

Parish Newsletter Pānui i te Pārihi

Sunday, 27 October 2024 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time





WEEKS TO GO

Whanaungatanga and Aroha! The Holy Spirit was truly amongst us at our wonderful Potluck Parish Dinner

A huge thank you to all who contributed in any way to our very successful evening. The delicious food donated by all who attended and others who contributed, the hospitality team in the kitchen, those who took the time to set up and clear away, the IT and music management, are just some of the ingredients that made this a fabulous Parish gathering.

(aka The Parish AGM) earlier this month.



As over 100 of us had arrived to share kai and hear about our current Parish life we needed to relocate the entire evening to the main hall. Duncan started us off with a fun guiz and raffle with a wide selection of prizes and the laughter and energy in the room was high!



We were then introduced to members from some of the key groups involved in the running of our Parish, such as the Parish Pastoral Council, the Leadership Team, Finance Team and Ministries Team.

The evening then settled into the 'formal' part and Mary-Elizabeth our MC started off with presenting the Chair's report on behalf of Kevin Kerr who was unable to attend. We listened to updates from Susilo, Karen, and Amelia, representing Youth, Young Families and Music and were inspired by the amazing developments over the past year. Colin gave us an overview of our financial status and an update on the appointment of Jenny who will coordinate our fundraising programme for our new Parish Centre. Many enjoyed watching the Fly-through Video for the first time.

Fr. Simon then concluded this part of the evening with an update on our spiritual health, how we continue to grow on our faith journey together, and we are all supporting our Parish Vision. He also reminded us of the exciting Open House event that we are hosting later next month. Note the 22nd-23rd of November on your calendar.

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Important Dates

Monday, 28 October

Syro Malabar Mass (in Malayalam language) Rosarv and outdoor Procession at St Joseph's Church 5.00pm

Thursday, 31 October

Mass & Rosary 7.00pm at St Joseph's Church to mark the end of the month of the Rosarv

There will be no Adoration that evening.

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

Sunday, 3 November Fun fair

St Joseph's School Calvert Road 11.00am to 2.00pm

Saturday 9 November

Bereavement Liturgy 10.00am St Joseph's Church

PLEASE CHECK THE **WEEKLY MASS TIMES ON** THE BACK PAGE. AS OUR PRIESTS ARE IN PALMER-STON NORTH ON TUES-DAY AND WEDNESDAY IN THE COMING WEEK. SO, THERE ARE CHANGES.

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.

RCIA

On 13 October, we celebrated the Reception of Judy Monk into the Catholic Church. Judy's faith journey could be described as finding a 'spiritual home'. In responding to the Holy



Spirit's prompting, Judy experienced Alpha hosted by Bell Block Catholic community in 2023 and participated in the parish's RCIA process later that year.

In November, 10 candidates after completing the RCIA Inquiry phase, will be presented to parish. Please continue to pray for these candidates as they explore and discern a relationship with Jesus.

CWL COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday, 1 November Committee Meeting at **10.30am** in St Joseph's Church foyer.



CWL FIRST FRIDAY LUNCH

Friday, 1 November, after the 12.05pm Mass at St Joseph's. CWL offer a delicious lunch. Plated sandwiches and cakes with tea or coffee for just \$7, and this also includes a raffle ticket! This is a fundraising activity for the CWL, so the more lunch guests there are, the more CWL can help others. Go to the CWL website to see CWL nationwide work www.cwl.org.nz

Thursday, 21 November, CWL are travelling with their annual bus trip to the Kaponga Swiss club for lunch and a concert. Any parishioners who are interested in joining in for this trip please contact Moira 06 7572 986 by 1st November for more details.

MARIAN MOTHERS MEETING

Our next Marian Mother's Meeting will be held at Our Lady Help of Christians Church foyer, 24 Clinton Street, Fitzroy. It will be on 14 November, 7pm to 8.30pm. Please come and join in prayer and a cuppa. Please bring a small sharing plate. Any queries please contact Pauline 0277172457.

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.

28 OCTOBER | CELEBRATING "MOTHER MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN"

You all are invited to Mass on 28 October at 5.00pm (Mass in Malayalam language). October, the month of the Rosary, holds a special place in the hearts of the Catholic community. Syro-Malabar community honours our Mother of God on 28 October. After the Syro-Malabar Mass, our children, all dressed up as Mary, will present various titles of her, each reflecting her profound virtues and divine grace. This will then be followed by a holy Rosary and procession. As we recite the Rosary and meditate on these titles, let us deepen our devotion and seek her guidance in our daily lives. May this celebration bring us closer to Mary and inspire us to live with faith, hope, and charity.

ANOINTING MASS

The monthly Mass of Anointing will be held at **11.00am** next **Saturday, 2 November** at St Joseph's Church. Everyone is welcome.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS

Each year the Columban Mission Society issues the Columban Art Calendar. This is a tradition that has lasted over 100 years. The calendar containing examples of religious art on each page, also highlights the liturgical events throughout the year. Calendars are again \$12.00, no price increase and are available from the



Parish Office. These calendars make a good gift and can be a daily reminder of our Catholic faith.

HEAVENLY HOMES

A major fundraiser for St Pius X School. Heavenly home is a fabulous day of baubles, tinsel and Christmas fun for the grown-ups.

It's your chance to visit a selection of New Plymouth homes specially decorated for the holiday season, as well as our special Festive Fair at St Philomena Hall, Brooklands



Rd. 2024 is our sixth Heavenly Homes event and we would love to have you along to enjoy and support our event. Tickets are \$35 + booking fee at www.iticket.co.nz or you can buy one from the St Pius X School Office or The Christmas Village.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – FLOWERS

We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help with our upcoming parish event. This week we are focusing on looking for those who can volunteer with flowers from their garden. We want to make posies and floral arrangements using garden flowers for Open House. Parishioners who are willing to share what they may have in their gardens late November please call or email the Parish Office. We will collect and can pick. I don't think we can have too many flowers, so please don't hesitate to call us. Thank you for your support!

The 17 Oct was the Feast of St Ignatius of Antioch who was a convert from paganism to Christianity. Succeeded Saint Peter the Apostle as Bishop of Antioch, Syria. During the persecution of Trajan, he was ordered to be taken to Rome to be killed by wild ani-



mals. On the way, a journey which took months, he wrote a series of encouraging letters to the churches under his First writer to use the term the "Catholic" care. Church. Martyr. Apostolic Father. His name occurs in the "Nobis guoque peccatoribus" in the Canon of the Mass. He was thrown to wild animals c.107 at Rome. Italy. His relics are at Saint Peter's Basilica, Rome



NUI & PAST PUPILS OF SISTERS OF ST JOSEPH (TARANAKI BRANCH)

A Pot-luck luncheon will be held at the Stratford Parish Centre, next to the Church, Sunday, 10 November 2024 12 noon. For those interested, please bring an item for Foodbank instead of a gift this year. RSVP and any enguires, please phone Linda Whittington 0274535891 or Colleen Moore 0272307589,.

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Peter then closed the presentations with a thoughtful final prayer and included a touching remembrance of Parihaka as we approach the anniversary.

Everyone then mixed and mingled over dessert, we had more raffles and spot prizes and after lots of farewells and promises of keeping in touch the sun set on a successful Parish AGM, by our Parish for our Parish. Thank vou!





WE MEET ON SUNDAY DURING THE SCHOOL TERM AT ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH HALL

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP



SENIOR YOUTH GROUP **Year 9 - 13** 6.30pm - 8.30pm



SUNDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2024

It's time for a barbecue and a laid-back evening! You're welcome to bring along some card or board games, or simply come to enjoy each other's company!



NO YOUTH GROUP SUNDAY, 3 NOVEMBER 2024

Youth Group resumes on Sunday, 10 November 2024



"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



We pray for our deceased family and friends:

Benedicta Saldanha, Dorothy Finnigan, Greta Fabish, Geraldine Bourke, Ursula Schafer, Peter Patten Geo and Jim Flemingn and Don Hiestand.

OCT 28		WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
MON	8.30am	St Joseph's Church (<u>Labour Day</u>)
29 TUES	8.00am 9.10am 12.05pm	St Joseph's Church Liturgy of the Word with Communion Our Lady Help of Christians Liturgy of the Word with Communion St Joseph's Church Liturgy of the Word with Communion
30 WED	8.00am 9.10am 5.30pm	St Joseph's Church Liturgy of the Word with Communion Our Lady Help of Christians Liturgy of the Word with Communion No Wednesday evening Mass this week
31 THU	8.00am 2.20pm 7.00pm	St Joseph's Church Francis Douglas Memorial College—Chapel Mass and Rosary at St Joseph's Church (marking the end of the month of the Rosary
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1 FRI	8.00am 12.05pm	St Joseph's Church St Joseph's Church
2 SAT	8.30am 11.00am 5.30pm 6.00pm	St Joseph's Church St Joseph's Church Anointing Mass - All Welcome Our Lady Help of Christians St Patrick's Church Okato
3 SUN	9.00am 10.30am 10.30am 5.30pm	St Joseph's Church Our Lady Help of Christians Church Bell Block Catholic Centre (Mass) 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

Monday 8.10am 28 October, Tuesday 7.40am and Saturday at 8.10am. Please go to the back door of Parish Office building. We are in the Mary Mckillop Room.

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 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.

SUNDAY READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

3 November 2024

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

1ST READING: Deuteronomy 6.2-6

PSALM: 18

2ND READING: Hebrews 7.23-28

GOSPEL: Mark 12.28-34

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH Tuesday HOLY HOUR 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 EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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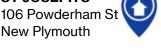
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New Plymouth



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