

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 Family Mass (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 (Standard Time) 6pm Sat Vigil (Daylight Saving)	8:30am *Liturgy	///	8:30am *Liturgy	10am. Combined Community Service
Maungatapere	///	///	///	8.30am Mass	///
Maungakaramea	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 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.					

Titipounamu Study & Joy Mary in the Scriptures with Kieran Fenn fms. Mondays, 19/26 June & 03/10 July, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Free. Donation/Koha welcome.

Muffin Talk radio programmes are available online at: <https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/> For more information: www.studyjoy.nz <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/01/11/focus-on-target-draw-fresh-momentum/> For more information: www.studyjoy.nz

Prayers please for these people and their families.... and those who are sick and their caregivers especially: Brian Reed, Ros Macken, Margaret Hibbert, Liam Whitehouse, Dora Hampton.

Recently deceased: Jacqui McDiarmid, Karena Carey, Frances Nicholls, (Auckland, sister-in-law of Brian and Mary Anne Reed).

Anniversaries: Frank Ngaropo, Doreen Pepe, Pat Gavin.



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ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

18 June 2023 Year A

Next Week's Readings: (Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Jeremiah 20: 10-13; Romans 5: 12-15; Matthew 10: 26-33

Living with a Purpose in Life

The main theme of today's readings is that we are commissioned or sent, to spread to others the "Good News" of God's love, mercy, forgiveness and salvation through Jesus His Son. Ancient religions assumed that the gods were distant from and indifferent to humans. The best people could hope for was that a few members, their priestly class, could deal with the gods on their behalf. In today's first reading God overturns that class distinction. God wants all the members of His people to be a kingdom of holy people. God says that all his people are special, set apart and holy. A religion in which all the members are to be holy was a stunning innovation at the time.

Today's gospel marks a turning point in implementing this innovation. Up to this point in Matthew's gospel, Jesus himself was the focus of the healing, teaching and controversy. With the commissioning of his disciples, others began to assume some of the responsibility for the new movement that heralded the kingdom of God. While God can (and does) use very talented people to help spread his Word, most of the 'kingdom-work' is done by ordinary, nearly anonymous, behind-the-scenes people. Just like us!

The reading is also a reminder from God, to each one of us, that we have received grace and talents without charge and so we should give without charge **through our simple, responsible and sharing lives.** This is indeed the core of the vocation of every Christian through their baptism. By virtue of our free will, how we respond to this invitation is up to us!

Dcn. Jim Nees



Today Sunday 18 June is the World Day of Prayer for Refugees & Migrants.

"Let us embrace all those fleeing from war and hunger, or forced by discrimination, persecution, poverty and environmental degradation to leave their homelands." - Pope Francis for the 51st World Day of Peace.

This year the focus on the Rohingya Crisis, reminding us of the terrible reality that thousands of people are faced with every day and challenging us to think about what we can do to ensure their inclusion in the construction of the future. Currently, there are over **900,000** Rohingya living in the camps in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh, and almost **500,000** of them are children.

Auckland Diocese News.

175 Campaign – reflecting on our past by supporting those in need!

As we reflect on the diocese's 175th Anniversary, please join Bishop Steve's 175 campaign through the Caring Foundation. By donating \$175 as a parish, a family, a group of friends, or individually, you will support families and people in need throughout our diocese. To donate, please pick up a donation card from your parish foyer or visit www.caringfoundation.org.nz to donate online or to find out other ways to donate.

World Youth Day Auckland. Not every young person can get to Lisbon for World Youth Day 2023, but Sancta Maria College is much more accessible. WYD Auckland is happening Sunday 6 August, 2pm – 8.30pm. Let's come together as diocesan young people to celebrate WYD with inspiring speakers, powerful worship, Mass, Dinner (Bishop Steve is paying), reconciliation and adoration. Save the date and watch out for further details.



Music Workshop. Saturday 15 July 10am - 11am at St Josephs Room, St Francis Xavier Catholic School. All parish musicians most welcome to learn new Mass parts and psalms.



Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship next meet for prayers, praise and worship on Wednesday 21 June here in the Church at 7pm. All men welcome.



2024 ENROLMENTS: Pompallier Catholic College Board of Trustees have implemented an Enrolment Policy. The Enrolment Policy can be viewed on our website: www.pompallier.school.nz **Preference enrolment applications for 2024 open on Thursday 1 June and close on Friday 4 August. We will be unable to offer places to Non-Preference students in 2024.** Enrolment application forms are available at the College Office, or our website. Enrolment applications received after the closing date shall be added to any waitlist arising from the enrolment process. **For any enrolment queries,** please contact Kelli Adams: 09 438 3950 ext 201, or admin@pompallier.school.nz

DATES TO NOTE IN YOUR DIARY

- ◆ **Sunday 2 July:** Peter's Pence Collection. See notice.
- ◆ **Sunday 9 July:** Day of Prayer for Seafarers
- ◆ **Sunday 23 July:** World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Thought For The Week: "It is good to remember that the tea kettle, although up to its neck in hot water, continues to sing." I Thessalonians 5: 16,18. Rejoice always, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.



Kamo Prayer Group meet every Tuesday during the school term. 10am to 12 noon. Phone Anne Marie for details 021 140 4657



Martha and Mary next meet on Friday 7 July at 10am in Eymard House. All welcome



Christian Meditation meet every Wednesday in Eymard House, 5pm to 6pm.



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

Spiritual Direction or Spiritual Companionship is about being encouraged to draw closer to God. It's about awakening more to the mystery called God in ALL of life. If you want to know more please see the brochures at the back of the Church or phone Liz on 027 471 4120



Society of St Vincent de Paul

Parish Food Basket: Thank you for your continued support. Donations of tinned baked beans, tinned sweetcorn and tinned tomatoes are very welcome.

Meetings: 5pm on the First and third Thursday of the month - First Thursday we pray the Rosary and 3rd Thursday we have a meeting.

Fundraising for Greek Melkite Catholic School in Shefa Amr (Israel).

New Zealand members of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem (EOHSJ) are helping to fund the installment of a fire sprinkler system for the Elementary Greek Melkite Catholic School. We aim to raise \$25,000.

All donations most welcome. All donations are tax deductible. Use internet banking to make a payment to the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. 02-0108-0620770-00.

Each donor needs to email the EOHSJ treasurer Jim Gribble with your name and the amount donated. Please indicate if a receipt is required. See Flyer on noticeboard, our website and our Facebook page. Thank you

Special Collections in the Auckland Diocese:

Peter's Pence Collection: Feast of SS Peter & Paul - **Sunday 2 July.** This money goes direct to the Pope via the nunciature in Wellington to use in whatever projects he thinks necessary.



Newcomers - please make yourself known to a greeter before Mass. Please take a *New Parish-ioner 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.



Please remember the Parish in your Will