

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.					

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy: Bible Stories - what do they mean? with Beate Matthies. Join us in unravelling Bible stories and looking for answers within a group. Sunday, 7 July 2024, 5-6pm (Zoom). Koha. <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2024/05/07/bible-stories-what-do-they-mean/>

Shining the Light - Women who changed the course of the biblical narrative with Debbie Miller. Sunday, 28 July 2024, 5-6pm (Zoom). Fee: \$20. <https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/shining-the-light-women-in-the-bible/> See flyer on noticeboard.

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: Peter Ashcroft, Marilyn Snell.

Anniversaries: Clive Puckey, Ellen O'Hagan, Matt Gunson.



St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish



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FORTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7 July 2024 Year B

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

Amos 7:12-15; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:7-13

Parent Teacher Interviews

For the last two days of this week the staff at Pompallier College and St. Francis Xavier have been involved in parent teacher interviews. The teachers will have evaluated the students' performance throughout the past term. The interviews are an opportunity to discuss a student's progress in learning and behaviour.

Our Readings this weekend point to God evaluating the performance of the Chosen people.

In the First Reading, Ezekiel has to speak to the Israelite people – it is not looking too good. God describes them as 'rebels who have turned against me', "they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me", "the sons are defiant and obstinate". Not the best of report cards. These are the people to whom Ezekiel is sent with a message from God.


In the Gospel, we hear of Jesus returning to His hometown. He preaches in the Synagogue. The people's response to Him sums up any progress in their knowledge and attitude towards Him. Their initial reaction is one of astonishment which quickly turns to ridicule. The description of Jesus as "Son of Mary" may be an insult, since Jews were customarily known by their father's name, "Son of Joseph". After all that they had known about His birth, His life among them, their lack of acceptance of Him illustrates their lack of faith and belief in Him.

For ourselves, if God were to assess me in terms of my love of God and love of neighbour what words would be used to describe my progress?

St Francis Xavier Parish Administrator Position. The Parish is readvertising this position involving bookkeeping and management of maintenance contractors. 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.

Newcomers to our Parish. Father Brian invites all newcomers to a Social Gathering with a shared meal at the Parish hall from 6 pm on 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.

Training for those who are interested in helping distribute Holy Communion at Mass. Today Sunday 7 July 3pm to 4pm here in our Church..

 **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.

Chapel Closure. Our side Chapel in the Church will be closed from 15 July for four weeks. Construction workers will be on site to carry out roof repairs.

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion to the Sick. There will be a time of reflection and sharing for those in Ministry of taking Communion to the Sick on Saturday, 20 July in the St Joseph's room SFX School. Begins at 2:30pm. Please bring something to write with and if you like your own journal to write in. For enquiries contact Liz Beazley 0274714120.

Pompallier Catholic College News: The Board of Pompallier Catholic College is delighted to announce the appointment of Hayden Kingdon as the new Principal of this college. Hayden comes to us from St Peter's College in Epsom.

Wings.Ngā Parirau Catholic Faith Formation Programme. Our parish will be holding the Walk By Faith programme on the following Saturdays: 3 August, 7 September and 19 October in the Parish Hall. 10am to 2.30pm. 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. There is no cost for this programme. Please register at the Parish Office. Leaflets are in the Church foyer.


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. It would be great to see you there. 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.


Pompallier Catholic College Applications for 2025 close on Friday 2 August. a pack to be posted to you by phoning the office on 09 438 3950. 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. Enrolment queries, please contact Kelli Adams: 09 438 3950 ext 201, or admin@pompallier.school.nz

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "Have Faith. No matter what lies ahead. Hold on to your Faith."


World Youth Day: Saturday 17 August 10am – 8:30pm at Victory Convention Centre, 98 Beaumont St, Freemans Bay. 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! Go to facebook.com/AKCYM for updates or email felicitym@cda.org.nz for more info.

Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship meet for prayers, praise and worship on Wednesday 17 July at 7pm here in our Church. All men are very 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 5663 or email md1@jhug.co.nz


 **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.



St Francis School News: The NZ Catholic Education Convention proved to be inspiring and relevant. We got to hear from some leading educational experts from other parts of the world and also here in Aotearoa including; Manuel Beazley, Dr Sandra Cullen (Professor of RE and Head of Human development at Dublin City University), Tim Wilson (Maxim Institute), Dr John Kleinsman (National Centre for Bioethics, Bishop John Adams, Dr Joe Paprocki (National Consultant for Faith Formation for Loyola Press), among many other great speakers. It was wonderful that Pompallier College and St Francis Xavier represented our region at this event. We pray for all those traveling these school holidays that they stay safe. God bless, Bernadette Hall (Principal)

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

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.

Auckland Diocese Special Collections. Caring Sunday 21 July. The Catholic Caring Foundation is the Bishop's charity which assists vulnerable children, at risk youth, older people living in isolation, victims of domestic violence, refugees, homeless and all living in extreme hardship. It gathers donations made to the Foundation and distributes grants to community groups working in areas of very high need.

 **New to our Parish? Welcome.** 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