

# Parish Newsletter Pānui i te Pārihi

Sunday, 20 October 2024 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time MISSION SUNDAY









## Older Children's Baptism

Preparation at 4.00pm & Anointing Mass at 5:30pm (Youth Mass) St Joseph's Church

**Important** 

Dates

Sunday, 27 October

Friday, 1 November All Saints Day

Saturday, 2 November All Souls Day

Sunday, 3 November Older Children's Baptism Celebration at 1.30pm at St Joseph's Church Hall

## **MISSION SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER 2024**

GO AND INVITE EVERYONE TO THE **BANQUET (MT 22:9)** 

Pope Francis' message for World Mission Day 2024 centres on the parable of the wedding banquet (Mt 22:1-14). In the story, after his original guests refuse the invitation, the king tells his servants to go



to the streets and invite everyone to the feast (Mt 22:9). The Pope reflects on this passage, relating it to the Church's mission of evangelisation and the ongoing synodal journey, emphasising the Church's focus on communion, participation, and mission.

#### MISSION: GO AND INVITE

The Pope highlights two essential elements of mission: "going out" and "inviting." Just as the king's servants were sent out to invite guests, the Church is called to go out to the world, tirelessly spreading the message of God's love. Pope Francis thanks missionaries who have dedicated their lives to this call, reminding every Christian that they too are part of this universal mission. Evangelisation should be done with joy, kindness, and respect, not through pressure or coercion, reflecting God's own compassion.

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**IT'S 5 WEEKS TO GO TO OPEN HOUSE** 







### **PARISH NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

To include articles in the newsletter,

email your material to office@catholicparishn p.nz by TUESDAY at 3pm.

Late submissions will be considered for the next issue.

Parish and diocese news will be prioritised.

**Parish Office** 

**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

#### **BEREAVEMENT LITURGY**

On Saturday, 9 November at 10.00am, St Joseph's Church, we will remember our loved ones who passed away during 2023.

If you had any family members or friends, who died during 2023, whose burial records we may not have and you wish to remember them in this liturgy, please contact the Parish Office, and they will be prayed for.

Please feel welcome to bring a photo of your loved one and a flower or flowers from your garden. All family members of the deceased and all parishioners are most welcome to join us.

Please phone or visit us at the

Parish Office if you have any queries.



#### **CONCLUDING RITES**

#### **BLESSING**

What Happens: The priest gives a final blessing. The priest says, "The Lord be with you," and the congregation responds, "And with your spirit." The priest then gives the blessing, often making the sign of the cross. Why We Do It: The final blessing sends the congregation forth with God's grace and peace, reminding them to live out their faith in their daily lives.

#### **DISMISSAL**

What Happens: The deacon or priest dismisses the congregation. The deacon or priest says, "Go in peace," or a similar dismissal, and the congregation responds, "Thanks be to God."

Why We Do It: The dismissal sends the faithful out into the world to live the Gospel. It emphasizes the mission of the Church to spread the Good News and serve others.

#### **RECESSIONAL**

**What Happens**: The priest, deacon, and altar servers process out of the church while a hymn is sung. The congregation stands and sings the recessional hymn as the procession moves down the aisle.

Why We Do It: The recessional signifies the end of the Mass and the beginning of the congregation's mission to live out their faith in their daily lives. Source: (GIRM), 90-94.

#### **NOVEMBER MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS**

During November, many Masses celebrated in the parish, will be prayed for our dead brothers and sisters who as yet do not enjoy God's love and joy.

Our Book of the Deceased and the Remembrance Box will be placed in the sanctuary near the altar at St Joseph's or the basket near the altar at OLHC. You can express your love by making a list of your beloved dead and placing it in the Remembrance Box. No money is required to be left.

If you would like names of deceased to be recorded in the Memorial Book please contact the Parish Office.

## ANNUAL MASS TO CELEBRATE JUBILEES OF PRIESTLY ORDINATION

Everyone is invited to the Mass which will be celebrated on Tuesday, 29 October at 12.05pm in the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Palmerston North, with Bishop John Adams presiding.

Those celebrating Jubilees this year are:

- Deacon Danny Karatea (10 years)
- Fr Barry Scannell SM (30 years)
- Fr Percy Kimble SM (50 years)
- Fr Nicho Verkley OCSO (50 years)
- Bishop Owen Dolan (70 years)

Congratulations and blessings to all our Jubilarians!





### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help with our upcoming parish event. Your time and effort can make a huge impact on our parish community. If you're interested in lending a hand, please sign up at the church office or email office@catholicparishnp.nz with your contact information.

#### THE WEDDING BANQUET: ESCHATOLOGICAL AND EUCHARISTIC DIMENSIONS

The banquet in the parable symbolises the eschatological feast of salvation, which is fulfilled through Jesus Christ. Pope Francis emphasises that evangelisation is closely tied to the Eucharist, which anticipates the final banquet in God's Kingdom. Every Eucharistic celebration draws the faithful into God's mission, renewing their zeal for spreading the Gospel. The Pope calls for a deeper appreciation of the Eucharist's eschatological and missionary aspects and encourages prayer for the Church's mission as part of the preparation for the Jubilee of 2025.

#### A UNIVERSAL MISSION FOR ALL

The invitation to God's banquet is universal, open to all people, regardless of their social or moral status. Pope Francis stresses that the mission of the Church is for everyone and should reflect the inclusivity of God's love. He calls for a more synodal and missionary Church, where every Christian is engaged in spreading the Gospel. The Pope also reminds the faithful of the importance of supporting the Pontifical Mission Societies, which ensure that resources are distributed to missions worldwide.

#### CONCLUSION

Pope Francis concludes by looking to Mary, who played a role in Jesus' first miracle at the wedding in Cana. He asks for her intercession in guiding the Church to become more missionary and synodal as it continues to share God's abundant grace with the world.

#### **DISCOVERY**

#### **Retreat Exploring Faith**

Friday, 6 Dec 2024 | 6pm to 9pm Saturday, 7 Dec 2024 | 8:30am to 3pm At St Joseph's Church Hall. This retreat is for years 9 – 13 students.



On October 12, we celebrated the memory of Blessed Carlo Acutis who was only 15 years old when he passed away after a serious illness. This young Apostle of the Eucharist convinces us that anyone can become a saint if they live in constant intimacy with the Lord God. He said and lived by - "Mary is the



only woman in my life. By abiding before Jesus in the Eucharist, we become saints. There are people who suffer much more than I do. I offer all the suffering I will have to the Lord, the Pope and the Church. Constantly ask your guardian angel for help. Your guardian angel is your best friend. Do not be afraid, because with the incarnation of Jesus, death becomes life and there is no need to escape. In eternal life something extraordinary awaits us. Jerusalem is just around the corner. All people are born as originals, but many die as photocopies. Happiness is looking at God, sadness is looking at yourself. Criticizing the Church means criticizing yourself! The Church is the steward of treasures for our salvation. The only thing we should ask God for in prayer is the desire to be holy. Sorrow is a gaze turned toward oneself. Happiness is a gaze turned toward God. I am happy to die because I have lived my life without wasting a minute on things that do not please God."



Give yourselves over to the best of life!"
CHRISTUS VIVIT (CHRIST IS ALIVE) - PARAGRAPH 143 - POPE FRANCIS



## We pray for our deceased family and friends:

Joan Bell; Jennifer Mallon; Mary and Ted Barrett

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

OCT		WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
21 MON	8.00am	St Joseph's Church
22 TUES	8.00am 9.10am 12.05pm	St Joseph's Church Our Lady Help of Christians Church St Joseph's Church
23 WED	8.00am 9.10am 5.30pm	St Joseph's Church Our Lady Help of Christians Church St Joseph's Church
<b>24</b> THU	8.00am 9.50am 2.20pm	St Joseph's Church Sacred Heart Girls College—St Mary's Chapel Francis Douglas Memorial College—Chapel
<b>25</b> FRI	8.00am 12.05pm	St Joseph's Church St Joseph's Church
<b>26</b> SAT	8.30am 5.30pm 6.00pm	St Joseph's Church Our Lady Help of Christians St Patrick's Church Okato
27 SUN	9.00am 10.30am 5.30pm	St Joseph's Church Our Lady Help of Christians Church St Joseph's Church (Youth Mass)

#### 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 at a date in October.

### KINGDOM KIDZ CHILDREN'S LITURGY **Our Lady Help of Christians Church:**

Each Sunday at 10.30am Mass. A special Children's Liturgy in the St John Bosco School breakout space.



#### St Joseph's Church:

Each Sunday at 9.00am Mass in the church fover.

#### 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.

### SUNDAY READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

27 October 2024 Mission Sunday 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**1ST READING:** Jeremiah 31.7-9

**PSALM:** 126

2ND READING: Hebrews 5.1-6

**GOSPEL:** Mark 10.46-52



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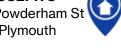
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#### **TEMPORARY OFFICE HOURS**

Monday – Friday 10.00am – 1.00pm Any enquires, please email us at office@catholicparishnp.nz

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106 Powderham St **New Plymouth** 



### **OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS**

24 Clinton St, Fitzroy

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