

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	///
Maungakaramea	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.					

Upcoming Retreats & Events at St Francis Retreat Centre: 24Hr Quietude.
For those who seek a short retreat- Fri 7pm - Sat 7pm (\$120pp incl accommodation + food) July 12th/13th. For more info/dates and to book visit www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz or call 09 625 6651

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, Rodney Palmer, Margaret Fromont, Margaret Hibbert, Margaret Kernot, Dora Hampton, Bev Roberts, John Ross (*husband of Anne*), Paul Sorensen, Peter Jackson, Anna Williams, Ken Doran.

Recently deceased: Mathilda Anthony, David Monahan, (*Westport, nephew of Peter Monahan*), Peter Ashcroft, Marilyn Snell (*wife of George*).

Anniversaries: Shirley Reed, Jack Webb, Nell Newton, Gloria Bustamante, Islay Fidler, Bruce Biggins.



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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
30 June 2024 Year B

Next Week's Readings: Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time.
Ezekiel 2:2-5; 2 Corinthians 12:7-10; Mark 6:1-6

I welcome any holiday, especially a holiday that asks us to pause, to examine, to review, to renew, to unite and to be still and ponder. All of these are incorporated this weekend. The depths of winter, the shortest day, The feast of St John the Baptist, and Matariki.

Matariki, translated, the face of God and known as the Mother with seven daughters. All these stars reflect stories by myth; of care and guidance; Truth, prosperity, forgiveness and healing. Starting again, renewing our past relationships, in fact all that the Christian is called on to do, anytime, that asks us to pause, and stop, and look, and ponder, and breathe deeply about our way of life is met with acceptance and even encouragement. To come together to eat together, to laugh and dance together, Welcome, Welcome. Welcome.

To address the needs of our world, our country, our families, our schools, our own personal needs, Nau mai, Nau mai, nau mai. To ask for Peace and hate war.

But in order to do this we need to look to the stars, and wonder. Amos the prophet for the unfaithful, has this to say about Matariki.

He who made the Pleiades and Orion, *Matariki, the Mother and Seven Daughters*, who turns midnight into dawn and darkens day into night, who calls for the waters of the sea and pours them out over the face of the land — the Lord is his name. Amos 5:8

In the book of Job has this to say,
Can you bring forth the constellations in their seasons or lead out the Bear and her cubs? Job 38.32


He is the Maker of the Bear and Orion, of the Pleiades and the constellations of the south. He does great things beyond searching out, and wonders without number. Job 9:9-10


He (the Lord) heals the broken hearted, and binds up their wounds. He determines the number of the stars, He gives to all of them their names. Psalm 147:3-4

Fr Brian Prendeville sm

St Francis Xavier Parish Administrator Position. The Parish is re-advertising this position which involves bookkeeping and property maintenance. This role is expected to be full time or could be shared by two part-timers to suit their skillsets. We are seeking strong organisation skills and attention to detail, excellent communication and interpersonal skills, and proficiency in Microsoft Office and accounting software. To find out more please contact Leah Peacock, Chair of the Parish Finance Committee on 027 273 7301.

Our next Baptism Course is on Sunday 4 August and Sunday 11 August, 2pm-3.30pm here in our Church. If you are expecting your first child, now is a good time to do the Course. To register please phone the Parish Office 437 7902.

 **Please note: Incorrect details in Bulletin last week.** Correct details are below. **Martha and Mary will meet on Friday 5 July** at 10am in Eymard House for companionship, listening and learning. All welcome. Enquiries to Jan 021 284 0781

 **Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship** will meet for prayers, praise and worship on Wednesday 17 July at 7pm here in our Church. All men are very welcome.

Wings.Ngā Parirau Catholic Faith Formation Programme.
Our parish will be holding Walk By Faith sessions on the following dates: 3 August; 7 September and 19 October. This Faith Formation Programme is endorsed by the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference. Wings.Ngā Parirau aims to support your spiritual growth. Walk By Faith is a three year programme, (three sessions each year) and the third year is a practical one of setting up a new group and guiding it through. The sessions will be led by Dianna Fouhy from the Auckland Diocese. There is no cost for the Wings.Ngā Parirau programme. All resources are provided free for participants. Please register at the Parish Office. Thank you. Please take a pamphlet or leaflet from the Church foyer. Copies will be in the suitcases for Outlying Areas.

2025 ENROLMENTS for Pompallier Catholic College. Preference enrolment applications for 2025 close on Friday 2 August. It is advisable that Parents/Caregivers read our current Enrolment Policy and 2025 Enrolment Process document prior to applying. Enrolment application forms are available at the College office, on our website, or you can request a pack to be posted to you by phoning the office on 09 438 3950. **Please note:** Enrolment application forms have already been posted direct to Parents/Caregivers of Year 6 students currently attending St Francis Xavier Catholic School. Enrolment applications received after the closing date shall be added to any waitlist arising from the enrolment process. Unfortunately, we will be unable to offer places to Non-Preference students in 2025. 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 14 July:** Sea Sunday - Day of Prayer for Seafarers.
- ◆ **Sunday 21 July:** Caring Sunday


 **Pax Christi next meet** on Tuesday 2 July in Eymard House, 5.30pm-7.30pm. All welcome.


THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: " Spread love everywhere you go: first of all in your own house. Give love to your children, to your wife or husband, to a next door neighbour... Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness; kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile, kindness in your warm greeting". **Mother Teresa**

 **Blaze Youth Group** (secondary age) meet every Friday during term time 7pm-9pm in the Parish Hall. Come along and meet new friends and join in the fun. All teens welcome. Enquiries to the Parish Office.
World Youth Day: Saturday 17th August 10am – 8:30pm at Victory Convention Centre, 98 Beaumont St, Freemans Bay. Save the date for this incredible experience! Young people aged 13-30yrs old (and their youth leaders) are invited to join us for an unforgettable celebration of our Catholic faith. Get ready for praise & worship, a special guest speaker, Mass with Bishop Steve Lowe, free kai, time to connect with other young Catholics and so much more! Registrations opening soon! Go to facebook.com/AKCYM for updates or email felicitym@cda.org.nz for more info.

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


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



 **Parish Playgroup** meet every Tuesday during term time, 9am to 11.30am in the Parish Hall and each Tuesday during the School Term. Special invite to all Mums, Dads and Caregivers - bring along your preschoolers and join in the fun. Gold coin donation. Enquiries to the Parish Office.

 **Society of St Vincent de Paul: Parish Food Basket.** Thank you for your continued support. Donations of tinned fruit, baked beans, tea and long life milk are very welcome.
Meetings: 5pm on the first and third Thursday of the month. First Thursday we pray the Rosary and third Thursday we have a meeting. All welcome.

St Francis School News:
This week our students celebrated Matariki. We had a full day of Matariki learning including the story of Matariki, crafts, waiata, the Pleiades and kai. Thanks to all the families who joined us for some of the day. We also hosted Kensington Educare who joined us for some of the celebrations. Matariki, among other things, reminds us to be thankful and reflect on a renewal. Let us pray we may be renewed in understanding and following Christ.
God bless, Bernadette Hall (Principal)

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.

 **New to our Parish? 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