

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. <b>Rosary:</b> Sat 7.30am				<b>Reconciliation Rite I :</b> 11.30am Fri & Saturday. <b>Rite II:</b> 4th Wednesday 7.30pm	
6pm. Wednesdays of the month. Novena - Filipino Community. 5:30pm. 5th Sunday of month. Mass - Filipino Community.					

**Available from the Parish Office**  
2019 Columban Calendar \$12.00.  
NZ Catholic - \$4.00  
2019 Daily Mass Calendar - \$3.50  
SVdP Christmas cards - \$2.50

**Accommodation Needed.** Past parishioner (now living in Auckland) will be working in Whangarei 1-2 days a week and needs casual accommodation. Please phone Russell if you can help. 021 501 585. Thank you.

**Shop Smart. For Christmas.** Hands on Workshop at Anglican Care Centre, 1 Mill Road. Thursday 29 November 9.30am-1pm. \$5 each. Flyer on notice board. Ph 437 6397 to register.

*Prayers please for these people and their families.... and those who are sick and their caregivers especially*, Maryann Rundlett, Fr Tom O'Connor SM, Rita Urwin (Auckland, daughter of Truus Cox).

**Recently deceased:** Cushla Thomas (wife of Neville), Val Truman, (mother of Dianne Doran), Gordon Whiting.

**Anniversaries:** Cecelia Lazarus, Brigitta Di Mauro, Joy Nebekel, Eric Norman.



# St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish

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**THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**18 November 2018 Year B**

**Next Week's Readings: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**  
**Daniel 7:13-14; Apocalypse 1:5-8; John 18: 33-37.**

*"When you see these things happening, know that He is near.  
My words will not pass away". Mark 13:31*

Twenty years ago, the church in Oceania, all the Pacific, gathered in Rome for a meeting. The document issued, following the meeting, was called Ecclesia (The Church) in Oceania. (For the complete document, Google the name) Here is the document's end prayer to encourage us to ponder it. Pop it on your fridge door.

**O Mary, Help of Christians, in our need we turn to you**  
with eyes of love, with empty hands and longing hearts.  
We look to you that we may see your Son, our Lord.  
We lift our hands that we may have the Bread of Life.  
We open wide our hearts to receive the Prince of Peace.

**Mother of the Church**, your sons and daughters thank you for your trusting word that echoes through the ages, rising from an empty soul made full of grace, prepared by God to welcome the Word to the world that the world itself might be reborn. In you, the reign of God has dawned, a reign of grace and peace, love and justice, born from the depths of the Word made flesh. The Church throughout the world joins you in praising Him whose mercy is from age to age.

O Stella Maris, guide the peoples of Oceania across all dark and stormy seas, that they may reach the haven of peace and light prepared in him who calmed the sea. Keep all your children safe from harm for the waves are high and we are far from home. As we set forth upon the oceans of the world, and cross the deserts of our time, show us, O Mary, the fruit of your womb, for without your Son we are lost. Pray that we will never fail on life's journey, that in heart and mind, in word and deed, in days of turmoil and in days of calm, we will always look to Christ.

**Our Lady of Peace**, in whom all storms grow still, pray that the Church in Oceania will not cease to show forth the glorious face of your Son, full of grace and truth, so that God will reign in the hearts of the Pacific peoples and they will find peace in the world's true Saviour, today and forever and ever. Amen.

*Cheers and prayers John Craddock SM*



## Rosary Crusade For Life and Faith Sunday 8 December 3pm here in our Church.

The New Zealand government is looking at reforming our Abortion Laws and legalising Euthanasia. In response, a group of lay Catholics have organised this Pro-Life (from conception to natural death) Rosary Crusade to be held on 8th December, the Feast of the immaculate Conception, at 3 pm. "There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that cannot be solved by the prayer of the Holy Rosary" Our Lady of Fatima



**Fit for Mission**  
Consumerism  
only bloats the  
heart. It can offer  
occasional and passing  
pleasures, but NOT JOY.



**Feast of Christ The King Next Sunday 25 November. World map:** We have a World map in the foyer for parishioners to place a pin on their country of origin. At 10am Mass: you are invited to:

- Wear National Costume
- Please bring food to share for morning tea in the Gathering Area.

**Rite II Reconciliation.** Tuesday 27 November at 6.30pm here in our Church. This is the First Reconciliation for the First Communion Programme children. Everyone is welcome to join them. **Please note change of date and earlier time.**

**World Day of the Poor - 18 November.** This Sunday has been designated by Pope Francis as the 2<sup>nd</sup> World Day of the Poor: 'God's answer to the poor is always a saving act that heals wounds of body and soul, restores justice and helps to live life anew in dignity. God's answer is also a summons to those who believe in him to do likewise, within the limits of what is humanly possible. The World Day of the Poor wishes to be a small answer that the Church throughout the world gives to the poor of every kind and in every land, lest they think that their cry has gone unheard. It may well be like a drop of water in the desert of poverty, yet it can serve as a sign of sharing with those in need, and enable them to sense the active presence of a brother or a sister.' Go to [Message for the 2<sup>nd</sup> World Day of the Poor](#) to read the message from Pope Francis.

**Request for Parish Budgets:** The Management and Finance committee is about to commence planning for the next financial year - 1 January to 31 December 2019. Parish groups/areas requiring funding are requested to present a [detailed budget](#). Email [admin@whangareicatholic.org.nz](mailto:admin@whangareicatholic.org.nz) before 30 November 2018. Please give a contact name & address for your group or area.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion.** Are you available to minister at any of our Christmas Masses? There is a list on the table in the foyer (under the Roster). Either email [gpmccarrison@gmail.com](mailto:gpmccarrison@gmail.com) or tick the box for the Mass you are available for. If your name is missing

**Joshua. Come and celebrate** our end of year Thanksgiving Mass on Wednesday 21 November at 7.30pm here in our Church. All men and their families, members of service groups, Scripture/Prayer Groups, and parishioners are warmly welcome to this special Thanksgiving Mass for all of God's blessings upon us this year. There will be prayer and praise before Mass and a shared supper afterwards. A plate would be appreciated.

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:: Acts 16:31** They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household."

## CAROL SERVICES "Get into the true spirit of Christmas"

♦ **Maungakaremea Shared Meal and Carols.** Sunday 2 December at Maungakaremea War Memorial Hall, Maungakaremea. Join us at for a shared meal at 5pm followed by a Carol Service at 7pm.



♦ **Onerahi Combined Carol Service.** Sunday 9 December at 7pm in the Onerahi Community Hall. All welcome.

♦ **Carols at Whangarei Base Hospital.** Wednesday 19 December. Meet in the Chapel at 12 noon. All very welcome to come and spread good cheer.

**Remembrance Cards** The Basket of Remembrance cards is on display till the end of November for people to enter the names of your loved ones who have died. People named, will be remembered at Mass throughout November. Place your remembrance card in the basket in front of the Altar. Blank cards are in the foyer.



**Martha and Mary Group** meet on Friday 7 December at 10am in our Parish Hall for companionship, listening and learning. Enquiries to Joan 435 4012.



**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.

## Youth News, Blaze Youth Group



(secondary age) meet every Friday during term time 7pm-9pm in the Parish Hall. Our Youth Mass is always on the second Sunday of the month at the 6pm Saturday Vigil.

**Flame Group** (ages 7-12 years) next meet on Wednesday 21 November 5.30pm-7pm.



## Society of St Vincent de Paul.

**Parish Food Basket:** Thank you for your continued support. Donations of jelly, tinned peas, tinned sweetcorn and tinned fruit are our greatest need at present.

**Meetings:** Thursdays at Eymard House at 5pm. First Thursday of the month - Prayer and reflection. Third Thursday of the month - usual meeting.

**Christmas Gifts:** We are looking for **unwrapped gifts** for our Christmas parcels for teens and younger children. e.g. cars, balls, blocks, books, body wash, playing cards, hair and nail products. Chocolate and tinned biscuits are always welcome. Donations need to be taken to the Parish Office by Friday 7 December please. Gifts will then be delivered to families.

**Advent Labyrinth Meditation** 2pm - 4pm Wednesday 28 November. Bring a pen and your journal. \$10. For more details, contact Agnes Hermans, [amhermans@xtra.co.nz](mailto:amhermans@xtra.co.nz) phone 4362145 / 027 202 6077.

**Divine Mercy** meet every Friday at 2.30pm in the side Chapel. All are welcome.

**MAORI COMMUNITY - KO NGA PANUI.** Himene practice (2nd & 4th Thursdays) 7pm in the gathering area of the Church. New people most welcome.

**No Choir practice** 19 November.



**Christian Meditation Group** meet every Wednesday in Eymard House at 7.30pm.



It costs \$5,270.24 to run the parish each week. This week we received \$4,814.70 from all collections. Thank you.



Please remember the Parish in your Will