



# Parish Newsletter

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Catholic Parish of New Plymouth

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021

## FROM POPE FRANCIS



## Pope Francis wants to hear from you!

As Catholics, we need to know how our communities are doing - where we are doing well and how we need to change.

We believe that the Spirit of God speaks through God's people and that includes you.

Ideally, your response will be from a group who have prayed and reflected about what to say.

Follow the link:

<https://tumanako.pndiocese.org.nz/2021/10/synod-2021-2023> to find out more about participating OR look for the Participation booklet - several hard copies will be available in each Mass Centre foyer for your reference.

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

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November - 4pm**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November - 4pm**

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

- Participants are all invited to read the Preparatory Document before the event.
- 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 find 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

31st October 2021

CTF	\$ 405.24
Parish	\$1095.66
A/P October CTF	\$5,210.80
A/P October Parish	\$14,088.69

**UNCOLLECTED 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** 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:** Final preparation session today. We hope to celebrate the Baptisms on 21st and 28th November. Any questions please contact Michelle, [youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz](mailto:youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz)

## GENERAL NOTICES

**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.

**SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER.** Today marks the day when Assisted dying will become legal in New Zealand. In response to the introduction of this legislation in New Zealand, there will be a National Day of Prayer. Everyone is invited to join at **ADORATION** at Our Lady Help of Christians Church Fitzroy Sunday 7th November 2.00pm to 3.00pm. Rosary will be prayed 2.30pm and Divine Mercy will be prayed at 3.00pm. Everyone is welcome. Please contact the Parish Office with any queries.

**REFUGEE SPONSORS NEEDED:** Community Organisation Refugee Sponsorship (CORS): Was your extended family involved in welcoming and connecting of refugees to our Aotearoa New Zealand world in the 1980's? Please let the Parish office know if they were. There is again a need, and we would like to know how you and yours came to be involved.

**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).

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS CARDS** are no longer available. Production has ceased.

### LETTER FROM PRISONERS AID & REINTEGRATION SOCIETY (PARS), TARANAKI:

*Dear Sir/Madam, Since the late 60's, PARS Taranaki has occupied a small office space in the northwest corner of St Joseph's parish building. This location has enabled us to efficiently access the many of the critical services for our clients and build excellent working relationships with providers. We are within 'jumping' distance of WINZ, Probation, the Court House and the NP Police station.*

*However, for all of this time we have only had access to cold running water with hot water achieved via an electric jug or zip. We are incredibly grateful for the parish upgrade to install a new tap with HOT RUNNING WATER!!*

*It has honestly made a massive difference for our clients and for the office. Hand washing is now a simple, quick and effective (as it should be), doing dishes is a breeze and it has also been utilised by some of our homeless clients for having a quick face wash and shave – we have however had to draw the line at washing!*

*I hope it doesn't sound ridiculous but the ease, convenience and ability to have running hot water will never be taken for granted again and we are incredibly grateful for its installation – thank you so much. Your sincerely, Kylie Ewing, Fieldworker*

NB. Thanks to the TOI Foundation who provided the parish with a \$10,000 Capital Grant to install Hot water to the western side of the Hall, incl. Toilet block.

**PARIHAKA DAY – 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER:** To acknowledge Parihaka Day, we have copies of Richard Shaw's article "It's time for Pākehā Kiwis to own their past" available in the Church foyer. We invite you to read the article to consider what the impact of Colonisation has had on Taranaki Maori. You can also view the article on the Parish App or website.

**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.

In December, our youth will be hosting a fundraising Music Concert for this camp. The date of the concert is yet to be confirmed. Please refer to the Parish APP for notifications. Contact Father Vui on vui@catholicparishnp.nz if you want to be involved.

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 about both the remote and missing projector.

**OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS – VOLUNTEER CLEANER:** Can you help us by checking the foyer/kitchen and toilets on a Monday morning? We would love to hear from you if you can. Only 30 minutes is all it would take.

## 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.

## PARISH SMALL GROUPS

### 'LYFE' group

'Lyfe' Group is for Young Adults and Parents of Preschoolers or School Aged Kids. 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. 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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 Tess @ 027 583 7732

For more information email Albert @ [ahjchow@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ahjchow@xtra.co.nz).

## We pray for our deceased family and friends:

Dither Taluban, Diane Meagher, Kathleen Hood, Geo Fleming and Terry Culpan.

# Mass Timetable 8<sup>th</sup> November – 14<sup>th</sup> 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	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 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** – 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of month

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

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE** – 1<sup>st</sup> Friday luncheon, after 12.05pm Mass at OLHC

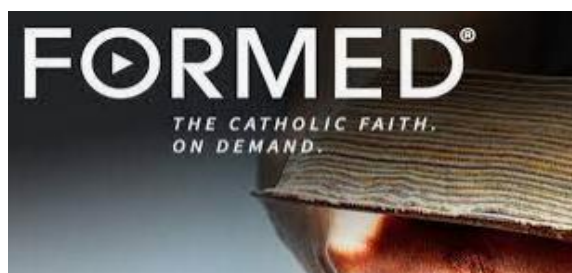
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