

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 *Liturgy	8.30am Mass	///
Maungakareama	10.30am Eucharist	///	///	///	///
Matapouri, Miha	12 noon 3rd Sunday of Month: - March; May; July; Sept; Nov		* LOW 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.					

Parish Library. Come and check out our Parish library located in the Parish Office. We have a wonderful selection of books to borrow. We also have over 60 DVD's that can also be borrowed. Please take a pamphlet from the noticeboard, which has a synopsis of each DVD and borrowing information.

Prayers please for these people and their families.... and those who are sick and their caregivers especially: Ben Hutton, Rory O'Connor (*Husband of Colleen*), Maxine Russek, Bob Connor, Rodney Palmer, Margaret Fromont, Noel Woods (*husband of Jessie*), Margaret Hibbert.

Recently deceased: Mary McKay, (*wife of Don*), Wendy Carter, Monica Foster (*wife of Sean*), Molly Prime, (*nee Tohu Moro*), Jan Peacock, (*mother of Mike Peacock*), Ferzil Babu, Sarath Das, Roma Hapiti-Pihema, (*sister of the late Molly Prime*), James Rawiri (*Huntly*).

Anniversaries: Sue Pirini.



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PENTECOST SUNDAY
19 May 2024 Year B

Next Week's Readings: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
Deuteronomy 4: 32-34, 39-40; Romans 8:14-17; Matthew 28:16-20.

Finding Pentecost Within Us


Throughout the last 50 days of Easter, we heard a lot of stories of the resurrected Lord who still had some teaching and revealing to do. Jesus wasn't quite ready to leave yet. Now, on this solemnity of Pentecost, Jesus turns his work over to his disciples. Jesus' mission continues but we are the ones to take it on. We think of Pentecost as occurring on Pentecost Sunday, but in a very real sense, Pentecost doesn't just occur on one day of the year.

Every day can be Pentecost for us---if we let it.


The Church teaches us that there are 7 gifts of the Holy Spirit: Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, and Fear (reverence or respect) of God. Receiving these gifts via the sacraments isn't like receiving a birthday or Christmas present---being on the receiving end of something that we never owned before. The Holy Spirit didn't give the apostles anything that they didn't already possess. What the Holy Spirit did for the Apostles, and what He continues to do for us today, is **to awaken us to the gifts that God has already given us by virtue of our Baptism and Confirmation.**

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen once said about the Church, "Even though we are God's chosen people, we often behave more like God's frozen people---frozen in our prayer life, frozen in the way we relate to one another, frozen in the way Today being Pentecost, it's a great day to ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle in us the spirit of new life and enthusiasm so that we are made more aware of the gifts from God that we already possess. It's a great day to respond to the challenge that Pope Francis issued when he asked the question, "Are you ready to be Christian full-time, showing your commitment by word and by deed?"
Deacon Jim Nees

 **Newcomers to our Parish.** Father Brian invites all newcomers to a Social gathering with a shared meal on Friday 26 July (feast of St Anne). Put this in your diary now, with more details to come in early July.


 **Public Holiday.** As Monday 3 June is a Public Holiday (King's Birthday), Mass will be celebrated at 8am.

Planned giving. We ask that anyone not currently registered for regular planned giving consider doing so. By registering, your donations will be recorded and an annual receipt provided for you to claim up to one third of your donations from IRD. We ask that all parishioners review their planned giving to support the work of our Parish. Please contact the Parish Office for further information. Our thanks to those already contributing. All donations make a difference.

 **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.


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

 **Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship** will meet for prayers, praise and worship on Wednesday 19 June at 7pm here in our Church.

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

Catholic Women's Breakfast. Young and old, join us for breakfast fellowship! **15 June 2023, 9.15am - 11.15am – by ticket only. Whangarei Cruising Club, Riverside Drive, Whangarei.** This event is for all women regardless of style of worship, to meet other Catholic women over a finger food breakfast, with views of the harbour. Now at a reduced price of \$15 (includes breakfast and beverages). Tickets available from Janet at the Parish Office (cash only) or by contacting Karen Sturge on 027 4360206 or Email: karendsturge@gmail.com

Church Carpet. Gratitude and thanks to all who contributed to the carpet, Especially the young people of the Indian community and St Francis Xavier Catholic School. The carpet looks wonderful.

 **Couples for Christ Family Ministries** invites all parishioners to attend a Christian Life Programme which begins Saturday 8 June 1pm - 4pm in our Parish Hall. For further information please contact Billie 021 421 536.

Church Car Park

Stop Sign: There is a Stop Sign before you turn right to exit the Church car park. For safety of all who use this car park, all vehicles **must come to a complete stop** before continuing on to the exit. There have been several near misses of late.

Footpaths: Please do not park on our footpaths.

Vehicles are damaging the footpath and blocking the safe pedestrian entry / egress for parishioners and children.

DATES TO NOTE IN YOUR DIARY

- ◆ **Sunday 26 May: The Most Holy TRINITY**
- ◆ **Friday 31 May: THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: " You can win more friends with your ears than with your mouth". James 1:19b Let everyone be quick to listen, slow to anger...

SFX Prayer Group meet every Tuesday in Eymard House during School term, 10am to 12 noon. Phone Anne Marie for details 021 140 4657

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



St Francis Xavier Catholic School News.

Classes have the Life Education Caravan visiting this week. Our students get lots of learning and time for reflection out of these sessions, which are relevant and about making good choices. This week was *support staff appreciation* week. We value our support staff and their continued commitment to our students and school. Many of our programs and the smooth operation of our school is due to us having a dedicated and experienced support staff team. God bless, Bernadette Hall (Principal)



St Francis Xavier Parish Playgroup meet every Tuesday at 9am in the Parish Hall. Gold coin donation. Phone Katharine 021 529 663.

Society of St Vincent de Paul: Parish Food Basket:

Thank you for your continued support. Donations of tinned sweetcorn, tinned tomatoes, spaghetti 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.



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

Northland Sinfonia Concert.

Today, Sunday 19 May at 3pm here in our Church. Tickets available at the door. (cash only). Adults \$20. Seniors \$15. Under 18 free.

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, followed by morning tea and the Māori Committee meeting at 12 noon.



Pax Christi next meet on Tuesday 4 June in Eymard House 5.30pm - 7.30pm. All welcome.



Can You Help? Computer Operators needed to operate the laptop for Sunday Masses. We ask if any adults or secondary school students can help with this Ministry? Full training given. Please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

Auckland Diocese: Special Collections.

Peter's Pence Collection. Sunday 30 June. This money goes direct to the Pope via the nunciature in Wellington to use in whatever projects he thinks necessary.



Newcomers - Welcome.

Please make yourself known to a greeter before Mass. Please take a *New Parishioner Pack* from the Church foyer, fill it out and return it to the Parish Office. Thank you.



It costs \$5,270.24 per week to meet running costs of our Parish including our Outlying Areas.



Eftpos Machine is at the rear of the Church.

Please remember the Parish in your Will