

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 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	5pm Sat Vigil May –October 6pm Sat Vigil Nov - April	8:30am *Liturgy	///	8:30am *Liturgy	///
Maungatapere	///	///	8.30am *Liturgy (starts June 2022)	8.30am Eucharist	///
Maungakaremea	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	Wednesday 12.10pm Eucharist	Thursday 7am Eucharist	Friday 12.10pm Eucharist	Saturday 8am Eucharist
Exposition: Fri 6am; & 11am - Midday. Rosary: Sat 7.30am..				Reconciliation Rite I : 11.30am Fri & Saturday.	
6pm. Wednesdays of the month. Novena - Filipino Community. 5pm. 5th Sunday of month. Mass - Filipino Community.					

Maria Assumpta Parish in Beach Haven, Auckland is celebrating its Golden Jubilee over Labour Weekend. 22-24 October, 2022. Register your interest and get updated details from patlythe@gmail.com Ph 09 4839 903 or text 0273441663. We'd love to hear from you.

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, Dora Hampton, Annette Carson, (sister of Margaret Crawford).

Recently deceased: . Sister Gaynor Laverty SMSM, Harold Harris, Monica Tehira,

Anniversaries: Sister Kenny Meredith SMSM, Delia Ruane, Elizabeth Young, George Holmes-Kinsella, Anne Whetton.



St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish



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

Priests: Fr Brian Prendeville sm (pp), Fr Peter McDermott sm, Fr Trevor Tindall sm.

Deacons: Jim Nees, Nimo Ponifasio.

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8 May 2022 Year C

Next Week's Readings: (Fifth Sunday of Easter)

Acts 14: 21-27; Apocalypse 21: 1-5; John 13: 31-35

There is always an adjective when Describing Mothers.

Single Mum, Solo Mum, Poor Mum, Working Mum, Busy Mum, Home Mum.

These titles are often given to Mothers who are not Mothers.

Here are some other adjectives, describing words for Mothers. You could pick your own word...to describe your mother.

Often in Baptism preparation I ask Mums and Dads to put their finger on the word that they seek most...

Try it yourself.

...(I)...urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. (St Paul to the Ephesian 4.)

Answer:

Mothers wanted patience,

Father, required worthy of what they have been called....

And when they told their reasons why,

Mothers are always the Labour force of the family, Patience, silence, long enduring Love

The men learn from their spouses how to live a life worthy of their calling. Noble fathers who have the ability to lead and guide their children.

Unafraid

Understanding

Unique

Unwavering

Unyielding

Vigorous

Warm

Warmth

Watchful

Wise

Witty

Wonderful

Zesty

Vocations Sunday:

The Reading of the Good Shepherd, is always today on this Sunday. Along with this is the call to Vocations. Vocation is a strange word. It comes from being called.

Vox is the word for voice. The voice of God calling us.

Each one of us is called by God.

Called by God to reach the potential and the gifts that we are given.

Some of us are called to be leaders and to lead as Christ leads. The Shepherd that is a good leader.

Some of us are called to be administration and to care for the needs of the community. The Shepherd who watches over the people in our needs.

Some of us are called to Marriage, to show the Image of God in Married love.

Single Life, some of us are called to be of assistance and help to those who need us most especially the isolated and the lonely.

And a little number of us are called to be to reflect the Shepherd who dies for his people and offers their own lives for the people of God.

There is a touch of the Shepherd in all of us. May it all turn to Good with the gift of the Risen Power of Christ.

Meeting for Musicians and Music Coordinators.. and all interested in Music will be on 19 of May at 7.30 pm here in our Church. As stated before we have a need to gather, to reorganize and regroup ourselves after Covid, to update our readiness and willingness to schedule musicians. Preparation and planning of Music and a general overview of Sacred Music for all.

We can announce the beginning of the Sacramental Programme for those who have not received Confirmation and Holy communion. On Friday the 27th May all enrolments must be in.

On Sunday 29th of May at 4pm there will be the first combined meeting of the Leaders and all participants parents and guardians.

The expectation is that all parents and children will attend. Here we outline the process of preparation for Reconciliation, confirmation, and Eucharist. (Holy communion). No meeting will be over an hour.

Are you thinking of enrolling your child in Pompallier Catholic College for 2023? Here is some important information to know in advance. Enrolments for the College will open in the coming months. The closing date for all enrolments is likely to be late August or early September. The school is very close to its maximum roll. **Therefore, no applications will be considered after the closing date.** The College roll has grown rapidly recently. Consequently, we will be unable to offer places to non-preferential students for 2023. The Board of Trustees has developed an enrolment policy which will help parents discern if their child is eligible to attend the College. This will be published on the College website in the near future. Please keep up to date with further information regarding enrolments at Pompallier in the College newsletters, the College website, St Francis Xavier Catholic School newsletters and the Parish Bulletin. If you have any queries regarding 2023 enrolments, please contact Kelli Adams at Pompallier Catholic College admin@pompallier.school.nz

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: it takes some of us a lifetime to learn that Christ, our Good Shepherd, knows exactly what He is doing with us. He understands us perfectly.

Pax Christi Aotearoa NZ: Today Sunday, 8 May you are invited to an online global prayer service at 7:30pm for the people of Myanmar who are living under military dictatorship. To register phone Liz Beazley 027 471 4120 and you will be sent a link via email.

Next Sunday, 15 May is the anniversary of the Nakba (catastrophe in Arabic) when up to a million Palestinian people were driven off their land by the Israeli militias in 1948. Let us stand in solidarity with the people of Palestine and pray for them this day.



Whangarei Heads Community Please note: Our Saturday evening Vigil Mass has a new time of 5pm May – October. 6pm Nov - April. Our 10am Combined Service on the 5th Sunday of the month is cancelled till further notice.



Maungatapere Interdenominational Memorial Church. Our usual schedule resumes this month with Mass at 8.30am on Sunday 22 May. LOWHC has moved to the third Sunday of the month at 8.30am and resumes in June. All very welcome. to join us.

Tax receipts and Planned Giving envelopes. Please collect your Envelopes and Automatic Payment Receipts from the Church foyer.. Thank you for your generosity.



Society of St Vincent de Paul. Parish Food Basket. Thank you for your continued support. Donations of sweetcorn, tinned vegetables /dried or canned soup are very welcome.

Meetings: We gather in Eymard House at 5pm on the first and third Thursday of the month.

- ◆ First Thursday we pray the Rosary, parishioners are very welcome to join us.
- ◆ 3rd Thursday is a meeting. We are always looking for more helpers especially people to help with making meals for the elderly or visiting.



Joshua Men's Fellowship meet on Wednesday 18 May here in the Church at 7pm. All men welcome.



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.

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.

Auckland Catholic Charismatic Renewal. Zoom Session - Connected relationship with Jesus. Saturday 14 May at 9.30am and open to all, with praise and worship and a teaching on 'Relationship with Jesus' by Engelbert Dsouza. Zoom opens 9.15am. See flyer on notice board. Prayer ministry available afterwards.



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.

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



It costs \$5,270.24 to run the parish each week. This week we received \$3,626.20 from all collections. This includes an annual donation. Thank you.

Please remember the Parish in your Will

Youth News

Time to begin again the formation and care of our young people.