



# Parish Newsletter Pānui i te Pārihi

Sunday 11 August 2024  
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Parish welcomed Vaita 'Aho with Baptism at the 9.00am Mass St Joseph's Church Sunday 4 August. Pictured above is Vaita with her family. Vaita, may your spiritual journey be blessed always.

**THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY** is a Holy Day of Obligation and celebrated on August 15. It commemorates the belief that Mary, the Mother of Jesus, was taken body and soul into heaven at the end of her earthly life.

Early Christian traditions and writings reference the Assumption, and by the 8th century, it was widely celebrated. The doctrine was formally declared a dogma by Pope Pius XII in 1950. In New Zealand, apart from all Sundays throughout the year, there are two additional Holy Days of Obligation: Christmas and the Feast of the Assumption. People are asked to attend Mass on these days. The Feast of the Assumption is also the Patronal Feast day of New Zealand.

The Assumption of Our Lady continues to be a source of inspiration and devotion for Catholics, encouraging us to look to Mary as a model of faith and a powerful advocate in heaven. Please see the newsletter timetable for all opportunities to attend Mass this Thursday - 15 August.



## Important Dates

**Sunday 11 August**  
First Communion at  
Our Lady Help of  
Christians Church  
10.30am Mass

**Wednesday 14 August**  
Evening Mass  
every Wednesday  
5.30pm  
St Joseph's Church

**Thursday 15 August**  
Feast of the  
Assumption.  
Please see back page  
for Mass times

**Sunday 18 August**  
St Pius X School led  
Mass 9.00am  
St Joseph's Church

**Sunday 25 August**  
First Communion at  
St Joseph's Church  
9.00am Mass

**Sunday 25 August**  
Cultural Youth Mass  
St Joseph's Church  
5.30pm Mass

### OUR NEW PARISH VISION

A COMMUNITY CALLED BY GOD FOR MISSIONAL DISCIPLESHIP  
GATHERED AROUND JESUS CHRIST FED WITH THE EUCHARIST AND  
SENT TO TRANSFORM LIVES EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT

### NEWLY ADDED MASS TIME!

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS  
**5.30PM MASS**  
AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

## MAORI EDUCATION COLLECTION SUNDAY 25 AUGUST

Māori Education is an investment for a vibrant, working, diverse, faith-filled New Zealand and your donation is an investment also.

Successful educational outcomes for young Māori is good for all New Zealanders. We are blessed to host the nation's two Catholic Māori Boarding Schools in our Diocese: Hato Pāora College and St Joseph's Māori Girls' College. In them, staff are successfully bringing about outstanding results in the students they nurture, teach and shape.

It is timely also to thank the many people who support all sorts of families struggling to pay school attendance dues. Often this includes grandparents or retired parishioners who do their bit to help out. Thank you.

Envelopes for this collection will be attached to the newsletter next week. Those who are part of planned giving will have an envelope in their pack. Or alternatively you can donate online, to the parish bank account 02 0630 0288002 03 using your name, Planned giving number if available and Māori Education as the references.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION:** We begin our Annual Marriage Preparation course, Love is a Decision, in August. This is a 90 minute group gathering, 7.00pm to 8.30pm at Our Lady Help of Christians Church on Thursday - 15th, 22nd and 29th August. Those planning to marry within the coming 12 months are welcome to register for this course. To Register, please copy the link <https://cpnp.infoodle.com/f/MarriagePreparationRegistration> or scan the QR code. A hard copy is also from the Parish Office. For further details contact Nicola 021 339 761



**CWL MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING:** Thursday 15 August. We will attend Mass for the Feast of the Assumption, 12.05pm at St Joseph's Church and follow with the General Meeting in St Joseph's Hall Supper Room. Please bring your own lunch. The Guest speaker will be a Co-ordinator from Plunket. Everyone is welcome. Do note parking in the carpark will be at a premium at the Mass.



**CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE ANNUAL BINGO FUNDRAISER:** Saturday 17 August, 1.30pm in the St Joseph's Church Hall. Prizes! Funds raised are for Plunket.



FDMC AIMS Games Football Team Cake Stall after the 9.00am Mass at St Joseph's last Sunday: A big thank you to those who so generously purchased goods, or donated money towards the team's fundraiser. We are grateful for your contributions. Above the team, ready to sell.

# The MASS Series

"Together, let us rediscover the beauty and mystery of the Mass"

Father Young Ngazja



## 1. GLORIA

• **What Happens:** On Sundays (outside of Advent and Lent) and solemnities, the Gloria is sung or recited. The priest or cantor intones the Gloria, and the congregation joins in singing or reciting this hymn of praise.



• **Why We Do It:** We have been asked for God's mercy and acknowledge the forgiveness from our Saviour. So now we are joyfully praising God for such wonderful gift. The Gloria is a hymn of praise that echoes the song of the angels at the birth of Christ. It expresses our joy and gives glory to God. Reference: (GIRM), 53,

## 2. COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

• **What Happens:** The priest prays the Collect, which collects the prayers of all gathered into one. The priest says, "Let us pray," followed by a moment of silence. This is the time that we can think in our mind what we want to pray for during this Mass. The priest on behalf of all the faithful offer our prayers to God then he prays the Collect aloud while the congregation remains silent.

• **Why We Do It:** This prayer sets the theme for the Mass and brings together the intentions of the congregation. It prepares the community for the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Reference: (GIRM), 54.

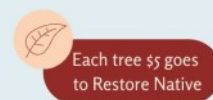


## Help 800 Trust Kiwi Sanctuary

SHGC & Restore Native are raising sponsorship to plant 5000 saplings at 800 Trust Kiwi Sanctuary.



10 trees = \$100



Each tree \$5 goes to Restore Native



Restore Native plants the trees



Each tree \$5 goes to SHGC



Go to [sacredseedlings.raiseit.co.nz/donate](https://sacredseedlings.raiseit.co.nz/donate)



**ROYAL COMMISSION INTO ABUSE IN CARE:**

Recently the Royal Commission into Abuse in Care presented its final report. Church leaders have publicly thanked the Inquiry for the work they have done in preparing this report. The Catholic bishops and congregational leaders acknowledge the Church's history and the ongoing trauma of those who have been harmed. Over the past 30 years, the Catholic Church in Aotearoa has made significant progress in responding to reports of abuse and safeguarding. Our focus on safeguarding and care is informed by the past and aims to ensure that people are safe in care today.

All are encouraged to engage with the work of the Royal Commission via their website <https://www.abuseincare.org.nz/>  
The Church's response has been coordinated by Te Rop Tautoko - visit their website <https://tautoko.catholic.org.nz/>

The Church takes all complaints of abuse seriously. Complaints against church personnel in New Zealand are referred to the Church's National Office for Professional Standards (NOPS). Increased public discussion, such as with the Inquiry, can be the catalyst for people to come forward. We encourage anyone who has been abused by a priest or a religious to contact NOPS, for your story to be heard and your complaint to be investigated. Alternately you may choose to go directly to the Police, and the Church will support anyone who requires assistance to do this.

Email: prof. [standards@nzcbc.org.nz](mailto:standards@nzcbc.org.nz) Phone 0800114622

Web: <https://safeguarding.catholic.org.nz/>



Pictured above: The community joins together after Mass for soup and buns. The Bell Block Mass Centre celebrates Mass at 10.30am on the First Sunday of the month, and Liturgy of the Word with Communion on the third Sunday. Come along! Everyone is welcome at this Mass.

**We pray for our deceased family and friends:** Kate Crook, Tillie Fleming, Alex Dias, Adam Jasionowicz, deceased members of the Lobo, Dias and Fernandes Families, Andrea Dravitzki, Bernadette Garcia, Denis Garcia, Doris Fabish, Maureen McCalman, Marie Hickey, Noeline Goodin and Margaret Baldwin.

**BE PART OF SHAPING THE FUTURE OF THE YOUTH IN OUR PARISH!**

FRIDAY, 31 AUGUST 2024 TO SUNDAY, 1 SEPTEMBER 2024

Looking for parents and adults who are keen on assisting youth in enhancing their relationship with Jesus to participate in a convention.

This convention is for **EVERYONE**



This is an excellent opportunity for you to connect and network with other parishes and youth ministers around the country.

**WE NEED YOU!**

You play a vital role in shaping and impacting the lives of teenagers in our parish.

Contact me at [YOUTH@CATHOLICPARISHNP.NZ](mailto:YOUTH@CATHOLICPARISHNP.NZ)

**WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ILLUMIN 8**  
**YOUTH GROUP**  
LIFE TEEN  
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

**WE MEET ON SUNDAY DURING THE SCHOOL TERM**  
SHINE Junior Youth Group | Year 4 - 8  
Time: 4:00pm - 5:00pm  
LIFE TEEN Youth Group | Year 9 - 13  
Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm  
VENUE: ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH HALL!

**THIS WEEKEND YOUTH GROUP**  
SUNDAY, 11 AUGUST 2024  
**PARALLEL UNIVERSE**  
Grace is available to everyone, but we have to respond to it, and Mass is the profound place to encounter God's grace.

**NEXT YOUTH GROUP**  
SUNDAY, 18 AUGUST 2024  
**ANOTHER DIMENSION**  
Before entering the Church for Mass, stop at the front doors and say a quick prayer. You are about to enter into something bigger than you can ever comprehend.

**SUNDAY, 25 AUGUST 2024**  
**CULTURAL YOUTH MASS**  
5:30 PM  
ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH  
**SAVE THE DATE**

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**LIFE TEEN SUMMER CAMP 2025**  
Tuesday, 14 January - Friday, 18 January @ Hamilton

"Dear young people, make the most of these years of your youth. Give yourselves over to the best of life!"

CHRISTUS VIVIT (CHRIST IS ALIVE) - PARAGRAPH 143 - POPE FRANCIS



Aug	WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH	
12 MON	8.00am	St Joseph's Church
13 TUES	8.00am	St Joseph's Church
	9.10am	Our Lady Help of Christians Church
	12.05pm	St Joseph's Church
14 WED	8.00am	St Joseph's Church
	9.10am	Our Lady Help of Christians Church
	5.30pm	St Joseph's Church
<b>FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION (HOLY DAY)</b>		
15 THU	8.00am	St Joseph's Church
	9.10am	Our Lady Help of Christians (Mass with St John Bosco School)
	10.00am	St Joseph's Church, Founders Day Mass with Sacred Heart Girls College (No Mass today at SHGC)
	12.05pm	St Joseph's Church
	5.30pm	No Mass today at Francis Douglas Memorial College Our Lady Help of Christians Church
16 FRI	8.00am	St Joseph's Church
	12.05pm	St Joseph's Church
17 SAT	8.30am	St Joseph's Church
	5.30pm	Our Lady Help of Christians
	6.00pm	St Patrick's Church Okato
18 SUN	9.00am	St Joseph's Church (St Pius X school led Mass)
	10.30am	Our Lady Help of Christians Church
	10.30am	Bell Block Mass Centre Liturgy of the Word with Communion
	5.30pm	St Joseph's Church

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays 11.30am to 12 noon at St Joseph's Church OR 4.45pm at OLHC prior to the 5.30pm Vigil Mass. Reconciliation is also available by appointment with the priests. (Phone the Parish Office 757 3682)

**MORNING PRAYER:** Morning Prayer recommences in August. Exact date to be announced.

**KINGDOM KIDZ CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

Our Lady Help of Christians Church: Each Sunday at OLHC 10.30am Mass. A special Children's Liturgy in the St John Bosco School breakout space. St Joseph's Church at 9.00am Mass in the church foyer.



**LITTLE ANGELS MUSIC AND PLAY**

**GROUP FOR PRESCHOOLERS:** Music, play and morning tea. Our Lady Help of Christians Church foyer from 9.00am. Each Monday during term time. For any enquiries, please phone the Parish Office.



**WORSHIP AND MUSIC:**

Each Monday at St Joseph's Church - 11.00am to 11.30am  
Each Friday at Our Lady Help of Christians Church - 2.15pm to 2.45pm

**MUSIC AND MOVEMENT:**

St Joseph's Church Hall - Wednesday's 11.30am

**SUNDAY READINGS FOR NEXT**

**SUNDAY MASS:** 18 August 2024

20th Sunday in Ordinary time

**1ST READING:** Proverbs 9.1-6

**PSALM:** 34

**2ND READING:** Ephesians 5.15-20

**GOSPEL:** John 6.51-58

**OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH**

Tuesday

9:35am to 10:30am  
(after 9:10am Mass)

First Sunday of the month  
3:00pm - 4:00pm

**BELL BLOCK CATHOLIC CENTRE**

First Friday of the month  
4.00pm - 5.00pm

**ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH**

Every Thursday  
7:00pm - 8:00pm

**HOLY HOUR**

God dwells in our midst  
in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar  
St. Maximilian Kolbe

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

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**OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS**

24 Clinton St, Fitzroy

**BELL BLOCK CATHOLIC CENTRE**

138 Parklands Ave  
Bell Block

**ST PATRICK'S OKATO**

36 Cumming St  
Okato

*This time with the correct date and venue  
determined...*

*My apologies for the earlier incorrect date and thank you to those of you that  
took the trouble of letting me know... Gordon Hudson... Ed.*

*You are warmly invited to attend a free public forum on...*



## *Elder Abuse*

*Sadly, an increasing issue ...*

*This forum will be held on Thursday 15th August, 9.30 – 11am  
at the NPDC Debating Chamber*

*Wonderful presenters*

*Do come along and hear what those responsible for assisting those  
needing elder abuse services in Taranaki.*

**There will NOT be a free shuttle bus** from the TSB Stadium at the Racecourse and returning after the meeting.

There will be coffee and tea available.

This is a free public forum. There is no need to register.

Sponsored by ...

**Positive Ageing NP, Age Concern Taranaki and Grey Power.**



**Grey Power**  
158 Tukapa St.  
06 757 5885

*and - of course - the New Plymouth District Council.*