

# Parish Newsletter Pānui i te Pārihi

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# 17 September 2023 Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# First Holy Communion 🕅

FIRST COMMUNION SUNDAY 10 September 2023 at St Joseph's Church. Congratulations to the 49 children who celebrated this milestone in their faith journey and to their families who accompanied them in preparation.









OUR VISION: 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.



# SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

**OLDER CHILDRENS BAPTISM:** In term four we will begin our Older Children Baptism programme. This is for children over seven years old. If you know of any families who you think may be interested in registering their children for this, please ask them to get in touch.

Karen Maclean Young Family Minister - youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Congratulations and blessings to the children who are making their First Holy Communion today (Sun 17 Sept) at 10.30am Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians.





**CARITAS SOCIAL JUSTICE:** The Parish is providing meetings for those who want to reflect with others on this year's Social Justice topic - Imagine Peace For All. There are 7 weekly sessions in total. Come and join Father Tom in the Parish Office (backdoor) for the fifth meeting - Monday 18 September 2023 from 5.15pm to 6.15pm, reflecting about "Peace in Creation".

**FOUND:** Last Tuesday on St Joseph's church steps, a single car key, and several weeks ago a black keyless car key.

**LOST:** At Our Lady Help of Christians, possibly in the car park, last Monday evening, treasured Rosary beads, pale pink with Lourdes stamped on the back of them. Please contact the Parish office about all items.

**FOOD BANK:** Foodbank donations can be left in the Church foyers each Sunday. All non perishable grocery items are welcomed. Thank you!

# C GENERAL NOTICES

### PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP INVITATION:

Today, Sunday 17 September, 10.00am after Mass in the Supper Room St Joseph's Church Hall Devon Street. Come along and join our Family Group

for a fun get together of food and games. We welcome all ages - anyone who is interested in becoming part of our Family



Group, or would like to know more about what we do. Bring a plate to share if you can. See you there! Contact Tonia (021 1874876) for detail.

**CWL MONTHLY MEETING:** Thursday 21 September, 12..00pm - midday in the supper room at St Joseph's Church Hall. Bring your lunch and meet friends!



**CWL BINGO AFTERNOON,** Saturday 21 October 2023, 1.30pm at St Joseph's Church Hall, as our fundraiser for Youth Diabetes, the annual At Home Appeal for CWL. If you enjoy Bingo, come along for a fun afternoon. Go to the CWL webs



a fun afternoon. Go to the CWL website to see CWL nationwide work www.cwl.org.nz

**CARD FOR FR JOHN ADAMS:** A card has been made for the upcoming Ordination of Fr John Adams. This weekend, it will be available to sign at all Sunday Masses at St Joseph's and Our Lady Help of Christians.

**NOVENA FOR BISHOP ELECT - FR JOHN ADAMS:** There will be a Bishops Novena prayed for Fr John Adams after all morning Masses at St Joseph's, beginning Thursday 21 September to Friday 29 September. If you would like to pray the Novena at home, copies of the Novena are available at the Parish Office.

### **EPISCOPAL ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF**

**FR JOHN ADAMS:** Saturday 30 September 2023, 11.00am at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Palmerston North. To stay updated on all important details for this exciting occasion, you can follow diocesan social media platforms: centralcatholic.nz on Facebook, @centralcatholic.nz on Instagram, Diocese of Palmerston North on YouTube and check out the website: www.pndiocese.or.nz

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SHOP:** Volunteers are needed for the SVDP Shop, Fitzroy. Can you spare 3-4 hours a week to volunteer at the St Vincent de Paul Shop in Fitzroy? Help is needed to unpack, sort and iron clothes, work the till and Eftpos. Full training will be given. Please phone the shop for more details – 758 6740.



### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY wel-

comes donations of good clean furniture and household items. Chest of drawers and table and chair sets are always needed, so are especially welcomed. We collect. Phone Kevin 027 251 9998 for details and pick up arrangements.

### ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

41A Calvert Road, New Plymouth Telephone(06) 758 0364 email: <u>admin@stjosephsnp.school.nz</u> www.stjosephsnp.school.nz



St Joseph's School New Plymouth/Hato Hohepa ki Ngāmotu is seeking a Caretaker: 25 hours per week.

The successful applicant will have practical grounds maintenance skills; pool testing experience (training is available); building maintenance skills to liaise with tradespeople; be hard working, reliable, independent and thorough; be able to communicate well with all staff and children.

The caretaker provides a safe, clean, functional and pleasant working environment in accordance with health and safety.

Please submit a brief CV with your experience to principal@stjosephsnp.school.nz. Applications close at 4pm on Friday 22 September, 2023.

Notifications for shortlisting and interview times will follow.

**FLOWERS FOR ALPHA @ 6:** Each week we have small posy bowls of cut flowers on the tables at Alpha@6. If anyone would like to contribute flowers or foliage from their garden please contact the Parish Office for details and to let us know what you could have available. Our florist will contact you and come to your garden to



contact you and come to your garden to pick.

The Eucharist is alive. If a stranger who knew nothing about the Eucharist were to watch the way we receive, would he know this? When we approach the Eucharist, does it look like we believe we



are about to take into our bodies the liv-

ing person, Jesus Christ, true God and true man? How many times Lord, have I forgotten the Eucharist is alive? As I line up am I thinking about this miracle or am I distracted and busy with other thoughts, mindlessly receiving you into my body with no love or recognition of your great love for me?

The Host we receive is not a thing, a wafer, a piece of bread! It's a person - and He's alive! We are participating in a miracle.



Susilo | youth@catholicparishnp.nz

**We pray for our deceased family and friends:** Anne Walsh, Sister Connie Hurley, Annie Carter, Betty Koorey, Margaret Koorey-Faulkner, John Fife, John Clark, Fred Cox and Emiliano Ibag.

## WEEKLY MASSES: 18 September to 24 September Fourth Sunday of the month

	MON 18 Sept	TUES 19 Sept	WED 20 Sept	THURS 21 Sept	FRI 22 Sept	SAT 23 Sept	SUN 24 Sept
St Joseph's Church	8.00am	8.00am 12.05pm	8.00am	8.00am	8.00am 12.05pm	8.30am	9.00am 5.30pm
Our Lady Help of Christians		9.10am	9.10am			5.30pm	10.30am
St Martin's Pungarehu							8.30am
Francis Douglas Memorial College			2.20pm				
Sacred Heart Girls College Chapel				10.00am			
St Pius X School					9.00am		

Due to unforeseen circumstances Mass times can be changed after the printing of the Newsletter, therefore please refer to the APP or Website www.catholicparishnp.nz for updated information.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays 11.30am – 12 noon at St Joseph's Church OR Saturdays 4.45pm to 5.15pm OLHC prior to the 5.30 Vigil Mass.

**KINGDOM KIDZ CHILDREN'S LITURGY**: Each Sunday at OLHC Parish 10.30am Mass. A special Children's Liturgy in the St John Bosco School breakout space with fun craft activities. We welcome kids from Kindy age. If your child is younger than this they are welcome too but just need an adult to come with them. We look forward to seeing you all there.



WEEKLY:	SUNDAY READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:			
WEDNESDAY ADORATION:	24 September 25th Sunday in Ordinary time			
Our Lady Help of Christians after 9.10am Mass Adoration this week at St Joseph's Church at 5.00pm.	FIRST READING:	Isaiah 55.6-9		
	PSALM	145		
<b>MORNING PRAYER:</b> Before 8.00am Mass Monday, Tuesday and Friday at 7.40am and Sat at 8.10am. Go to the back door	SECOND READING:	Philippians 1.20-24 –27		
of Parish Office building. We are in the Mary McKillop Room.	GOSPEL	Matthew 20.1-16		

### **MINISTRY TEAM:**

**Priests:** Simon Story, Vui Hoang & Tom Lawn simon@catholicparishnp.nz vui@catholicparishnp.nz tom@catholicparishnp.nz

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