



Parish Newsletter

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Catholic Parish of New Plymouth

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 14th November 2021

SHGC 1st Communicants:

Congratulations to the five girls who made their 1st Holy Communion on the 4th of November at Our Lady Help of Christians.

They are: (Left to right) Libby Francis, Isla Robinson, Milla Croy, Kate McQuaig, Michelle Hurley



FROM POPE FRANCIS

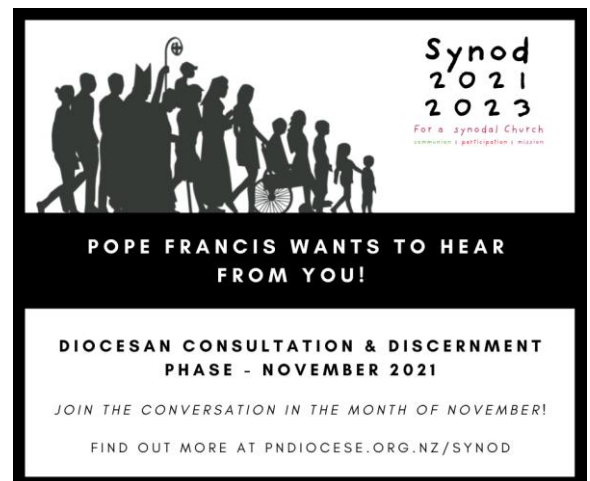
The Catholic Parish of New Plymouth is planning to hold two public consultations for the Synod...

Sunday 21st November - 4pm

Sunday 28th November - 4pm

Where: St Joseph's Hall, Devon Street West.

- Participants are all invited to read the Preparatory Document before the event. View this online.
- The Ignatian discernment process will be explained.
- Everyone will be invited to join a labelled table according to the themed questions that they are interested in.
- A facilitator at each table will lead the group through the discernment process to explore the discerned response to the questions provided.
- Everyone is welcome to attend.



You may already belong to a group that will hold a discerned response to the synod questions?

Individuals can also respond online through the link in the Palmerston North diocesan synodal website. However, a group discernment is the preferred response method.

Father Simon Story – Parish Priest

Vision Statement: The Catholic Parish of New Plymouth is a healthy and growing Eucharistic faith community that brings people to Christ, forms disciples, and sends them out to transform the world. We commit to worship, to grow, to serve, to connect, and to give.

COLLECTIONS/DONATIONS

7th November 2021

CTF \$ 390.56

Parish \$ 1055.95

If you wish to make a DONATION to the parish but you have NO CASH? No problem. We have PayWave located in the church foyers.

OPTIONS FOR PLANNED GIVING:

- Cash in your planned giving envelope.
- Set up an automatic payment at your bank or use internet banking. Please contact the Parish Office for the bank account number and reference details.
- You can pay via the Parish APP or website - Tax deductible receipts are automatically sent to your email address after each individual donation.

Bequests are also an important part of Christian Giving and leaving a gift to the Parish in your Will is an additional way to support your Church.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION & CELEBRATION

OLDER CHILDREN'S BAPTISM 2021: The Baptisms will take place on the 21st and 28th November. Any questions please contact Michelle, youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): This has begun and will culminate at Easter. Please pray for our candidates Any enquiries can be made at the Parish Office.

GENERAL NOTICES

THE ANNUAL SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS SPECIAL COLLECTION - SUNDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2021: The Clergy Trust Fund provides for the well-being and care of priests in the Diocese. This includes stipends, food, travel home for overseas priests, retreats and all costs relating to healthcare. The Clergy Trust Fund is struggling to meet growing medical costs. Hence, your giving to this special collection is most appreciative especially by our elderly priests who then benefit from your generosity. Your support is a great way of showing your gratitude to your priests. Many thanks and blessings to all who contribute to this special collection. Every contribution helps. Mons Brian Walsh, Vicar General.

NB. Envelopes will be available with the newsletters next week. Or donate to this cause via the Parish APP.



CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE
annual bus trip - Thursday 18th November. The bus will leave at 1030. Meet at St Joseph's car park 10.15am. Anyone interested in joining us please ring Moira Webb, 7572986 by Monday 15th.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS: are available from the Parish Office, \$12.00. The Columban Art Calendar is a lovely tradition to hang in the home. Perfect as that small Christmas gift. (Some parents buy a Columban calendar for each of their children every year).

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION: ST JOSEPH'S CONFERENCE OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL: St Vincent de Paul is asking for donations of toiletry items to give as Christmas gifts to people in need. Items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, soaps, deodorants, moisturisers, suntan lotion, hand wash, shampoo and conditioners are very much in the luxury category for many people. For the next three Sundays a basket for donations, will be left at the entrance door to Sunday Masses at St Joseph's .

BROWN PAPER SHOPPING BAGS REQUIRED: St Vincent de Paul needs brown paper or fabric shopping bags with handles for Whare Kai – family meal cooking sessions, for Mums in the Marfell Area. All the ingredients for a family meal are packed into these bags, along with the recipe – just like a My Food Bag delivery. If you have bags to donate to us, please phone Gabrielle 758 9228

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL: OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CONFERENCE will hold a meeting at St. Vincent De Paul shop at 4.30 pm tomorrow (Monday 15th). Anyone interested in the work of the Conference is most welcome to attend.

RITE OF ELECTION – 13 March 2022 - 9.30am - Cathedral of the Holy Spirit. Please join our Diocese of Palmerston North catechumens as they are called forward for anointing and the signing of the Book of the Elect as they are recognised for their continuing journey towards Full Communion. Hospitality is provided and we look forward to welcoming you on the 13 March 2022.

NOVEMBER MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: Our Book of the Deceased and the Remembrance Box will be placed in the sanctuary near the altar at St Joseph's and the Remembrance Box will be 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 the deceased to be recorded in the Memorial Book, please contact the Parish Office

YOUTH MINISTER: We welcome back Rain, who has been on leave due to a concussion she received during the lockdown. Rain will be at the office on a part-time basis until she has fully recovered. Thank you for your prayers.

LIFETEEN SUMMER CAMP: In January 2022, our youth will be participating in LifeTeen Summer Camp at Hamilton. At this camp, high school teenagers are able to be free and confident in themselves to develop new friendships with other young people from various parishes, and encounter God working in their lives.

On the 11th December at 6.30pm, our youth will be hosting a fundraising Music Concert for this camp. Entry is by ticket only. Please contact Father Vui or Rain on youth@catholicparishnp.nz OR vui@catholicparishnp.nz if you want a ticket.

If you would like to make a donation to the Lifeteen Summer Camp registration fees, you can do so via the Parish APP – or please contact the parish office for details on how to direct credit the bank account.

MISSING DATA PROJECTOR REMOTE – The white Epsom remote for the projector in the supper room is missing. Please check your handbag.



Also missing is the **spare data projector**. It is an older Belkin model and is possibly in a black case. Please contact the Parish Office 06 757 3682

OLHC – VOLUNTEER CLEANER: Only 30 mins on a Monday morning is all we need - contact the office.

PARISH APP

Step 1: **Text CPNPAPP to 818** to download!

Step 2: Select what groups you want to 'follow' ie. Alpha

Step 3: Set up your profile

Contact the Parish office if you need assistance to download.



▲ HEALTH & SAFETY

COVID-19 ALERT LEVEL TWO:

Holy Communion is to be received, only on the hand. Ministers and priests are not free to place the host on people's tongues.

CAPACITY AT MASSES: The 9am and 5.30pm Sunday Masses are reaching the maximum capacity of 100 attendees.

The 10.30am at St Joseph's and OLHC; 9am OLHC and the 5.30pm Vigil at St Joseph's have plenty of room to accommodate more people.

Please consider attending an alternative Mass time to ensure we keep within the Health Ministry's Level 2 recommendations, or you risk being turned away.

NB. Up to 21 people have been turned away from the 5.30pm Mass at St Joseph's.

PARISH SMALL GROUPS

'LYFE' group

LYFE will help individuals and small groups discover a deeper life with God. Based around six key spiritual formation themes including prayer, social justice and the Bible, the sessions are easy to lead and highly relational. LYFE is suitable for Christians at any point on their faith journey. To find out more about LYFE head to <https://biblesociety.org.nz/discover-the-bible/lyfe/>.

- **Tuesday 7.30pm to 8.45pm via zoom** - See Parish website for Zoom Link

'Unpacking the Mass'

Searching for new insights or like to understand the Mass? Desiring to enter more deeply into mystery of the Mass? If so, come and be part of the 'Unpacking the Mass' small groups to delve into various elements of the Mass and reflect on Sunday Gospel reading. Check out Elements of the Mass online series @ <https://www.elementsofthecatholicmass.com/>

- **Tuesday 10:15 to 11:30am @ Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Fitzroy NB. not Tues 9th Nov.**
- **Wednesday, 8:00 to 9:15pm Zoom meeting**, Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86061602157>

Sunday Gospel reflection

You are welcome to explore Faith, life & meaning, through 'conversations' in response to the Sunday Gospel reading.

- Monday, 9:45 to 11:00am @ St Joseph's supper room.
- Thursday, 1:30pm to 2:45pm @ a Fitzroy private residence.

For the address, call Albert @ 027 2255 433

We pray for our deceased family and friends:

Dither Joshua Talban, Trevor Knuckey, Don Hiestand, John Edwards, Leo Fleming, Terry Culpan, Marie McEwan, Judith Knuckey & Family and the Stevens, Nallon and Clark Families.

Mass Timetable 15th November – 21st November 2021

	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
St Joseph's Church	8.00am	8am 12.05pm	8am	8am	8am	8.30am 5.30pm Vigil	9am 10.30am 5.30pm
Our Lady Help of Christians		9.10am	9.10am	9.10am	12.05pm	5.30pm Vigil	9am 10.30am
St Patrick's Okato						6pm Vigil	
Bell Block							10.30am C/S
Our Lady Star of the Sea - Opunake							10am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: 4.45pm at OLHC prior to vigil Mass OR 11.30am St Joseph's Saturday

WEEKLY

MORNING PRAYER – Mon/Tues/Fri – 7.40am AND Saturday's 8.10am – Parish Office back room.

ADORATION – Wednesdays after 9.10am Mass at OLHC and 5.30pm at St Joseph's Church

INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP Tuesdays - 1.00pm in the Red-Carpet Room at St Joseph's Hall.

NIGHT PRAYER via zoom - Please join Father Vui and parishioners to pray the Liturgy of the Hours (Night Prayer) via ZOOM at 8:30pm every Friday: See website for link.

MONTHLY

HOSPITAL MASS – 1st Saturday of month

CHRISTOPHER LUKE ORGAN RECITAL – 16th December at St Joseph's Church – Entry by Koha for St Vincent de Paul Society.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE – 1st Friday luncheon, after 12.05pm Mass at OLHC

JUBILEES OF ORDINATION 2021

The annual diocesan Mass to celebrate the priestly ordinations will be celebrated at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Palmerston North, on Tuesday 30th November at 12.05 pm.

The Jubilarians this year are:

Bishop Peter Cullinane (60 years, 23/12/1961),
Fr. David Moore SM (60 years, 6/7/1961),
Fr. Marcus Francis (20 years, 24/2/2001),
Fr. Manoj Mathew IC (10 years, 6/10/2011).

Parishioners, guests, and friends are welcome to attend. Besides the 100 allowed in the Cathedral there will be provision for overflow.

Because of Covid 19 restrictions this year we are not able to have hospitality in the Cathedral gathering area after the Jubilee Mass.

MINISTRY TEAM:

Priests: *Simon Story, Vui Hoang & Tom Lawn*

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