

St Francis Xavier Parish Usual Timetable

Pass Masses – Vaccine Pass required (Limit 100 - Red) Unlimited - Orange

Open Masses – Vaccine Pass not required (Limit 25 - Red) 50 – Orange

(Liturgy of The Word with Holy Communion will be offered in the Parish Hall for overflow at 6pm Vigil, 8am, 10am and 12 noon Masses)

	1st Sun of Month	2nd Sun of Month	3rd Sun of Month	4th Sun of Month	5th Sun of Month
St Francis Xavier	Pass Masses: 6pm Sat Vigil 8am Sun 10am Sun (Miha) Open Mass: 12 noon	Pass Masses: 6pm Sat Vigil (Youth Mass) 8am & 10am Sun Open Mass: 12 noon	Pass Masses: 6pm Sat Vigil 8am & 10am Sun Open Mass: 12 noon	Pass Masses: 6pm Sat Vigil; 8am Sun 10am Sun (Family Mass) Open Mass: 12 noon	Pass Masses: 6pm Sat Vigil 8am & 10am Sun Open Mass: 12 noon
Ruakaka (Pass Masses & Pass LOW)	10.30 am *Liturgy	10.30am Eucharist	10.30 am *Liturgy	10.30am Eucharist	10.30 am *Liturgy
Hikurangi (Open Masses & Pass LOW)	8:00am Eucharist	10:00am *Liturgy	10:00am Eucharist	10:00am *Liturgy	10:00am *Liturgy
Whangarei. Heads (Pass Masses & Pass LOW)	6pm Sat Vigil	8:30am *Liturgy	///	8:30am *Liturgy	10am. Combined Community Service
Maungakarama (Open Mass)	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 (Open Mass)	Tuesday 9am Eucharist; (Pass Mass)	Wednesday 12.10pm Eucharist (Open Mass)	Thursday 7am Eu- charist; (Pass Mass)	Friday 12.10pm Eucharist (Pass Mass)	Saturday 8am Eucharist (Pass Mass)
Reconciliation Rite I : 11.30am Fri & Saturday.				Exposition: Fri 6am; & 11am - Midday. Rosary: Saturday after 8am Mass	
6pm. Wednesdays of the month. Novena - Filipino Community.					
5pm. 5th Sunday of month. Mass - Filipino Community. (Pass Mass)					

Prayers please for these people and their families.... and those who are sick and their caregivers especially: Anne Jennings, Evar Davis, Nicolette Buisman, Margaret Pool.

Recently deceased: , Marie Holmes, (Nelson, sister of Peter Monahan), Alan Churchouse, (brother of Janet Ponifasio).

Anniversaries: Ken Holmes.



St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

10 April 2022 Year C

Next Week's Readings: (Sunday of the Resurrection)

Acts 10: 34,37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

"Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest"

This is the acclamation that we associate with Palm Sunday. It is often sung and it remembers the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. But what does Hosanna mean? It seems to have come from two Hebrew words "yasha" which means "to save or deliver" and "anna" which means "please, I beseech." It is a cry for Salvation...please save us. But it can also be an acclamation of praise and thanks...Let us rejoice that salvation has arrived. The palm branch in the ancient world was a symbol of victory, triumph and peace and returning conquerors from battle or victorious athletes would have palms laid down in front of them or presented to them.

So today as we hold our palms and have them blessed, it is for us a symbol of Christ's victory over death and enduring peace. While we celebrate the death and resurrection of Christ in the coming week and enter into this most holy time in the Church's year we are also mindful of how much our world still needs peace. We cannot celebrate well when others in the world are suffering ongoing violence and war. As we cry Hosanna to the King...we are also beseeching God to send salvation and peace to our world. May Peace come soon.

Fr. Peter McDermott

Please note: As Easter Monday 18 April is a Public Holiday, Mass will be celebrated at 8am. The Parish Office is closed Tuesday 19 April.

Holy Week and Easter Timetable Face masks are required.

Monday 11 April : 7am Mass

Tuesday 12 April: (One Mass only)

Chrism Mass is the only Mass today 12 noon. You are welcome to bring a plate for the shared lunch. Please leave at the hall kitchen before Mass.

Wednesday 13 April: 12.10pm:Mass

Thursday 14 April: Holy Thursday. (One Mass only)

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.30pm. Bring food for the needy - Society of St Vincent de Paul Food baskets will be brought up at Offertory time. (Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass till 10pm)

Good Friday 15 April:

• Solemn Liturgy 3pm at St Francis Xavier Church. Retiring Collection for the Holy Places.

Other Services at other Places on Good Friday:

† Stations of the Cross: 10am at St Francis Xavier Catholic School grounds on the school courts. Parishioners are all invited to attend.

† Ecumenical Service, 9.30am at Waipu Presbyterian Church (50 The Centre, Waipu).

† Stations of the Cross: Maungakaramea 11am.

Holy Saturday 16 April: Easter Vigil 7.30pm.

Easter Sunday 17 April: St Francis Xavier: 8am, 10am Masses.

Whangarei Heads: 7.30am. **Hikurangi** 10.30 am.

Maungakaramea: 9.00am. **Ruakaka** 10.30am.

Easter Monday 18 April: 8am Mass.

Tax receipts and Planned Giving envelopes.

Envelopes and Automatic Payment Receipts are now available in the Church foyer. Thank you for your generosity.

Vocations. The Society of Mary is running a 'Come and See' weekend in April at the Marist Seminary, Auckland. The purpose of the weekend is to help young men discerning a vocation to the priesthood and/or religious life. Please contact Fr Pat. Society of Mary NZ, Vocations Director. vocations@smnz.org.nz Text: 021 025 78466

DATES TO NOTE IN YOUR DIARY

- ◆ **Monday 18 April:** Easter Monday. 8am Mass. See notice.
- ◆ **Tuesday 19 April:** Easter Tuesday. Parish Office closed. See notice.
- ◆ **Sunday 24 April:** Sunday of Divine Mercy.
- ◆ **Monday 25 April: Anzac Day** (National Holiday) 8am Mass.
- ◆ **28 April:** St Peter Chanel: Patron Saint of Oceania

PALM SUNDAY REFLECTION: ... See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on, a donkey. Zechariah 9.9



Anzac Day Monday 25 April is a Public Holiday. Mass will be celebrated at 8am.



Baptism Course. The next Baptism Course is on 1 and 8 May. If you are expecting your first child, now is a good time to do the Course. For further information and to register please phone the Parish Office 437 7902. Thank

Synod Meeting: PPC invites you to join the group developing our synod submission. Register your interest now by emailing Graham Franks gj.am@xtra.co.nz (0210 390 080) or Madeleine Armstrong 71arms@gmail.com (027 757 1575) A maximum of 3 one hour meetings are planned for consecutive Sundays. First meeting to be 24th April.



Every Wednesday at 6pm, the Filipino community pray a Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help in the side Chapel of our Church. Please bring your "My Vaccine Pass". Thank you.

Society of St Vincent de Paul

Parish Food Basket. Thank you for your continued support. Donations of cereal, tinned and dried food, spreads are our greatest need at present. Thank you.

Meeting. First and third Thursday at 5 pm in Eymard House.

Special Collections in Auckland Diocese. Sunday 28 May
Vocations Sunday - Seminary Collection. The monies collected help towards the fees for the Auckland students for the priesthood.



Newcomers - please make yourself known to a greeter before Mass. Please take a *New Parishioner Pack* from the Church foyer, fill out and return to the Parish Office. Thank you.

Youth News- Blaze Youth Group (secondary age) are not able to meet during this time. Further details to come.

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.

Pax Christi.

Their next meeting will be Tuesday 12 April at 7pm in Eymard House. Please note change of day and date.

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

Lost. An electronic car fob, with a red pocket-knife attached was lost at the 6pm Vigil Mass on Saturday 26 March. It was left on the shelf where the statue of Our Lady is. Please contact the Parish Office if you have found it. Thank you.



It costs \$5,270.24 per week to meet running costs of our Parish including our Outlying Areas. This week we received \$4,210.90 from all collections. Lenten Appeal: \$905.00. Thank you.



Please remember the Parish in your Will