



Parish Newsletter

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Catholic Parish of New Plymouth

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 17th October 2021

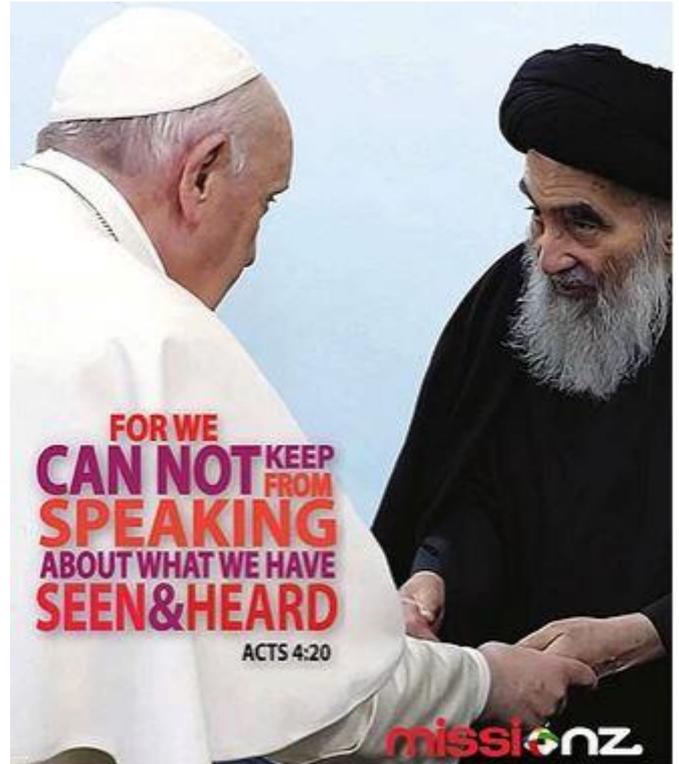
POPE FRANCIS' MISSION SUNDAY MESSAGE 2021:

In the Holy Father's message for World Mission Sunday 2021, he says:

'Jesus needs hearts capable of experiencing vocation as a true love story that urges them to go forth to the peripheries of our world as messengers and agents of compassion'.

On this day, through prayer, reflection and material help, we express our support of missionaries from all continents who are striving to bring the true love of Christ to all who have yet to receive it.

In March 2021, Pope Francis made a historic visit to the land of Abraham (Iraq) to express a message of hope and reconciliation. He went to bring support to the remaining Christian communities there, among the oldest in the world. It was a risky trip, but his message was of peace. As reported, the other mission he wanted to deliver, and of equally great importance, was to show the futility, insanity, and sheer evil of violent conflict between religions. Pope Francis demonstrated the power of symbolic action, exemplifying the call attributed to St Francis of Assisi, "Preach the Gospel at all times. And when necessary, use words."



The picture that declared an act more audible than words was captured when Pope Francis visited and held the hands of Iraq's most prominent Shia religious authority Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani. The Grand Ayatollah is a critique of the war-mongering messages that continue to split the two Muslim communities of Shi'ites and Sunnis apart. A leading publication in England reported that for Pope Francis, "violence in the name of religion is blasphemy; fraternity was stronger than fratricide."

This Mission Sunday 2021, MISSION-NZ wants to share the picture of Pope Francis, the image of a Catholic Senior Leader who has a missionary heart, mind, and practice. Since the beginning of his pontificate, he has summoned the Faithful to be missionary people whose attention should focus on its service to the world. A missionary Church is ever ancient and ever new when it is a Church that goes forth. That way, she will always be relevant – "For we cannot keep from speaking about what we have seen and heard."

MISSION SUNDAY SPECIAL COLLECTION, will take place after Communion on Sunday 24th October. If you are not on Planned Giving, please use the attached envelope or donate via the Parish App, a tax receipt will be sent to you directly.

Envelopes or cash can be put in the collection plate at any Mass or left at the Parish Office.

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

10 October 2021

CTF \$683.07

Parish \$1846.33

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES have been returned to the office – we will endeavour to deliver, or you can pop in and collect.

If you want any changes to the way you give, please contact the Parish Office 06 757-3682.

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: 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 preparation programme has been postponed until Term FOUR. The new dates have been emailed to enrolled families with remaining sessions rescheduled to 31 Oct and 7 Nov. We hope to celebrate the Baptisms on 21 and 28 Nov. Any questions please contact Michelle, youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz

GENERAL NOTICES



CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE: monthly meeting and AGM on Thursday 21 October at 12midday at St Joseph's Hall. Please bring a plate for a shared lunch.

FOODBANK: The Foodbank are short on the following items: Toilet paper, toiletries, Spreads, (especially for children's lunches. Please leave your donations in the baskets provided in each Mass centre foyers.

GIANT PLANT SALE: "Unfortunately, Taranaki Hospital Chaplaincy have had to make the hard decision to cancel The Giant Plant Sale for this year. The ongoing uncertainty at this time meant that the co-ordination on the day would be too difficult to manage, due to the social distancing and numbers restrictions. I know that many people will be disappointed but these increased measures for everyone's safety are very important.

If anyone has prepared plants for the sale that they would like collected they can contact us on 753 6139 ext. 7968.

Hopefully next year's event will make up for this cancellation! Kind regards Louisa Parker".

QUIZ NIGHT: Thank you to all those who attended the fun-filled evening on Thursday and to the organisers. \$4082 was raised for the Huong Phuong Orphanage, in Vietnam.

LEADERSHIP TEAM *On behalf of the entire Parish, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Anna Duynhoven for the huge contribution she has made towards the efficient running of the Leadership Team over the past 4 and a half years as Minute Taker.*

We will miss her very dedicated and skilled involvement in the Team and on your behalf I wish her all the very best for a happy and healthy future.

I am pleased to advise that Margaret (Marg) Mora has agreed to take on the role of Minute Taker at our Leadership Team meetings. Thank you, Marg, for being open to God's call to volunteer for this role – the Leadership Team is very grateful to have your skill set and are looking forward to working closely with you. Grant Novak – Chairperson

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH GLASS PARTITION: An opaque window manifestation will be applied to the glass on the internal partition, between the foyer and the Church interior, for a minimum period of 8 weeks. This is to reduce the disruption caused by people entering the church. The Building Committee welcomes your feedback on whether the screening addressees the issue. Please contact Denise at manager@catholicparishnp.nz if you wish to make your thoughts known to the Committee.

PARKING: The Baker Tilly carpark, opposite St Joseph's, is reserved for the Covid Vaccination centre only.

FAITH-FILLED WORSHIP IN TIME OF LOCKDOWN: For we people of faith, many who depend on the Mass celebrated on Sundays and throughout the week find ourselves struggling without the strength received from the Eucharist. The National Liturgy Office has published a page of information to help everyone manage this lockdown period without the usual access to liturgies at church. The creative suggestions on this page will help: www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/faith-filled-worship-in-time-of-lockdown/

FOOD FOR FAITH – ROSARY: This October, Food For Faith is offering a way of learning and praying the Rosary. Each of the four weeks of October will be dedicated to one set of Mysteries, and you are invited to sign up to receive daily emails focusing on the twenty decades. I look forward to your company making this October journey with Mary through the life of Christ. Father John O'Connor

<https://foodforfaith.org.nz/category/rosary/>

NOTICES FROM TITIPOUNAMU STUDY & JOY:

Online Sessions (DayTime):

Ignatian Imaginative Contemplation – Praying with Imagination with Laetitia Puthenpadath.

Thursdays, 04 and 22 November, 2-3,30pm. ZOOM. Koha/Donation.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/ignatian-imaginative-contemplation-2/>

Online Sessions (Evening):

Infancy Narratives & Nativity Scenes with Kieran Fenn fms and Beate Matthies.

Mondays, 22 November and 06 December, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Koha/Donation.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/infancy-narratives/> and

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/nativity-scenes/>

For more information and registration: info@studyjoy.nz

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: Masks must be worn by everyone while in church. Each church will have a supply of masks (for those who forget).

People entering the church must sign in using the COVID-19 tracer app (or sign in manually) and use hand sanitizer. Children over 12 must sign in.

The 100-person limit does not include the presider, readers, coordinator and eucharistic ministers.

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

PARISH SMALL GROUPS

'LYFE' group

LYFE helps individuals discover and develop a deeper life with God by nurturing a life of Prayer, Word of God, Holy Spirit, witnessing & Social justice. We meet Tuesday 7:30 to 9:0pm via Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85837141269>. LFYE is available online @ <https://biblesociety.org.nz/discover-the-bible/lyfe/>.

Sunday Gospel reflection

You are welcome and encouraged to explore Faith, life & meaning, through 'conversations' in response to God's Words in the Sunday Gospel reading. We meet

- Monday, 9:45 to 11:00am @ St Joseph's supper room.
- Thursday, 1:30pm to 2:45pm @ a Fitzroy private residence - Call Tess 027 583 7732 for address details.

'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' is a mini-video series designed to help the faithful better appreciate the beauty of the Catholic Mass.

- Tuesday 10:15 to 11:30am @ Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Fitzroy
- Wednesday, 8:00 to 9:15pm Zoom meeting Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86061602157>

Feel free to come to any of the four sessions on offer. Contact Albert Chow on ahjchow@xtra.co.nz for more details.

We pray for our deceased family and friends:

Ted Barrett, Maree Keegan, Kathleen Hurley, Liz Gilhooly and John (Hansi) Schicker.

Mass Timetable 18 October – 24 October 2021

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sunday
St Joseph's Church	8am	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 Martin's Pungarehu							8.30am
Our Lady Star of the Sea - Opunake							10am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: 4.45pm at OLHC prior to vigil Mass. 11.30am at St Joseph's on Saturday
(C/S) denotes Liturgy of Word with Holy Communion

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: With Father Vui - Please join Father Vui and parishioners to pray the Liturgy of the Hours (Night Prayer) via ZOOM at 8:30 PM every Friday: Join Zoom Meeting – see website for link.

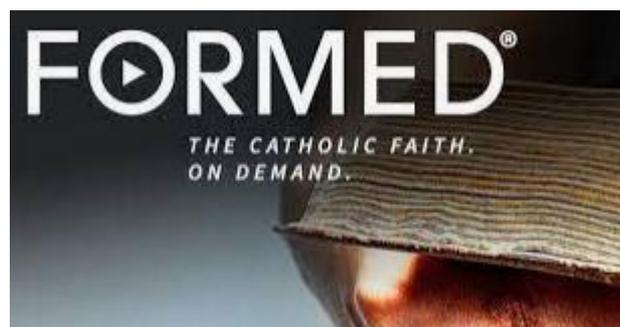
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