

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 Masses	5pm Sat Vigil (Standard Time) 6pm Sat Vigil (Daylight Saving) 8am Sun 10am Sun (Miha) (live-streamed)	5pm Sat Vigil (Standard Time) 6pm Sat Vigil (Daylight Saving) 8am Sun 10am Sun (live-streamed)	5pm Sat Vigil (Standard Time) 6pm Sat Vigil (Daylight Saving) 8am Sun 10am Sun (live-streamed)	5pm Sat Vigil (Standard Time) 6pm Sat Vigil (Daylight Saving) 8am Sun 10am Sun (live-streamed)	5pm Sat Vigil (Standard Time) 6pm Sat Vigil (Daylight Saving) 8am Sun 10am Sun (live-streamed)
Ruakaka	10.30 am *Liturgy	10.30am Mass	10.30 am *Liturgy	10.30am Mass	10.30 am *Liturgy
Hikurangi	8:00am Mass	10:00am *Liturgy	10:00am Mass	10:00am *Liturgy	10:00am *Liturgy
Whangarei Heads	5pm Sat Vigil Mass May –October 6pm Nov - April	8:30am *Liturgy	///	8:30am *Liturgy	10am. Combined Community Service
Maungatapere	///	///	8.30am *Liturgy	8.30am Mass	///
Maungakaramea	10.30am Mass	///	///	///	///
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 Mass	
Poroti, Miha	12 noon 3rd Sunday of Month: - Feb; April; June; Aug; Oct; Dec				
Pipiwai, Miha	12 noon 5th Sunday of the month				
Weekday Masses and Other Ceremonies					
Monday 7am Mass	Tuesday 9am Mass	Wednesday 12.10pm Mass	Thursday 7am Mass	Friday 12.10pm Mass	Saturday 8am Mass
Exposition: Fri 6am; & 11am - Midday. Rosary: Sat following 8am Mass				Reconciliation Rite I: 11.30am Fri & Saturday.	
5.30pm. 2nd Tuesday of the month. Mass - Syro Malabar 5pm. 5th Sunday of month. Mass - Filipino Community. 6pm. Every Wednesday of the month. Novena - Filipino Community.					



Life Teen Summer Camp Aotearoa. 18th - 22nd January at Saint Peters College, Cambridge. A camp run by the Auckland Diocese for youth aged **13-17**, with fun outdoor activities and an opportunity to make new friends and grow in faith.
Register at www.lifeteen.nz See noticeboard.

Ride to Mass needed. Two parishioners living in Kamo need a ride to 6pm or 8am Mass. Please phone Janet at the Parish Office if you can help.

Prayers please for these people and their families.... and those who are sick and their caregivers especially: Evar Davis, Hannah Gibson (granddaughter of Bill and Mary), Gerry Nyssen (Auckland).

Recently deceased: Delfina Magpantay (Auckland, mother of Aniceta), Mary Hape, Nancye Milroy.

Anniversaries: Corry Beentjes, Gafaomalietoa (Gafa) Ponifasio, Margaret Rabone, Urbain Seux, Jill Fraser, Agnes Steiner, Bernie Hill, Brett Frische.



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.

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TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
2 October 2022 Year C

Next Week's Readings: (Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time)
2 Kings 5:14-17; 2 Timothy 2:8-13; Luke 17: 11-19

Over the last few Sundays, a general theme that's been running through our Gospel readings, has been about how we are to live as disciples of Christ. This Sunday we continue with that same theme.

This Sunday is also the National Day of Celebration for Venerable Suzanne Aubert, a great model of Christian living.

In 1860, as a 25-year-old French woman, Suzanne Aubert sailed to New Zealand to work as a missionary. She taught herself Te Reo Māori on the ship and on arrival in Auckland started working with young Maori women. She then joined the Marist Mission in Hawkes Bay, worked in other parts of New Zealand and 'settled' in Wellington. She founded the Daughters of Our Lady of Compassion. She was a friend of the Māori, a scholar, health innovator, social welfare pioneer and an advocate for children, the poor and sick. By the time she died at age 91 she was already regarded as a saint by many who knew her.

A woman of great faith and of extraordinary drive, she devoted her life to the service of God and her neighbour. What a great example of how we should live as followers of Christ.

The New Zealand bishops approved the start of her sainthood process in 1997 and in 2016 Pope Francis declared her 'Venerable.' According to the church, people may seek her intercessions in prayer at this point. This is an important detail in the sainthood process. To become 'Blessed' and then canonized as a Saint, at least 2 miracles are required. These need to be attributed to Venerable Suzanne Aubert by petitioners praying to her for divine intervention. The miracles must be documented and investigated.

Please pray for her advancement to sainthood. May Venerable Suzanne Aubert intercede for us in our daily struggle to live our lives as faithful disciples of Christ.

Dcn Nimo Ponifasio



Civic Memorial Service for Queen Elizabeth II.

To be held at Whangarei Anglican Church, today Sunday October 2 at 5pm. 2B Kamo Road, Regent. Parishioners are warmly invited to attend, as we gather with all the community of the North, to remember and celebrate the life of Queen Elizabeth II. Space is limited so if you wish to attend, please RSVP to www.whangareianglican.org.nz. For inquiries, please phone 09 437 6087.



Farewell: Marion Cooper retired on Wednesday after working with Glennis McSherry-Heape in the Parish Office for the past nine years. We offer our heartfelt thanks for her dedicated service to the priests and parishioners during this time. We wish her all the best in her retirement.

Welcome: We warmly welcome Lalyn Luna as our new Parish Administrator.



We welcome into our parish family those baptised in September: Shelby Majoni, Jayden Laurico, Jeremiah Tapungot.

SAFEGUARDING FORMATION AND TRAINING WORKSHOP Saturday 15 October in our Parish Hall.

Come to either **Session 1:10.30 - 12 noon** or **Session 2: 1.30pm - 3pm**. Lunch at 12.30pm will be provided for both session attendees. Mark your calendar for this event if your ministry within the parish brings you in contact with children, youth or vulnerable adults. This workshop is mandatory for you if you wish to continue with your ministry. For more information, see the noticeboard or visit our website: www.whangareicatholic.org.nz Queries to the Parish Office.

Support Life Sunday 9 October 2022 - Tautokona te Rātapu Whakaora 2022

This year theme chosen by the New Zealand Catholic Bishops' for Support Life Sunday is - **Mental Illness**. The focus is on accompanying and caring for people living with mental illness.

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion. We may soon return to receiving communion under both kinds. This will require the return of many more Extraordinary Ministers at Mass. We invite all who have previously been commissioned and wish to recommit to the ministry to indicate that desire. There is a clipboard in the foyer where you can register that commitment. by supplying your name and contact details, or alternatively, email contact details to sfx@whangareicatholic.org.nz If you have chosen not to recommit to this Ministry, we sincerely thank you for your past involvement. The opportunity for nomination and training of new/additional Extraordinary Ministers will soon be made available.
The Liturgy Committee



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



RCIA (The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults). If you missed our information evening last Tuesday, come along on **Tuesday 11 October** at 7pm in Eymard House. (Brick House). A warm welcome is assured. Queries to Janet at the Parish Office.



Season of Creation

The "Season of Creation" ends on October 4th with the feast of St Francis of Assisi. However we are called to care for all of creation throughout the whole year. What changes have you made in the way you live, that reflects care for the poor and care of the environment in which we live? *Pax Christi*



Martha and Mary Group next meet on Friday 7 October at 10am in the Parish Hall for companionship, listening and learning. All welcome. Enquiries to Joan 435 4012



Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship meet for prayers, praise and worship on the 3rd Wednesday every month here in the Church at 7pm. Our next gathering is Wednesday 19 October. All men welcome.



55+ Christmas Luncheon. Thursday 10 November in the Parish Hall. Luncheon at 12 noon onwards. Assorted menu of finger food and Christmas delights will be provided. Raffles, lucky number, spot prizes. Christmas Carols. All welcome and bring a friend. See poster on noticeboard.



Society of St Vincent de Paul. Parish Food Basket. Thank you for your continued support. Donations of tinned sweetcorn baked beans and weetbix are welcome.
We gather at 5pm on the First and third Thursday of the month. First Thursday we pray the Rosary and 3rd Thursday we have a meeting. All welcome.

URGENTLY NEEDED. Our Parish requires new people on the church flower roster. We presently only have four doing this ministry and two of those wish to retire at the end of this year. CAN YOU HELP? The flowers are provided and training will be given, so no special skill is required, just a wish to see our church look a welcoming space to be in. If you are able to help please contact the Parish Office or Kay 027 5975420. Thank you.



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.



Blaze Youth Group (secondary age will not meet during the school holidays)

Pax Christi meeting scheduled for 7pm Tuesday 4 October will be a Zoom meeting. Please email mikebeazley@xtra.co.nz



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.



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

Kamo Prayer Group will not meet during school holidays.

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 \$4,462.30 from all collections. Thank you.



Please remember the Parish in your Will

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away"