

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: Muffin Talk radio programmes are available online at: <https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/> For more information: 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, John Hanson, (*husband of Terisita*)

Recently deceased: Karena Carey, Frances Nicholls, (*Auckland, sister-in-law of Brian and Mary Anne Reed*), Dagmar Maly, Shirley Reed (*Kaitaia, (Auckland, sister-in-law of Brian and Mary Anne Reed)*), Graeme Nelson, (*Cambridge, former parishioner*).

Anniversaries: Marjorie Storey, John Williams.



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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

25 June 2023 Year A

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

2 Kings 4: 8-11, 14-16; Romans 6:3-4,8-11; Matthew 10:37-42

The readings at today's Mass describe situations of fear and terrible anxiety. The Responsorial Psalms follows suit: "I have borne reproach... shame has covered my face." Then the gospel reading begins, "Have no fear...."


This phrase, "Have no fear" runs like a refrain through the Gospel, indeed through the whole Bible. To Abram, God said, "Do not be afraid, I am your shield." To the prophets, "Do not be afraid, I am with you." To Mary, the angel said, "Do not be afraid." To the apostles, Jesus said, "Do not be afraid." To Paul, the Lord said, "Do not be afraid." To all his disciples, Jesus said, "Do not be afraid, little flock" (Luke 12:32).


We are accustomed to regarding doubt as the opposite of faith and hope, but in fact it is fear that is opposed to faith and trust or hope. People often tell each other "don't be afraid, nothing's going to happen". It is not very convincing and we know from experience that disagreeable things do happen, no matter how optimistic we are or might want to be..


Today's gospel reading offers a more substantial support. It does not say, "Don't be afraid, it won't happen." It says something more like, "Don't be afraid; it may well happen, but when it does happen you will not be destroyed as a person." This is the difference between optimism and hope. The 14th-century English mystic Julian of Norwich put it clearly. "The Lord did not say, 'You will not be tempted, you will not be troubled, you will not be distressed,' but he said, 'You will not be overcome.'"

As St Paul assures us, Christ has already won the victory for us and there is nothing the world can do to take it away from us, unless we give up and give it away.

Fr Peter Janssen s.m


 **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 the Church foyer or visit www.caringfoundation.org.nz to donate online or to find out other ways to donate.

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

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

Music Notes: The music leadership team of the Parish met last week. We have decided to introduce a new Mass setting: **The Mass of Christ the Saviour** at all the masses in the Parish. This will be phased in over the next few months. We will also be introducing a Common Psalm for each of the Months of Ordinary Time. Using the same psalm each week allows us all time to become familiar with it.

We can also announce that our 2023 Music Scholarship has been awarded to **Anthea Muthurajah**. Anthea has been learning keyboard and playing at masses with our young people. Along with Wolfgang Lumbea who was last year's recipient they are being supported in their tuition and given the opportunity to be future music ministers for our Parish. Congratulations Anthea.

 **Baptism Course.** Sunday 13 and 20 August 2pm to 3.30pm here in our Church. If you are expecting a child, now is a good time to do the course. For further information and to register please phone Janet at the Parish Office. 437 7902.


Arts for Ukraine is holding a LIFEBOAT fundraising dinner on Friday 30 June at 6pm. Benny's Deli, 71 Cameron Street. Cost \$40 per person. Bookings essential. Text 021 167 9718. See our parish website (under Bulletin Header) and our Facebook page.


 **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 NOT E IN YOUR DIARY


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


Thought For The Week: 29 June – The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. Their sound has gone out into all the earth and their words to the ends of the world” Psalm 19.

 **Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help.** Every Wednesday at 6pm here in our Church. All welcome.

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


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


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


 **Society of St Vincent de Paul Parish Food Basket:** Thank you for your continued support. Donations of tinned baked beans, tinned sweetcorn and jam 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. All welcome.

Auckland Christian Meditation Retreat. Registrations for the 21 - 23 July Auckland retreat are coming in. The topic is the Spirituality of Pierre Teilhard de Chardin SJ. The early bird cost is \$290.00 which ends June 30th after that the cost is \$330.00. Registrations close July 9th. Go to <https://christianmeditationnz.org.nz/auckland-retreat-july-2023/>

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. Any 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 Parishioner Pack* from the Church foyer, fill out and return to the Parish

 **Blaze Youth Group** (secondary age) meet every Friday during term time 7pm-9pm in the Parish Hall. Newcomers most welcome.

MAORI COMMUNITY - KO NGA PANUI. **Himene practice,** (2nd & 4th Thursdays) 7pm in the gathering area of the Church.
Miha Maori: First Sunday of the month at 10am.

Pregnancy Support Whangarei. A volunteer run inter-church mission opening in the near future in Whangarei. This will be at the VINE OP SHOP, corner of Vine and Walton St. "The Catholic moral tradition holds that without exception, the living embryo, has from the moment of fertilisation, an absolute right to Life" (Nathaniel Report 69 April 2023). For further information contact Mary-Ann Kaye 021 550 284 or pswhangarei@gmail.com

 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