

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 - Middy. Rosary: Sat following 8am Mass				Reconciliation Rite 1: 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.					

Board Needed. Sr. Fatima Lemisio RSM has just moved to Whangarei to work as a Chaplain at Whangarei Hospital. She is looking for short term Board with a lady parishioner whilst she looks for a permanent two bedroom home. If you can help, please phone her on 021 084 29440. Thank you

Prayers please for these people and their families.... and those who are sick and their caregivers especially: Margaret Hibbert, Barbara Ashwell, Ben Hutton, Dora Hampton, Ray Timmins.

Recently deceased: Bryan Chapman, Jeanette Yovich (*wife of Wally*), Bertha Keys, Joe Carroll, Lorna Draffin, Patrick Mehana.

Anniversaries: Fabiana Nazareth.



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TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

22 October 2023 Year A

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

Exodus 22:20-26; 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10; Matthew 22:34-40

Mission Sunday 2023

If you have money that you can give, please contribute to the world-wide Mission Sunday Collection.

This money helps churches throughout the world who are struggling to survive financially envelopes are included in the bulletin.

That is not the only understanding of Mission Sunday.

The Mission of the church, is Salvation, Living with God for ever is the mission of the church. To make Jesus Christ known and loved so that through him we might share in the life and love of God.

The Mission of the church we all share in is to accept for ourselves belief in Christ Jesus and proclaim Salvation for everyone. For the poor and the rich, the sinner and the saint, the prisoner and the free. To offer all humanity Salvation freedom from our sins, and a life with Christ Jesus, excluding no one, Including everyone,

The Mystery of the eucharist says it all, My body given up for you,
My blood poured out for you,

So that we may all know personally God, and the Kingdom we long for.

The Kingdom of God is very near to you, it is on our lips and in our heart. Even much closer to us than our own breath and being.

Fr Brian Prendeville sm

† **Solemnity of All Saints. Wednesday 1 November:**

Mass times: 12.10pm; 5.30pm.

† **All Souls Day Thursday 2 November:**

Mass times: 7am; 5.30pm - Bereavement Mass. During November you may wish to bring a small remembrance card with names of your loved ones who have died. Please place the card in the basket on the Remembrance Table in the Sanctuary. The basket will remain in the Sanctuary throughout November. Blank cards will be available on a table in the foyer from 29 October.

† **Blessing of Graves:** All are welcome to come on Sunday 5 November at 3pm to Maunu Cemetery for prayers and the blessing of graves. Meet at the entrance.



Please note: Monday 23 October being a Public Holiday (Labour Day) Mass will be celebrated at 8am.



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

World Mission Sunday 29 October 2023. Theme. "Hearts on Fire, feet on the move" Pope Francis' message for World Mission Sunday this year reflects on the theme: **"You shall be my witnesses"** (Acts 1:8). He reminds us that, "every Christian is called to be a missionary and witness to Christ".

Correction: Parish Social and Information Night @ Day at the Parish Hall.

Saturday 11 November after 6pm Mass

Sunday 12 November following 10am Mass

Bring a little food. "A plate of chicken wings".

Receive an update of Parish organisation and socialise. All within an hour.



Baptism Course for Parents of infants is on Sundays 29 October and 5 November 2pm - 3.30pm here in our Church. 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.

An Invitation to the Sacrament of Baptism for Children Between the ages of 7-12. Walk in the Light- Hikoi i te Mārama is based on the Sunday Gospel and the programme will run after 10am Mass on Sundays until 12:30. There is an expectation that at least one parent will accompany the child/children to Mass and to the sessions.

The programme will be as follows: 10am Mass
11am - Gather in the St Joseph's Room at St Francis Xavier Catholic School.
Morning tea. 11:00-12:00- Learning session

The dates will be as follows:

December 3rd and 10th; February 11th, 18th, 25th; March 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th
Baptism on Easter Sunday 31st March.

Queries to glenys@sfx.school.nz. Registration forms are available from the Parish Office. Registration forms available from the Parish Office.



Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship meet for prayers, praise and worship on Wednesday 15 November here in the Church at 7pm. All men welcome.

Thought for the Week: " Give, and it shall be given to you. For whatever measure you deal out to others, it will be dealt to you in return." Luke 6:38.

Catholic Women's Breakfast.

"Join Us for Breakfast Fellowship" on Saturday 11 November. 9.15am - 11.15am at Whangarei Cruising Club, Riverside Drive. This is a Parish social event for all Catholic women over Continental Breakfast, with views of the harbour. \$25 (includes breakfast and beverages). Gluten free option available. Limited tickets available from the Parish Office (cash only) or contact Karen Sturge on 027 436 0206 (after 5pm). Email: karendsturge@gmail.com.

St Francis Xavier Catholic School News. St Francis Xavier Catholic School Newsletter is available from the our website under the Schools Header. Go to www.whangareicatholic.org.nz

Playground: As you have possibly seen we are beginning a significant project at school to upgrade the playground areas and include a new landscape, shade, games and assembly space for our 515 students. The project has been in the planning stages for a number of years so we are delighted that it is now underway. Work is due to be completed during the Christmas holidays so it will be ready for the children when they return to school in 2024. If you would like to contribute to this mammoth fundraiser we would appreciate your help. Donations can be made to the school by contacting the office, phone (09)4371039. God bless you and thank you for your support. Craig McKernan (Principal)

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



Martha and Mary next meet on Friday 3 November at 10am in Eymard House. All welcome



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



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

MAORI COMMUNITY - KO NGA PANUI.

Himene practice, (2nd & 4th Thursdays) 7pm in the gathering area of the Church.

Miha Māori: First Sunday of the month at 10am.



Society of St Vincent de Paul: Parish Food Basket: Thank you for your continued support. Donations of tinned sweetcorn, tinned vegetables and jelly 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 to join us.

Kids Korner & Parent Ponderings. Exploring our aith with Children.

This week: Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time. <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/Twenty-Nineth-SUNDAY-of-OT.pdf>

Auckland Diocese Special Collections: World Mission Sunday 29 October.

This money is distributed by the National Missions Office to help in the running expenses of a diocese for 12 months in a missionary country.



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.



Please remember the Parish in your Will