

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 - 7.45am.				<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.					

**Parishioner needed by disabled senior for lawnmowing.** Paid work and equipment available. Safety glasses needed. Phone Bill 438 4047. More information on notice board.

**Shop Smart.** Another Hands on Workshop at Anglican Care Centre, 1 Mill Road. Thursday 25 October 9.30am-1pm. \$5 each. Flyer on notice board. Ph 437 6397 to register.

**St Leo's Catholic School 125th Jubilee.** Sunday 11 November 2018. Celebration of Mass at 11am. We invite any past pupils, families or staff to help us celebrate. Bookings can be made on [www.trybooking.co.nz/LN](http://www.trybooking.co.nz/LN) See facebook page - St Leo's Catholic 125th School Jubilee.

**Prayers please for these people and their families.... and those who are sick and their caregivers especially**, Maryann Rundlett, Fr Tom O'Connor SM.

**Anniversaries:** Violet Maskell, Margaret Emmett, Cyril Breslin.



# St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish

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**TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**21 October 2018 Year B**

**Next Week's Readings: Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time.**  
**Jeremiah 31:7-9; Hebrews 5: 1-6; Mark 10:46-52**

## Mission Impossible

*Mission Impossible* was a TV Programme in my youth. I must be getting old; I can even remember the days before we even had TV.

At the beginning of each episode a Mission was given and the team was chosen accordingly. We heard *"this is your mission if you choose to accept it"*.

The title of the programme reminds us that this mission is impossible for us on our own but we need to work together and most of all we depend on God.

Today is **Mission Sunday**. Jesus has given us a mission and we are all part of the team.

At the moment there is a Synod of Bishops gathered in Rome. The theme of the Synod is **"with the Youth we proclaim the Gospel"**. Rightly, Pope Francis has wanted the youth to have a say in this.

But whether we are young or old we still share in the Mission entrusted to the Church by Jesus and empowered by the Holy Spirit. As Pope Francis says:

*"Never think you have nothing to offer,  
Or that nobody needs you.*

*Many people need you.*


*Think about it! Each of you, think in your heart:*

*Many people need me"*.

Blessings

Fr Chris M s.m.

- ✠ **Thursday 1 November: Solemnity of All Saints.** Mass times: 7am, 12.10pm, 5.30pm.
- ✠ **All Souls Day Friday 2 November:** Mass times: 7am, 12.10pm. You may wish to bring a small remembrance card with names of your loved ones who have died, which can be placed in a basket on the Remembrance Table in the Sanctuary. The basket will remain in the Church throughout November. Blank cards will be available on a table in the foyer from 28 October.
- ✠ **Annual Mass for the Bereaved:** Friday 2 November at 7:30pm in our Church. All welcome. There will be a cup of tea following Mass.
- ✠ **Blessing of Graves:** All are welcome to come on Sunday 4 November at 3pm to Maunu Cemetery for prayers and the blessing of graves. Meet at the entrance.



Fit for Mission. We are overwhelmed by words, by superficial places and by an increasing din, filled not with joy but rather by the discontent of this whose lives have lost meaning.

**Reconciliation**  
Wednesday 24 October at 7.30pm here in our Church.




**Please note:** Monday 22 October being a Public Holiday (Labour Day) Mass will be celebrated at 8am.

**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.

**We thank all those** who donate regularly to the Parish. We use your projected donations to finance the ongoing pastoral care and maintenance of parish facilities. Automatic Payment options are available should anyone want to change from using the envelope or loose collection systems. Contact the Parish Office [admin@whangareicatholic.org.nz](mailto:admin@whangareicatholic.org.nz) or phone 437 7902.  
*Glennis / Marion*

**Mission Sunday.** Today is Mission Sunday. This collection is the major fundraiser for the work of the Pontifical Mission Societies. Please give generously today. For further information, refer to the MissioNZ website: <https://missio.nz/> Leaflets, donation envelopes and Pope Francis's message is available from the foyer. For Outlying Areas, the message is in the suitcase.

**Syro Malabar Catholic Community** cordially invite all parishioners to join them for the annual **Feast of Our Lady of The Rosary** and the Silver Jubilee Celebration (*25th Anniversary of Ordination*) of Fr Joy Thottamkara. Today, Sunday 21 October here in our Church. Mass will be celebrated at 4.30pm. Please see notice board for more information.

**Requiem Mass**  
Requiem Mass for Janet Johnstone will be held on Thursday 25 October at 12 noon here in our Church.

**Bishop's Jubilee Bursaries.** The Bursary is to assist financially those wishing to study theology or religious education at university level and are personally involved in some way in the mission of the Church in the Auckland Diocese. Many parishioners have been helped in their studies since the bursary was inaugurated in the year 2000. The current bursary is for **Semester 1, 2019** and applications close **Thursday 15 November 2018.**


THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another."

**OCIA. If you missed coming last Tuesday come along on Tuesday 23 October at 7pm in the Parish Hall.** A warm welcome is assured.




**Divine Mercy Group** meet every Friday in the Side Chapel from 2.30pm -4pm. All welcome.

**Our Parish Music Director, Paul Sorensen,** has confirmed that he will be retiring from this position after Easter next year. An essential part of Paul's duties as Music Director has been the directing of the Parish Choir who function, apart from the choir's own music presentation, also aims to promote and enhance the overall music life of the parish in accordance with approved liturgical guidelines. We need now to appoint as soon as possible a person to fill the position of Director of the Parish Choir. Persons interested in assuming this role are invited to initially contact Janet, Parish Secretary on 4377902. Paul will be available to assist the new appointee as may be required.



**Catholic Returning Home For Christmas 2018**  
Come and look at your Church as it is today! The Programme starts on Monday 29 October at 7pm in the gathering area of our Church. Enquiries to Parish Office.



**Every Wednesday at 6pm,** the Filipino community pray a Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help in the side Chapel of our Church. All very welcome to join them.

**Society of St Vincent de Paul. Parish Food Basket:**  
Thank you for your continued support. Donations of tinned fruit, tinned sweetcorn, jelly and tinned spaghetti 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.

**The Liturgy Centre in Auckland** have started a column in the Liturgy Magazine called 'Coffee with Mons.' It is the transcript of a short conversation with Monsignor Paul Farmer. In it we discuss a part of the Mass, or something related to it. The first of these conversations covers the Preparation of the Gifts and is on the notice board. If you wish to take a copy home, come to the Parish office during the week and Janet will print a copy for you.


**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 24 October 5.30pm-7pm.

**Christian Meditation Community Day.** Theme: The Journey of Meditation. Saturday 27 October 9.30am -3pm. 733 Owhiwa Rd; Mt Tiger, Old Chapel. Bring your own lunch. Small koha appreciated.  
Ph Michael 436 5663 or email [md1@outlook.co.nz](mailto:md1@outlook.co.nz). Please see flyer on notice board.


**No Choir practice** 22 October.

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

**Auckland Diocese Special Collections.**  
*World Mission Sunday 21 October*  
This money is distributed by the National Missions Office to help in the running expenses of a diocese for 12 months in a



It costs \$5,270.24 to run the parish each week. This week we received \$5,260.40 from all collections. Thank you.



Please remember the Parish in your Will