



Parish Newsletter

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Feast of the King 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 22nd November 2020

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Advent 2020:

Every year at the beginning of Advent, the Anglican and Catholic churches and schools, join in an ecumenical celebration to bless the Advent wreaths. This is a lovely celebration of song, prayer, readings and supper, marking the beginning of Advent.

ADVENT WREATH BLESSING: 7.00pm Wednesday 25 November 2020 St Joseph's Church Powderham Street



Kotahitanga ~ Unity, Togetherness, Collection Action

The New Plymouth Christian Leaders' Network invite you to the Combined Churches Sunday Morning Service.

10am | 6 December 2020 | TSB Stadium, New Plymouth Speaker: Dave Mann from Shining Lights Charitable Trust.

The church in Taranaki is united as one people, by one faith and one hope; in the power of one Spirit. Rising in a new season, we fix our eyes on Jesus the author and finisher of our faith.

We will gather as 'living stones' in humility, joy and expectation. FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS, we take our place to proclaim, praise and pray to the One God... from every corner of our region we bless our nation.

NB. Cardinal John Dew encourages us to attend and support this New Plymouth Christian Community event but reminds us that we are still obliged to attend Mass on Sunday, in our own parishes.

Psalm 85:8-13 *I will listen to what God the Lord says; he promises peace to his people, his faithful servants-but let them not turn to folly. Surely his salvation is near those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other. Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven. The Lord will indeed give what is good and our land will yield its harvest. Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps.*



Weekly Scripture Readings

Sunday 29th November – 1st Sunday of Advent

Year B

First Reading: Isaiah 63.16b-17; 64.1, 3-8

Psalm: Psalm 80

Second Reading: 1st Letter of St Paul to Corinthians 1.3-9

Gospel Reading: Mark 13.31-37++

COLLECTIONS/DONATIONS

Collection 2020

Clergy Trust Fund: \$ 1,024.31

Parish: \$ 2769.43

PayWave is available in foyer. NB. Donations are not counted as Planned Giving.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION & CELEBRATION

BAPTISM FOR OLDER CHILDREN Congratulations and blessings to the 47 children whose Baptisms take place today and next Sunday. Check out the photos in the foyers.

FIRST COMMUNION ST JOSEPH'S: First Communion celebration Mass Sunday 29 Nov at 11am. All welcome.

FIRST RECONCILIATION 2021: A new parish-wide format will be trialed in term 1. To pre-enrol or if you have any queries, please contact Michelle: youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz Please keep in your prayers all those involved in Sacramental preparation and celebration.

GENERAL NOTICES

ST JOHN BOSCO SCHOOL MASS is today – welcome to our school families. Please text CPNPAPP to 818 to download the parish APP.

MASS IN TE REO: 29th November 9am at St Joseph's Church. Practice will be held on the 27th at 5.30pm St Joseph's Church. Everyone is welcome.

NOVEMBER MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: Our Book of the Deceased and the Remembrance Box will be placed in the sanctuary near the altar at St Joseph's or the basket near the altar at OLHC. You can express your love by making a list of your beloved dead and placing it in the Remembrance Box. No money is required to be left. If you would like names of the deceased to be recorded in the Memorial Book, please contact the Parish Office

ANOINTING MASS: 11am 9th December St Joseph's Church.

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON: The parish youth are hosting a lunch for the seniors in our parish community. Lunch will be served at midday, after the Anointing Mass at St Joseph's Church hall. Entertainment will be provided. Please RSVP to Hika on hika@catholicparishnp.nz or phone the Parish office and advise us of your dietary requirements. Please join us on Wednesday 9th December at 12noon for this festive event!

CHRISTMAS CARDS: St Vincent De Paul Christmas cards are available at the Opportunity Shop at Fitzroy or the Parish Office. \$2.00 for a pack of 5 cards.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS are available in the Parish Office \$12 ea. Columban calendars have had a place in NZ catholic homes for decades. These calendars support St Columbans Missions Society.

CHRISTMAS MASSES: Would you like to help at one of the Christmas Masses on Christmas Day or the Vigil or 9.00am Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians. See the volunteer signup sheets in the foyers. We are looking greeters, for families to take part in the Offertory processions and readers with strong, clear voices. Practice times will be available. Please contact the parish office if you have any queries.

CONNECT GROUP: You are invited you to be part of CONNECT small groups where we find a highly relational, non-judgmental and supportive environment to help us grow and deepen our relationship with God. We meet Wednesdays 9.45am at Bell Block

ST VINCENT De PAUL - ST JOSEPH'S CONFERENCE: ANNUAL COLLECTION. The annual collection to support the work of our Conference is this weekend. If you would prefer to make your donation via internet banking our account details are as follows: 15 3942 0689853 00. The account name is SVdP St Joseph's NP Conference. This collection provides an important source of funding for our work.

CHRISTMAS GIFT COLLECTION - St Joseph's Conference of St Vincent de Paul is seeking donations of toiletries. Items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, soaps, deodorants, moisturizers, suntan lotion, hand wash, shampoo and conditioners are very much in the luxury category for many people in need. A basket for donations will be left at the entrance door to Mass on Sundays Nov 22 and 29. Thank you for the lovely donations received last Sunday.

ROSTERS: Preparation is underway for the December/January/February rosters for OLHC church and the Data Projector, Readers, Musicians and Offertory roster for St Joseph's church. If you have any special requests over this time, please contact the co-ordinator of your Ministry roster or the Office. For OLHC please contact Helen Chitty helen4sun@hotmail.com If anyone is thinking they may like to join a Ministry please contact the Office.

KIMI ORA COMMUNITY OF FAITH AND LIGHT: Are gathering today at St. Joseph's Hall 12 noon - 3.30pm.

ADORATION: There is no evening Adoration at St Joseph's Wednesday 25th November but will resume the following Wednesdays.

YOUTH MINISTRY: Our Youth Minister needs help with hospitality at the youth group. Contact Hika for more information. 0277573612 or hika@catholicparishnp.nz

BISHOP OWEN DOLAN SILVER JUBILEE OF EPISCOPAL ORDINATION (10/12/95-10/12/20): Everyone is invited to a celebration of the Silver Jubilee of Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Owen Dolan. Jubilee Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral of The Holy Spirit, Palmerston North, on Thursday December 10th at 12.05pm. Luncheon to follow in the Diocesan rooms, all welcome. No RSVP required.

FR BRIAN CARMINE: We are including Fr. Brian in the overall pastoral care of North Taranaki Pastoral Area. Fr Brian will be available for Baptisms (within the normal parish plan), visits to the sick and elderly, Reconciliation, other pastoral guidance and funerals (again within the usual etiquette of the Parish). Brian prefers to be contacted by email: bejcarmine@gmail.com

NZ CATHOLIC: The 15-28th November issue of NZ Catholic is available in the church foyers now. This will be the last issue we will be selling. We encourage you to contact NZ Catholic directly to subscribe admin@nzcatholic.org.nz Phone 09 360 3067

JOB VACANCIES: The Archdiocese of Wellington is currently advertising two senior roles, Director, Development, Investment and Finance; and Director, Church Mission. These leadership roles report to the General Manager and further details can be found on the OCG and Seek websites.

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE: Saturday 5 December 2pm Civic Centre next to Parliament Grounds,

Wellington Studying Theology at the University of Otago

THEOLOGY PROGRAMME AT THE UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO offers many opportunities for the study of Theology, Church History, Ministry, Biblical Studies, and Pastoral Theology, both on-campus and to many students across Aotearoa New Zealand through its successful distance study programme. We are committed to serving Christian communities throughout the country. New enrolments for 2021 are due by December 10th. For details of papers go to: <https://www.otago.ac.nz/theology/study/papers/> To enrol go to <https://www.otago.ac.nz/study/enrolment/>

THE ROYAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO ABUSE IN CARE. <https://www.abuseincare.org.nz/> On Monday 30 November, the Royal Commission will begin its Faith-based Redress Hearing: Phase One. This hearing will focus on evidence from survivors of abuse in faith-based institutions about their experience of seeking redress. A group has been set up to coordinate engagement with the Royal Commission on behalf of the Catholic Church in New Zealand called Te Rōpū Tautoko. Website: <https://tautoko.catholic.org.nz/> The Church takes all complaints of abuse seriously. Complaints of sexual abuse against church personnel in New Zealand are referred to the Church's National Office for Professional Standards (NOPS).

Increased publicity can be the catalyst for people to come forward. We encourage anyone who has been abused by a priest or religious to contact them, for your story to be heard and your complaint to be investigated. Alternately you may choose to go directly to the Police, and the Church will support anyone who requires assistance to do this. Email: prof.standards@nzcbc.org.nz Phone: 0800 114 622

FORMED

- An online library resource for anyone in the parish

Father Simon has subscribed the parish to an online Catholic resource platform called 'FORMED'. This allows all parishioners to sign in and access the online library.

Instructions to access:

1. Visit <http://signup.formed.org/>
2. Enter our parish name: Catholic Parish of New Plymouth
3. Enter your name and email

Diving into the beauty of the Faith has never been easier: FORMED provides the very best Catholic content from more than 60 organizations to help parishes, families and individuals explore their faith anywhere. Supporting thousands of movies, children's programs, e-books, audio, parish programs and studies direct to your browser, mobile or connected device... there is something for every member of the family to help them grow closer to Christ and His Church.

NB: Once you have registered, please ignore any requests for money. The parish has paid for the subscription and it appears an automated email request is sent to everyone who registers.

We pray for our deceased family and friends:

Deceased members of the Monaghan and Crowley Families, Rose Charteris, Cushla Brennan, Dianne Meagher and Verna Sheehan

Weekly Masses 23rd November to 30th November

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sunday
St Joseph's Church	8am	8am 12.05pm	8am C/S	8am	8am 12.05pm	8.30am	9.00am Mass in Te Reo 5.30pm
OLHC		9.10am	9.10am			5.30pm Vigil	10.30am
St Patrick's Okato						6pm Vigil	
FDMC Chapel				2.20pm			
St Pius X					9am		

(C/S) denotes Liturgy of Word with Holy Communion

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays 11.30am – 12 noon St Joseph's Church OR 4.45pm at OLHC prior to vigil Mass

UPCOMING EVENTS

MONTH

- 22 November – St John Bosco School Mass
- 24 November – Advent Wreath blessing
- 29 November – First Communion St Joseph's
- 3 December – Reconciliation at Opunake
- 6 December – Combined Churches Sunday AM service. TSB Stadium 10am
- 13 December – Christmas Carols @ Bell Block 4.30pm

“My Church” APP

- Step 1: Text CPNPAPP to 818 to download!
- Step 2: Select what groups you want to 'follow'
- Step 3: Set up your profile
- Step 4: Try the Give function



For up-to-date regular parish events, download the APP and view the Parish Calendar.



MINISTRY TEAM:

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