

Parish Newsletter Pānui i te Pārihi

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1 October 2023 Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

CELEBRATION SUNDAY

United in compassionate love — Kua Kotahi i roto i te Pūaroha

Celebration Sunday, 1 October 2023, is celebrated in parishes and communities across Aotearoa New Zealand this weekend. It is a day to remember the life, spirituality and good works of Venerable Meri Hōhepā Suzanne Aubert. While we wait and pray for Meri Hōhepā Suzanne Aubert to be beatified, we continue to unite to promote her message of compassion and love throughout Aotearoa New Zealand and the world.

To learn more about Meri Hōhepā Suzanne Aubert please go the following website - www.compassion.org.nz

PRAYER FOR THE BEATIFICATION OF SUZANNE AUBERT

Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us that as often as we show compassion to the least of your brothers and sisters, we show it to you.

Hear our prayers that Venerable Suzanne Aubert, who loved the Māori people and devoted her life to the poor, the sick and the underprivileged, and whom the Church has declared to be one of your true and humble followers, may soon be recognized as a saint.

Amen



KATORIKAY

The painting of Venerable Suzanne Aubert was unveiled at the 2014 Oceania Bishops Gathering at the Home of Compassion in Island Bay, Wellington. The artwork was created by The Studio of John the Baptist - an Auckland-based studio which specialises in sacred art and iconography.

We offer our

CONGRATULATIONS and BLESSINGS to

BISHOP JOHN ADAMS

Ordained yesterday - Sat | 30 Sept | 2023 as Bishop of the Diocese of Palmerston North



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.

FROM POPE FRANCIS

For the month of October we pray for the Synod: We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Registrations closing soon!

OLDER CHILDRENS BAPTISM: In term four we will begin our Older Children Baptism programme. This is for children over seven years old.

Registrations need to be received by Karen - our Young Family Minister by 13 October 2023.

youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz

GENERAL NOTICES

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 seventh meeting - Monday 2 October 2023 from 5.15pm to 6.15pm, reflecting about "Peace begins with you."

MARIAN MOTHERS. Our next meeting will be Thursday 5th October, 7.00pm to 8.30pm, in Our Lady Help of Christians Church foyer. Come join in prayer and friendship over a cuppa and light supper. Please bring a small sharing plate. Any queries contact Glenda phone 021 323 765.



12 HOUR OF ADORATION at Our Lady Help of Christians, Friday 13 October beginning at 9.00am and finishing at 9.00pm.

Eucharistic Adoration is the practice of being before Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament exposed in a monstrance on the altar.

Come along and spend a silent time with the Lord. Everyone is invited to join us at even for a short time.

Roster sheets (if you wish to book time space) are available at OLHC and St Joseph's Church.



OLHC GOSPEL READING GROUP: The gospel reading group at Our Lady Help Of Christians will finish on Tuesday 19 September for the school holiday break. We will resume on Tuesday 10 October. All welcome.

CWL FIRST FRIDAY LUNCH: Friday 6 October, 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 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 website to see CWL nationwide work www.cwl.org.nz



ANOINTING MASS: The monthly Mass of Anointing will be held at 11.00am next Saturday 7 October at St Joseph's Church. Everyone is welcome.

BISHOPS' 2023 ELECTION STATEMENT PUB-LISHED: The NZ Catholic Bishops have published their 2023 Election Statement, which urges the politicians elected on 14 October to focus on issues that matter to the people of the nation rather than the trivia and scandals that dominate public debate. Read the statement at: www.catholic.org.nz



SUPPORT LIFE SUNDAY

Next weekend | 7-8 October 2023

Each year the Catholic Church in Aotearoa New Zealand celebrates Support Life Sunday. This year the Bishops' chosen focus is The Consistent Ethic of Life.

...everything is connected ...

NGĀ PEKANGA MIHA MĀORI – MĀORI MASS 8 OCTOBER 2023

The whānau of Ngā Pekanga Catholic Māori Charitable Trust would love you to join us for our next Miha Māori on Sunday 8 October at 10.30am at our place – 2A Bayly Street (corner of Princess St and Bayly St) Waitara and afterwards for shared kai.



Nau mai, haere mai tātou katoa – everybody is most welcome.

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Please like our Facebook page "Catholic Parish of New Plymouth"
to know what's happening
in the Parish!

ST JOHN BOSCO SCHOOL PARKING: From 6 October, car parking on the St John Bosco Courts will no longer be available at all. In the coming weeks, St John Bosco will be undergoing a significant improvement to their netball court behind Our Lady Help of Christians Church. They will be installing astroturf on the school courtyard.

As an alternative arrangement to ensure that parishioners can access the church without any difficulty, the school gates to two convenient walkways Darnell Street Walkway and Paynters Avenue Walkway, which run along the southern boundary to the school and alongside SH3 (the main road), will be unlocked allowing access to the school grounds. This means that parishioners will be able to park in Paynters Avenue and Darnell Street and walk to the church down the walkway and through the gates.

We understand that this may cause some inconvenience, but we kindly request your cooperation and support with this change in parking.

Did you know that the Apostle's Creed, which is said on the crucifix of the Rosary, is a holy summary of all Christian truths. It is a prayer that has great merit because faith is the root, foundation and beginning of all Christian virtues, of all eternal virtues and also of all prayers that are pleasing to Almighty God.

The first few words, "I believe in one God" are marvelously effective as a means of sanctifying our souls and of putting devils to rout, because these 3 words contain the acts of the 3 theological virtues of faith, hope and charity.

It was by saying "I believe in one God" that the saints overcame temptations, especially those against faith, hope or charity - whether they came during their lifetime or at their death. They were the last words of St Peter of Verona, Martyr. A heretic cleft St Peter's head in two by a blow of his sword and St Peter taking his last breath, somehow managed to write with his blood in the sand "I believe in God" before he died. (excerpt from The Secret of the Rosary, St Louis de Montfort).





We pray for our deceased family and friends: Alistar Simmers, Maree Keegan, Julie Mullen, Patricia Thorn, Judy Scott, Shirley Scott and Ernie Jennings.

WEEKLY MASSES: 2nd October to 8th October 2023 Second Sunday of the month

	MON 2 October	TUES 3 October	WED 4 October	THURS 5 October	FRI 6 October	SAT 7 October	SUN 8 October
St Joseph's Church	8.00am	8.00am 12.05pm	8.00am	8.00am	8.00am 12.05pm	8.30am 11.00am Anointing Mass	9.00am 5.30pm
Our Lady Help of Christians		9.10am	9.10am	9.10am		5.30pm	10.30am
Ngā Pekanga Maori Mission Centre							10.30am
St Martins Pungarehu							8.30am
Francis Douglas Memorial College			School Holidays				
Sacred Heart Girls College Chapel				School Holidays			

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. Note school holiday changes this week.

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:

WEDNESDAY ADORATION:

Our Lady Help of Christians after 9.10am Mass Adoration this week at St Joseph's Church at 5.00pm.

MORNING PRAYER: Before 8.00am Mass Monday, Tuesday and Friday at 7.40am and Sat at 8.10am. Go to the back door of Parish Office building. We are in the Mary McKillop Room.

SUNDAY READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

8 October 27th Sunday in Ordinary time

FIRST READING: Isaiah 5.1-7

PSALM 80

SECOND READING: Philippians 4.6-9

GOSPEL Matthew 21. 33-43

MINISTRY TEAM:

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