

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	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
Maungatapere	///	///	///	11am *Liturgy (Starts 22 May 2022)	///
Maungakara- mea (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, Tim Howard

Recently Deceased: Denis Vuylketch(Auckland, brother of Mario), Theresa Topia,(sister of Patrick Butler, Rommel Otaday, Mary Edmonds, Mary Edwards, Simon Holden.

Anniversaries: Erys Gavin, Anne Roughan, (mother to David Roughan) Mick Cuzack (Uncle killed WWII).



St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish



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Ruakaka; Hikurangi; Whangarei Heads; Maungatapere; Maungakaramea; Matapouri; Poroti; Pipiwai.

Priests Fr Brian Prendeville sm (pp), Fr Peter McDermott sm, Fr Trevor Tindall sm, Deacons Jim Nees, Nimo Ponifasio.

Parish Secretary Janet Ponifasio, Administration Manager Glennis McSherry-Heape

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SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

24 April 2016 Year C

Next Week's Readings: Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41; Apocalypse 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

Actions speak louder than Words

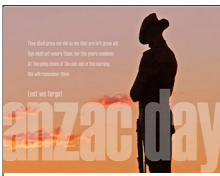
As we reflect on the Mercy of God today, we are encouraged to trust in the abundant mercy that God shows to us especially through the actions of Jesus. He summed up His whole message of mercy and forgiveness through His death and Resurrection. His very appearance to the disciples and especially to Thomas speaks of the mercy and forgiveness He shows to them after they had deserted Him.

We are not simply called to ask for God's mercy with trust. We are also called to be merciful: "Without deeds of mercy, our devotion would not be real. For Christ does not only reveal the mercy of God, but at the same time He places before people the demand that they conduct themselves in life with love and mercy".

Our Lord's words to St. Faustina about this requirement to be merciful are very strong and leave no room for misinterpretation: "Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be acts of mercy. ... I demand from you deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me. You are to show mercy to your neighbours always and everywhere. You must not shrink from this or try to excuse or absolve yourself from it" (742).

Happy the merciful, they shall have mercy shown them.

Father Trevor Tindall sm.



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 you.

Once Again Gratitude and thanks for all the people who served the community for Easter. Thank you.

In orange we can put the collection baskets back into operation, We had a Holiday for Easter. The Finance people smiled weakly, God will provide.

Mcleods Bay have requested that their Monthly Mass begin at the earlier time of 5.00 pm.

Reminder to people, and to our welcomers to ask people to wait till the Readings are proclaimed before entering into the body of the Church. Listening and Hearing God's Word is so easily fragmented and our concentration is lost by people coming into the Body of the Church seeking their seats while the readings are proclaimed.

The need to keep the asiles clear behind the rear seats in the church.

I watched the 3pm Good Friday service on Facebook, it was great to see some familiar faces. Please pass on my love and well wishes to the parishioners, and community at Pompallier Catholic College and let them know that I am praying for them and our parish. Please ask them to pray for our Society, and her mission, and for myself at this time of my formation, such an important part of life in order to become a Marist. Tom Manihera, (Novice, preparing to be a priest. Italy.)

The Sisters of Compassion advise the Congregation for the Causes of Saints has declined our petition for the recognition of a miracle attributed to Suzanne Aubert. The Vatican medical council has decided a potential miracle attributed to her can be explained by medical science. Further consideration will be needed for the future path towards her beatification and canonisation.

DATES TO NOTE IN YOUR DIARY

- ◆ **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
- ◆ **Sunday 8 May:** **Mothers Day;** Day of Prayer for Vocations Seminary Collection.

Every Wednesday at 6pm, the Filipino community pray a Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help in the side Chapel of our Church. Masks required Thank you.

Kia ora friends
Pax Christi is offering a free Zoom study on Pope Francis's Laudato Si encyclical on Care for the Earth. It will be led by Dr Mary Betz and Liz Beazley. The study involves 2 sessions on Tuesday evenings, 3 and 10 May. Details about the sessions and enrolment are on the attached poster. You can simply enrol by replying to this email.
 Please do pass this invitation on to others in our faith communities and schools. It is a wonderful opportunity to make connections between our faith and the vital need for all to care about what is happening to "our common home".
 In peace, Paul Robertson, Pax Christi Aotearoa New Zealand

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 4 May at 7pm in Eymard House.

Tax receipts and Planned Giving envelopes.
 Envelopes and Automatic Payment Receipts are now available in the Church foyer. Thank you for your generosity.

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) Madeline Armstrong 71arms@gmail.com (027 757 1575) A maximum of 3 one hour meetings are planned for consecutive Sundays. First meeting is the 24th April.

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.

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

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



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.



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