

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 Office Hours: We are open Tuesday to Friday 8.30am - 1pm and 2pm - 3.30pm. We are closed on Public Holidays.

Upcoming Retreats & Events at St Francis Retreat Centre: For more info/dates and to book visit www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz or call 09 625 665. Women's Prayer Retreat- A reflective prayer retreat in the Catholic tradition for Women | 3 nights, 4 days starting Thu 1 Aug 7pm - Sun 4 Aug 3pm | \$400

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, Paul Sorensen, Peter Jackson, Anna Williams, Ken Doran, Peter Crawford.

Recently deceased: Willianne Hill, Marilyn Snell, Elsa Olla, (*wife of Don Nightingale*), John Ross (*husband of Anne*)

Anniversaries: Tony Moroney, Terri Stunell.



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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

21 July 2024 Year B

Next Week's Readings: Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time.

2 Kings 4:42-44; Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:1-15

This Sunday is Caring Sunday. Our Lord Jesus commands us to "Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." (John 13:34-35) Our Gospel reading this Sunday says "So as he (Jesus) stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length." (Mark 6:34) Jesus felt pity for the crowd. This shows the caring aspect or nature of his heart. He cares for others. As Christians, we are to imitate Christ. We are called to have hearts like that of our Lord and care for others.

Caring Sunday is an opportunity for us all to acknowledge the many 'caring' ministries within the Church and to support them and their work through special donations and prayers. Your generous financial donations in 2023, enabled the Catholic Caring Foundation, the Auckland Bishop's charity, to help many of our poor, vulnerable, and other brothers and sisters in need. All of the your donations were distributed as follows:

Homelessness and Hunger (18% of all funds) - including support for St Vincent de Paul, Northland with foodbank & budgeting assistance. **Support and care for families** (33% of all funds) – such as helping families to break free from intergenerational poverty, abuse and crime. **Support and care for children and young people** (20% of all funds) - Such as mentorship for young people with a parent in prison or who are at risk of offending, being recruited into gangs & life of crime. **Community care** (23% of all funds) - **Caring for people in our community**, such as those facing unemployment etc.. **Caring for our elderly**, providing programmes & support for our vulnerable elderly such as The Northland Disabled Trust - **Support for mums escaping domestic violence** – such as those in Women's Refuge. **Care for migrants, refugees** and asylum seekers. Thank you for your generosity. Thank you for caring. Please continue with your prayerful and financial support of the work of the Catholic Caring Foundation and all the 'caring' ministries within the church. Envelopes are in the foyer or if you prefer you may donate online. Blessings... Dcn Nimo

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

(Holy Day of Obligation)

Thursday 15 August.

Mass times: 7am.

9am (SFX School)

5.30pm.



St Francis Xavier Parish Administrator Vacancy. This position involves bookkeeping and management of maintenance contractors. The role is expected to be full time or could be shared by two part-timers to suit their skillsets. We are seeking someone with strong organisation skills and attention to detail, excellent communication and interpersonal skills, 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.

Newcomers to our Parish. Father Brian invites all newcomers to a Social Gathering with a shared meal in the Parish Hall from 6 pm next Friday 26 July, (feast of St Anne). If you consider yourself new to the Parish please register your interest in attending by texting "SFX Parish" to 022 466 0766. You will then be contacted by the organisers to answer any questions you may have.

Safeguarding Workshop. Sunday 28 July 2024 at 2pm in our Parish Hall. This is the initial training for all parish volunteers who come into contact with children and vulnerable adults in the normal course of their ministries. The workshop is for those who have not received this training. **If you have not received the training, please come.** If you have done the training but want to attend it as a refresher, you are very welcome. Observers are also very welcome. If you are attending the workshop please contact Dcn Nimo via the Parish Office.



Our next Baptism Course is on Sundays 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.

Wings.Ngā Parirau Catholic Faith Formation Programme. Our parish will be holding Walk By Faith sessions on the following Saturdays: 3 August, 7 September and 19 October in the Parish Hall, 10am to 2.30pm. **Walk By Faith is a free 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. Please register at the Parish Office and take a leaflet from the Church foyer.

RCIA. Enquiry Evenings will be held on Wednesday 31 July, 7 August and 14 August, 7.15pm in the side room of our Parish Hall. The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a Process where you can ask questions, become more acquainted with the Catholic community and the Gospel values by which we try to live. It is for adults wishing to become Catholic. A warm welcome is assured. Come, bring a friend, neighbour or anyone interested. No commitment is necessary and no pressure to go beyond your own pace. Everyone is welcome. Queries to the Parish Office.

DATES TO NOTE IN YOUR DIARY

Sunday 28 July: World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. *Theme: "Do not cast me off in my old age"* (cf. Psalm 71:9)
Safeguarding Worksop. See notice.

Chapel Closure

Our side Chapel in the Church is closed for four weeks.

Construction workers will be on site to carry out roof repairs.

Evening of Family Fun. Families are invited to come to our Parish this Sunday 21 July 3pm to 6pm. There will be Board games and Pizza. Enquiries to Katharine 021 529 663 or Alyn 021 024 03997

Kamo Prayer Group will not meet on Tuesday 23 July.

They will gather the following Tuesday.

Martha and Mary meet on Friday 72 August at 10am in Eymard House. All welcome.

Blaze Youth Group

(secondary age) will meet in Eymard House on Friday 26 July from 7pm-9pm. **Please note change of venue.** Come along and meet new friends and join in the fun. All teens welcome.



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.

Christian Meditation Community Day. Saturday 17 August at Eymard House. 9.30am to 3pm. Bring your own lunch. Tea/Coffee provided. Small Koha is appreciated. Theme: Sharing stories into the Sacred. If you are intending to come please let Michael know. Phone 436 5 663 or email md1@outlook.co.nz

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 pre-schoolers and join in the fun. Gold coin donation.

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. Go to facebook.com/AKCYM for updates or email felicitym@cda.org.nz



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.

Pax Christi invites you to a presentation by Dr Susan Healy, in St Joseph's room SFX School on Saturday 3 August, 2:30 - 4:30pm. Find out more about Te Tiriti o Waitangi and the Treaty Principles Bill. Further enquires contact Liz Beazley 0274714120.

2025 Preference enrolment applications for Pompallier Catholic College close on Friday 2 August. 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

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

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "The heart is happiest when it beats for others".

John 15:13 No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.