

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	6pm Sat Vigil 8am Sun 10am Sun (Miha)	6pm Sat Vigil (Youth Mass) 8am & 10am Sun	6pm Sat Vigil 8am & 10am Sun	6pm Sat Vigil 8am Sun 10am Sun (Family Mass)	6pm Sat Vigil 8am & 10am Sun
Ruakaka	10.30 am *Liturgy	10.30am Eucharist	10.30 am *Liturgy	10.30am Eucharist	10.30 am *Liturgy
Hikurangi	8:00am Eucharist	10:00am *Liturgy	10:00am Eucharist	10:00am *Liturgy	10:00am *Liturgy
Whangarei Heads	6pm Sat Vigil	8:30am *Liturgy	///	8:30am *Liturgy	10am. Combined Community Service
Maungata-pere	///	11am *Liturgy	///	8.30am Eucharist	///
Maungakamea	10.30am Eucharist	///	10.30am *Liturgy	///	///
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 Eucharist.	
Poroti, Miha	12 noon 3rd Sunday of Month: - Feb; April; June; Aug; Oct; Dec				
Pipiwai, Miha	12 noon 5th Sunday of the month				
Eucharist Weekdays and Other Ceremonies					
Monday 7am Eucharist	Tuesday 9am Eucharist; 12.10pm LOWHC	Wednesday 7am LOWHC; 12.10pm Eucharist	Thursday 7am Eucharist; 12.10pm LOWHC	Friday 7am LOWHC; 12.10pm Eucharist	Saturday 8am Eucharist
<b>Exposition:</b> Fri 6.15am; & 11am - Midday. Sat 7.15am - 7.45am.				<b>Reconciliation Rite I:</b> 11.30am Fri & Saturday. <b>Rite II:</b> 7.30pm 4th Wednesday	
6pm. Wednesdays of the month. Novena - Filipino Community. 5:30pm. 5th Sunday of month. Mass - Filipino Community.					

**BEGINNING EXPERIENCE Weekend Auckland Friday evening 14 June**—Sunday afternoon 16 June. **ALONE AGAIN?** A weekend away to help those suffering the heartache of Separation, Divorce or Widowhood. The programme provides support for the grieving single again, and offers an opportunity to turn the pain or loss into an experience of positive growth. The total cost for 2 nights accommodation, meals and materials, plus a follow up event is \$325.00. Early Bird cost of \$295.00 if paid by 3 May. Phone Carol 021 169 0222 or Kay 027 5975 420. Visit

**Prayers please for these people and their families.... and those who are sick and their caregivers especially:** Margaret Rabone, Michael Kooge Jnr, Peter Jackson, Richard McLeod (*Upper Hutt, brother of Dora Hampton*), Trevor Russek.

**Recently deceased:** Ramon Winn, Noeline Holland, Lillian Delamore, Kieran Mannion, Enda Ring (nee Mannion), Annie van Roon.

**Anniversaries:** Barney O'Keefe, Ted Crawford, Nellie Ollard, David Jones, Lynley McDonald



# St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish

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**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**  
**14 April 2019 Year C**

**Next Week's Readings: (Sunday of the Resurrection)**  
**Acts 10: 34,37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9**

**T**oday is Palm Sunday. This day we remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and the crowds waving palms at him and hailing him as a King. Luke's story of the passion is what we follow this year. There is such a lot to listen to. It reminds us that as followers of Jesus we must expect suffering. His work to redeem the world was not something he did from a distance but something he was involved in even to suffering. If you want something to help you focus I suggest that the second reading of today from Paul to the Philippians is a good place. It gives us the broad overview of God's plan. How through obedience to his Father, Jesus became like us and suffered and died but was raised in glory. It is a beautiful summary of the



mystery of Salvation and it also calls us to something...to act towards each other with unity of mind and humility.

You could use this passage as a meditation to lead you into Holy Week as a roadmap of where we are going. May this week ahead be a Holy and blessed one for you all.

Fr Peter McDermott S.M.

**Please note: As Easter Monday (22 April)** is a Public Holiday, Mass will be celebrated at 8am and the Parish Office will be closed. The Parish Office will also be closed Tuesday 23 April and Wednesday 24 April.

**Anzac Day:** (Public Holiday) **Thursday 25 April.** Mass will be celebrated at 8am and the Parish Office will be closed. The Parish Office is open Friday 26 April.

**Sunday 28 April: There will be no Bulletin.**

### Holy Week and Easter Timetable

#### **Sunday 14: PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD.**

Sat 6pm (Vigil): Mass - Procession from Portico.

Sun 8am: Mass - Procession from Portico.

Sun 10am Mass - Procession from Portico.



#### **Monday 15 April:** 7am Mass

#### **Tuesday 16 April:** (One Mass only)

Chrism Mass is the only Mass today 12 noon.

The Celebrant is Bishop Pat Dunn DD.

Please bring a plate of finger food for our shared lunch, which you can leave in the Parish Hall from 11am onwards.

#### **Wednesday 17 April:** 7.00am:LOWHC; 12.10pm:Mass

7.00pm - 8.00pm: Reconciliation Rite I

#### **Thursday 18 April: Holy Thursday.** (One Mass only)

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.30pm. Bring food for the needy – Society of St Vincent de Paul basket will be brought up at the Offertory Procession.

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass till 10pm)



#### **Good Friday 19 April:**

• Stations of the Cross: 10.30am St Francis Xavier Church

• Solemn Liturgy 3pm at St Francis Xavier Church

(Children's Liturgy in Parish Hall) Retiring Collection for the Holy Places.

#### **Other Services at other Places on Good Friday:**

† Ecumenical Service: Onerahi Community Hall 10am.

Procession from St James Church at 9.30am.

† Stations of the Cross: Maungakaramaea 11am.

† Ecumenical Service: Waipu. (Procession from Saorsa

Village, St Mary's Road at 9.30am to St Peter's Anglican Church for the Service at 10am).



#### **Holy Saturday 20 April:** (One Mass only) .

• Easter Vigil 7.30pm. A shared supper will be held in the Hall afterwards.

Everyone is invited to bring a plate of light 'finger food'. which you can leave in the Parish Hall from 5pm onwards.

**Easter Sunday 21 April: St Francis Xavier:** 8am Mass. 10am Mass.

**Whangarei Heads:** 7.30am. **Maungakaramaea:** 9.00am.

**Hikurangi:** 10.30 am. **Ruakaka:** 10.30 am.

**Easter Monday 22 April:** 8am Mass.

**Sunday 28 April:** Sunday of Divine Mercy.

**PALM SUNDAY REFLECTION:** ... See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on, a donkey. Zechariah 9.9

**Euthanasia Bill Petition** - the Euthanasia Bill sponsored by MP David Seymour is about to get its second reading and vote in parliament. The Bill is dangerous and does not contain effective safeguards. Check out the dangers of this Bill by visiting [www.carealliance.org.nz](http://www.carealliance.org.nz) or [www.defendnz.co.nz](http://www.defendnz.co.nz). **We encourage every one of you who will be of voting age at the next election (currently aged 17+ years) to sign the Care Alliance Petition to let your MP know your opposition to this Bill.** Petition forms are in the foyer and for Outlying Areas in the suitcase.

**St Francis Xavier Parish Annual General Meeting. Sunday 5 May in the Parish Hall** following Morning Tea. We ask parishioners to put this date in their diary.

**Gold Card will not meet** on Thursday 18 April due to Holy Week Ceremonies. Also there will be no Maunu neighbourhood Mass on 19 April.

**"The Passion of Christ" – Film by Mel Gibson.** This film will be screened in our Church – St Francis Xavier on Wednesday (of Holy Week) 17 April at 7.30pm. **ALL are encouraged to attend.** Entry is free. This film is rated R16 and this age restriction will be strictly adhered to. Hosted by Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship, Northland. For information about Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship, go to <http://www.joshua.org.nz/> and <https://www.facebook.com/JoshuaNorthland>

**Society of St Vincent de Paul Parish Food Basket:** Thank you for your generous help to the poor. We are in need of Baked beans, tinned vegetables and 2 min noodles. Thank you to all the parishioners who so generously helped us by donating Easter Eggs, the Young Vinnies are very thankful for your help. **Meeting:** First and third Thursday at 5 pm in Eymard House.

**Blaze Youth Group** (secondary age) do not meet during School Holidays. **Flame Group** (aged 7 to 12 years) are having a break and hope to resume next term. Enquiries to the Parish Office.

**Christian Meditation. Meditation and Recovery Day.** Saturday 27 April at 9.30am at the Anglican Hall, Regent. All welcome to attend. To register contact Michael 436 5663 or [md1@ihug.co.nz](mailto:md1@ihug.co.nz) See notice board.



#### **MAORI COMMUNITY - KO NGA PANUI.**

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

**New Zealand Catholic Medical Association Inaugural Meeting** Saturday: 25 May 10am -3pm at St Michael's School Hall, 6 Beatrice Road, Remuera, Auckland - Cost \$25 per person. Will include Blessing and Holy Mass from Bishop Patrick Dunn and provide an opportunity for doctors and others involved in healthcare to find pastoral care, support, encouragement and faith development. We wish to extend an invitation to doctors, nurses, midwives, physiotherapist, counsellors, social workers, chaplains, pharmacists, dentists, health administrators, lawyers and anyone who works in allied roles. Registration is required for catering purposes by 20 May. Event details: [newzealandcatholicmedical.co.nz/event](http://newzealandcatholicmedical.co.nz/event)

**Zonta High Tea.** Fundraising for Grandparents raising grandchildren. 11 May 2pm-4pm Barge Park Events Centre. See notice board for more details.

**Special Collections in the Auckland Diocese: Collection for the Holy Places - Good Friday 19 April .** This collection goes towards the upkeep of the Holy Places in Christendom.

 It costs \$5,270.24 to run the parish each week. This week we received \$5,462.10 from all collections. This includes an annual donation. Thank you. 

*Please remember the Parish in your Will*