



Parish Newsletter Pānui i te Pārihi



Sunday 30 June 2024
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

CONFIRMATION 2024

YOU WERE MADE FOR GREATNESS!



The picture shows the confirmation candidates with the junior leaders on the last session of the programme.

Today, 60 candidates have been officially confirmed after receiving guidance to prepare for their confirmation.

During this process, they gained knowledge about the Sacrament of Confirmation, the concept of God as a loving Father, the significance of Jesus and Salvation, the inspiring lives of the Saints, the responsibilities of a sponsor, the Holy Spirit, the gifts and fruits given by the Holy Spirit, the Eucharist, ways to make an impact, and how to express their faith.

Your prayers and support for these remarkable candidates are greatly appreciated.

You can continue to assist them in their faith journey by sponsoring a YOUCAT. Further information is available on the YOUTH NOTICE BOARD in the church foyer or by reaching out directly to me!

Swile Kentjana YOUTH MINISTER



PHOTO: A GROUP PHOTO AT CONFIRMATION CAMP - FRIDAY, 7 JUNE TO SUNDAY, 9 JUNE 2024

WHAT IS THE YOUCAT?

The YouCat is the short title for the Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church.

The most important elements of the faith are summarized briefly and comprehensibly in a question-and-answer format. The YOUCAT was approved by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith in Rome and officially published by the Austrian Bishops' Conference. With more than 5 million copies sold, it is one of the best-selling Catholic books in the world.

Important Dates

Friday 28 June
Matariki Day

Sunday 30 June
Special Collection for
Peters Pence
After Communion today

Sunday 30 June
Confirmation Mass
with Bishop John
5.30pm
St Joseph's Church

Monday 1 July
Worship Music with
Kadisha
11.00am - 11.30am
St Joseph's Church

Thursday 4 July
Evening Adoration at
St Joseph's church
Resumes 7.00pm

Thursday 4 July
Last Alpha Session

Friday 5 July
School Holidays begin

Sunday 7 July
First Sunday Adoration
3.00pm – 4.00pm
Our Lady Help of Christians



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

PETER'S PENCE: 30th June we will be making the annual Peters Pence Collection. This collection is made annually on or near the Feast of St Peter and St Paul.

The money collected is used by the Pope for acts of service carried out by the Holy See every day. By contributing to Peter's Pence, we can all together support the Pope's mission to support the numerous charitable works, in aid of people and families in difficulty, populations afflicted by natural disasters and wars, or those who are in need of humanitarian assistance.

Donation envelopes were attached to last weeks newsletter, or donate on line 02 0630 0288002 03 using Peter's Pence, (add your name and planned giving number if you require a tax receipt). Or use cash at Mass today Sunday 30 June, for the collection after Communion.

GENERAL NOTICES

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE COMMITTEE MEETING: Friday 5 July - Committee Meeting at 10.30am in St Joseph's Church foyer.

CWL FIRST FRIDAY LUNCH: Friday 5 July, 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.

CWL: Save the date! Annual Bingo fundraiser in St Joseph's Church Hall. Get a team together for Saturday 17 August 2024!



MARIAN MOTHERS: Marian Mother's next meeting is Thursday 4th July, 7pm to 8.30pm. To be held at OLHC, 24 Clinton St, Fitzroy, New Plymouth. Please come and join in with prayer and a cuppa. Bring a small sharing plate. Any queries please ring Glenda 021 323 765.



PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES: We thank all those who give by planned giving, both by envelopes and online. We are at present collating the envelopes for the giving for 28 July onwards. Those who give by weekly, monthly and annual donations will have the white envelopes. For those who give by automatic payment or online giving, there are just the special collection brown envelopes. These will be available in the churches Sunday July 7th onwards. We will try to send the envelopes to the correct Mass centre. If anyone would like to change their manner of giving, eg changing from envelopes to automatic payment or online giving please just contact the Parish Office, phone or email. And for those who would like to begin to donate with envelopes or online, (and receive a tax receipt to claim the 33% rebate, again contact the Parish Office.



RITE OF ACCEPTANCE WELCOME

Marking of the Inquiry period for our RCIA candidates, we celebrated the Rite of Acceptance for Judy Monk, Lee Ann Mullin, at St Josephs church 23 June. Please keep Judy, Lee Ann, Alex, Keith and Maxime in your prayers as they prepare for the Sacraments of Initiation at 2025 Easter Vigil.



ANOINTING MASS: The monthly Mass of Anointing will be held at 11.00am next Saturday 6 July at St Joseph's Church. Everyone is welcome.

CONTINUED FROM 23 JUNE

When it comes to what kind of books the canonical Gospels are, they are essentially biographies and tell us about the life and teachings of Jesus of Nazareth. There are differences between modern biographies and ancient lives. Today, authors may write biographies about people just because they've had interesting lives. However, ancient lives had an instructional purpose. Readers were meant to learn lessons from the lives of the people they read about.

The four Gospels share this instructional quality, and we are meant to take away important lessons for our lives. John states, "Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name".

Sometimes people wonder whether the Gospels were meant for Christian audiences or whether they were evangelistic documents meant to convince people to become Christian. The answer is the former, and the reason is the cost involved in producing copies of the Gospels as every word had to be handwritten by a scribe, and every sheet of papyrus or parchment had to be painstakingly manufactured by hand making them very expensive. Only rich people and congregations that pooled resources could afford them, making it clear that they could not be handed out as evangelistic tracts, so they were meant for people who were already committed Christians.



St Joseph's Conference of St Vincent de Paul, New Plymouth, Tertiary Study Grant



Who can apply? *School students who are exiting the school system at the end of 2024 AND intend to further their studies in 2025.*

Where can we collect the form? *The Parish Office, SHGC (Jeremy Taylor, Warwick Foy) & FDMC (Anna Zsigovits-Mace, Lauren O'Reilly)*

Must the applicant be in Year 13? *No, any person leaving the school system.*

Must the applicant be going to University? *No. Provided you plan to study at a registered institution or apprenticeship.*

Must the applicant be Catholic? *No, however, actions and activities showing Catholic Social Teachings is an important focus.*

When must the application be handed in: *17th October 2024*

Where must the application be handed in: *The Parish Office at St Joseph's church Powderham Street*

When are the grants made? *After the National Scholarship awards are made known.*

Will I know who was awarded the grant? *The awards are made privately, those receiving the grant will be contacted directly.*

The Committee reserves the right to not award the grant.

Should you have any questions or concerns please contact: eogooch@gmail.com

Catholic Parish Summit. On June 12th-14th, over 800 parish leaders from 220 parish leaders descended on Harrogate, UK for the Catholic Parish Summit. The conference focused on parish renewal/evangelisation. The keynotes, panels, and breakout sessions all offered a vision of a renewed Church that is missionary and apostolic at its core, equipping leaders to cast off their parishes into mission – focused on bringing people to Jesus. The Kiwis participants had a an amazing experience. The attendees from New Plymouth were Susilo, Denis, Pip, Denise and Fr Simon.



FROM POPE FRANCIS

INTENTION FOR JULY:

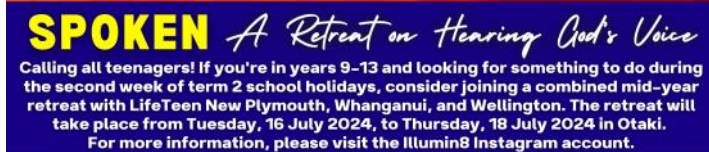
For the pastoral care of the sick:

July's prayer intention asks that the sacrament of the anointing of the sick bestows "the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones." *Anointing Mass at St Joseph's 6 July 11.00am*



Catholic Education Convention 2024.

Last week Amelia and Karen attended the Catholic Education Convention in Wellington. This was a gathering of nearly 800 people from Catholic schools and parishes around NZ. The theme of the convention was 'Tuono Whakapono – Together One Faith Community.' They have both returned inspired with many new ideas to use in our different ministries!



"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: Regan Dodunski, Dianna Wallis, Bob Goodyear, Rev Fergus Reeves, John Wisnewski, Connie Pepper, Helen Meads, Frank Davis, Pat Holmes, Richard Archer, Wolfgang Schafer, Sister Ligouri and Judy Scott.

JULY

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

1 MON	8.00am	St Joseph's Church
2 TUES	8.00am 9.10am 12.05pm	St Joseph's Church Our Lady Help of Christians Church St Joseph's Liturgy of the Word with Communion
3 WED	8.00am 9.10am	St Joseph's Church Our Lady Help of Christians Church
4 THU	8.00am 9.50am 2.20pm	St Joseph's Church Sacred Heart Girls College Mass Francis Douglas Memorial College
5 FRI	8.00am 12.05pm	St Joseph's Church St Joseph's Church (First Friday Mass)
6 SAT	8.30am 5.30pm 6.00pm	St Joseph's Church Our Lady Help of Christians St Patrick's Church Okato
7 SUN	9.00am 10.30am 10.30am 5.30am	St Joseph's Church Our Lady Help of Christians Church Bell Block Mass Centre 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, Tuesday 7.40am July 1st and 2nd, then no Morning Prayer until further notice.

KINGDOM KIDZ – CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH AND ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH:

Each Sunday at OLHC 10.30am Mass. A special Children's Liturgy in the St John Bosco School breakout space. And in the foyer at St Joseph's church 9.00am Sunday Mass.



SUNDAY READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

7 July 2024 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary time

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 2.3-5

PSALM: 123

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 12.7-10

GOSPEL: Mark 6.1-6

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

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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Bell Block

ST PATRICK'S OKATO
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Okato