the same message. Its a wonderful symbol...different people with different languages all united in a common belief. There was unity without uniformity.

That is the gift of the Holy Spirit. To unite people of many ethnicities and cultures and backgrounds in a common mission all the while accepting the diversity and giftedness of each other. Being united does not mean we all have to be the same. We can accommodate each other in a wide and broad Church...that is the celebration of Pentecost.

Fr Peter McDermott s.m.

### Ministry in our Parish.

The life our parish faith community is dependent on your service. The more people involved share the load. There are various ministries to suit your different gifts and abilities. Some are liturgical ministries: Readers, Extraordinary Ministers. We also need Greeters, computer operators, musicians and floral arranging. I invite you to consider what is your gift or talent you could contribute to the parish.

#### Please note:

- Someone needs to nominate a new Extraordinary Minister of Communion, but you may offer yourself for the other ministries.
- Our normal practice, a person has one liturgical ministry. Return the form in the Box in the foyer, in the Collection basket, or take it to the Parish Office before 27 June. Enquiries to the Parish Office  
*Fr Chris Martin s.m.*

**Filipino Mass will be celebrated** next Sunday 30 May (5th Sunday of the month) at 5pm here in our Church. All welcome.



#### Rite II Reconciliation.

Thursday 27 May at 7.30pm here in our Church. All welcome.

#### New Mass Times for Winter.

- ◆ St Francis Xavier Church usual Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass will move to the earlier time of 5pm in June, July, August.
- ◆ Whangarei Heads usual Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass on the First Saturday of the month, will move to the earlier time of 5pm in June, July, August, and
- ◆ September.

**St Francis Xavier Parish Annual General Meeting is on Sunday 18 July at 11.30am** We ask parishioners to put this date in their diary. A reminder to those submitting reports — they need to be at the Parish Office no later than Sunday 27 June. Thank you.



**Pompallier Catholic College is going to run a Sacramental Programme** (for students Years 7 - 13, Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Eucharist) If you wish your child to receive any or all of the sacraments please contact [anna.williams@pompallier.school.nz](mailto:anna.williams@pompallier.school.nz) asap. Thank you.



**Pompallier Catholic College 50th Jubilee.** Have you registered for the College's Jubilee celebrations? The College will be celebrating during Queen's birthday weekend 4-6th June. Friday night will be a meet and greet with drinks and snacks at the Marist Clubrooms, Park Ave from 6:30pm onwards. On Saturday morning, at 10am there will be a mihi whakatau (welcome) at the College followed by a morning tea, tours of the school to see how it has changed over the years, and an opportunity for year group photos and to catch up with old friends. On Saturday evening at 7pm a Jubilee dinner is planned at Forum North. The dinner will also feature entertainment and an auction to help raise funds for an all-weather turf at the College. Mass will be celebrated by Arch Bishop Paul Martin sm on Sunday at 11:30 in the gym. This will be followed by tea and coffee in the staffroom. Go to the website <https://www.pompalliercollege.school.nz> and click "Jubilee" to register for all or some of these events.  
**Registrations close on 24 May.** We hope to see you there!

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: " You can win more friends with your ears than with your mouth". James 1:19b Let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger...



**Every Wednesday at 6pm**, the Filipino community pray a Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help in the side Chapel of our Church. All welcome to join them.

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



**Society of St Vincent de Paul Parish Food Basket:** Thank you for your generous help for those less fortunate. We are in need of tinned spaghetti, pasta, tinned sweet corn and toilet paper.

**Meeting:** First and third Thursday at 5 pm in Eymard House. All are very welcome to join us.

**Christian Meditation** meet every Wednesday in Eymard House 7.30pm-8.30pm. All welcome.



**Martha and Mary Group next meet on Friday 4 June** at 10am in the Parish Hall for companionship, listening and learning. All welcome. Enquiries to Joan 435 4012.

**55+ Group** In winter time we will meet in the Parish Hall following 12.10pm Mass. Soup will be provided for lunch on Wednesday 9 June.

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

**Parish Playgroup** meet every Tuesday during term time, 9am to 11.30am in the Parish Hall and each Tuesday during the School Term. 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.



#### CELTICA.



A fun night of Celtic music and dance for all ages. To be held in our Parish Hall on Saturday 19 June 7.15pm here in our Parish Hall. Adults \$10; Children \$2; Family Pass \$22. Please bring a plate of finger food for supper. BYO drinks. Water, tea and coffee supplied.

**Kamo Prayer Group** meet every Tuesday during term time at 40 Percy Street. 10am to 11.45am. All are most welcome to join us. Queries to Anne Marie 021 140 4657



#### Auckland Diocese Special Collections

**Peter's Pence Collection** (Sunday 27 June) This money goes direct to the Pope via the nunciature in Wellington to use in whatever projects he thinks necessary.



**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.



It costs \$5,270.24 to run the parish each week. This week we received \$6,335.00.



Thank you.

Please remember the Parish in your Will