

Mass Intentions For your convenience there are pre-printed envelopes in the foyer for those parishioners who would like Father Pat to offer a Mass for anyone. Kindly complete all details and hand to Fr Pat.

Kua Tonoa E Te Karaiti – Sent By Christ

This is a four week home based program of faith sharing and exploration. This New Zealand produced program covering four weeks encourages open conversation, reflection and prayer in the small group and in private. It is based on the call to discipleship with significant Scripture passages. The idea is that by taking time, together to pray and discuss our mission we may grow in faith and understanding as individuals and as a community of joyful and committed believers. The cost is \$1.00 per participant for the booklet **Wednesday 6 September, Poynton Room, Pompallier Catholic Centre 7pm** We will hold an information session that will enable interested persons to view the program, ask questions and place initial orders. Orders placed at the evening will only cost .80c each per booklet. As a light supper will be provided we ask that you let us know attendance by Monday 4 September re.team@cda.org.nz.

“Calling on young New Zealanders to share their voice with the Vatican”

Pope Francis wants to hear from young people: "to listen to your voice, your sensitivities, and your faith - even your doubts and criticism." All those aged 16-29 are encouraged to complete an online survey. There is also a survey for those in youth-related leadership roles. Surveys close on 27 August. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8T2T3W8> (youth survey) <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FFYNG8N> (leadership survey)

MASS TIMETABLE

Sunday Masses

Saturday	5.30 pm Vigil
Sunday	9.30 am & 5pm
Mon. Tues, and Fri.	6.00pm
Wednesday	9.15am
<i>(10.30am on 4th Wednesday of the month)</i>	
Saturday	9.00am
Public Holidays	9.00am
<i>(No Mass on Thursday)</i>	
Adoration	5 - 6pm Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri
Rosary	5.30pm Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30 - 10.00am & 5.00 - 5.20pm or by appointment

READINGS:

20th August

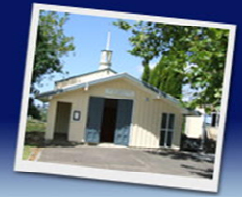
Psalm 67 p.74
 1. Isaiah 56:1,6-7
 2. Romans 11:13-15,29-32
 Gospel Matthew 15:21-28

Next Week

Psalm 138 p.147
 1. Isaiah 22:19-23
 2. Romans 11:33-36
 Gospel Matthew 16:13-20



Welcome to St Joseph's
CATHOLIC PARISH OF ORAKEI



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20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
20th August 2017

Towards the New Zealand General Election - Saturday 23 September

As the general election approaches, the Catholic Bishops of Aotearoa New Zealand ask us to take part in the election with key aspects of Catholic teaching clearly in mind. As voters we are shaped not only by political leanings and personal interests, but also by concern for the common good of the people of our country and the vision of our Catholic faith. The bishops ask us to reflect on some key aspects in the brochure **"Step out and Vote"**. This week the bishops draw our attention particularly to some approaches to our cultural make-up that flow from our Catholic tradition:

- **"We embrace the bicultural nature of Aotearoa New Zealand.** We ourselves are growing in our understanding that this is much more than questions of language. Bicultural partnerships and participation enrich any group because they anticipate an expansion of understanding of the fundamental elements of human society including **land, people and purpose**. Every absence of bicultural partnership is an impoverishment of our society. **We welcome the completion of iwi treaty claims** and rejoice in the renewed mana that these agreements unleash".
- **"We delight in the cultural diversity of contemporary New Zealand** and we wish to welcome to our shores not only those people whose skills are deemed to be of immediate benefit to our economy, but also those for whom their homeland has become unsafe, including **refugees and asylum seekers**".

God bless you all. Fr Pat

Are you planning to vote on Saturday September 23rd ????

Come and hear what our Tamaki Candidates have to say, especially on policies connected with: **Housing Child poverty The environment**

When: Monday 28th August at 7.30pm

Where: St Ignatius Church, 12 Kotiri Street, St Heliers



Feel free to invite family and friends



Adoration

A reminder that here at St Joseph's we have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 5-6 p.m. **each week day except Thursday.**

One good way we can show our love for Jesus is to spend time with him in the Blessed Sacrament.

"Where your treasure is, there is your heart...." "Could you not watch one hour with me?" (Mt 6:21; 26:40)

NZ CATHOLIC

The 13th to 26th August issue of NZ Catholic is out now. Some headlines are: Farewell to G.I.F.T.'s Sr Jean; A questionable, problematic view of US Catholicism; Don't medicalise kids confused about gender; Movie Review: Life behind the Iron Curtain. Please support our Catholic newspaper. **\$4 per copy** - please hand to Fr Pat.

Mercy Spirituality Centre

104 The Drive, Epsom- Bookings essential.

□ **This Week: Reflecting on Water** with Robin Kearns. Water is both a potent symbol and critical ingredient in the sustainability of life itself. This session will provoke, consider and reclaim water as critical to the currents of our everyday lives. Tues 22 Aug 7-9pm. \$15.

□ **This Week: Dreamwork 102 Dreams of Death, Grief & Healing** with Margaret Bowater. Sat 26 Aug 9.30am-4pm. \$90. Limited places available.

□ **MEDITATION WEEKEND: Finding God in All Things – An Ignatian Spirituality Seminar** with KEVIN GALLAGHER & LAETITIA PUTHENPADATH. Sat 9th 10am till Sun 10th Sept 3.30pm. Including all meals: Residential \$170 Non-Residential \$95.

See website for more details. Ph. 638 6238 or info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz or www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz

Fun Day for Special Children

The Fun Day for Special Needs / Differently Abled Children is a free event with lots of fun activities for special needs children and their families. 11am - 3pm in the North Shore Events Centre on Sunday 3 Sep. More details at fundayout.co.nz

It's Time to Have Your Say

All Parishioners and their families are encouraged to enrol for the forthcoming election. The written roll closes on **Wednesday 23 August** which enables you to receive the Easy Vote card. The electoral commission contact is 0800 367 656 or www.elections.org.nz

The Cathedral Organ Series Saturdays @ 6

Is back for 2017. With three fabulous early evening concerts to warm the heart in winter. **We begin on the 19th August at 6 pm with Michael Stewart.** All concerts in the series are FREE with a retiring collection. Future concerts are Douglas Mews, 9 September at 6 pm and Director of Music and Cathedral Organist, James Tibbles 28 October 6 pm. *Validated parking will be available at the Wilson's car parks on Durham Lane and Hobson Street.*

Beginning Experience - ALONE AGAIN?

Widowed, Separated or Divorced? The Beginning Experience's is a non-profit organization with the motto a "Weekend Away for a Lifetime of Change". The retreat will help you work through your painful loss. The participants find new hope, increased emotional health and renewed energy. Date: Friday evening 8th-10th September. Cost: \$245 or early bird price of \$195 if paid by 27th August. Includes accommodation, meals and materials. Contact Carol evenings Ph: 428-4445 or leave message on 360-3054.

Visit www.beginningexperience.org.nz

Join us at St.Michaels, Remuera

(in the church) to hear Dr John Kleinsman(Head of Research and Director, The Nathaniel Centre, Wellington Archdiocese) talk on Euthanasia and Abortion lobby/issues. Monday 21st August 7 - 8.30pm. Supper will be served following John's talk in the Parish Centre (below the church). Please RSVP to Fiona in the parish office.

stmichaels.remuera@clear.net.nz or Ph: 520 1226



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUEThis month, **ON WEDNESDAY 23rd AUGUST**, we have invited Ann Marie Parker from Bishop Pat's Catholic Caring Foundation as our Guest Speaker, who will, with her bright personality, enlighten us on how the Foundation is structured and cares for those of us who are less fortunate than others. As usual we will have **Mass at 10-30am** followed by morning tea, and then our usual hot lunch – all for \$15. Our

Trading Table will be full of goodies to buy and of course there will be Raffles to win. Please bring husbands and friends to enjoy this interesting day!! “

The Catholic Institute of Aotearoa New Zealand

(TCI) is excited to announce the dates, venue and scholarship information for the Graduate Certificate in Leadership in Catholic Culture (GCLCC) taught through TCI in conjunction with the Australian Catholic University. This Graduate Certificate is a must for anyone looking to become or who are already leaders in Catholic schools.

See notice board for more information

MARRIED COUPLES: Revitalise and enrich your intimacy, love and romance in your marriage. Attend the MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND –15th -17th September at Allenby Park Hotel Manukau – BOOK NOW! – Phone (0800 362 686) or Christine & David Sloan, Email: david.christinesloan@gmail.com or Phone 372-3581.

Youth Mass

All are welcome to the August Diocesan Youth Mass, hosted by the Central Region! It will be held on Sunday 27th August, starting with praise and worship at 6.30pm, followed by Mass at 7pm at St Patrick's Cathedral. The theme is 'Who do you say I AM?' and Mass will be celebrated by Msgr Bernard Kiely. See Facebook page to join.



JOIN US AFTER THE 9.30 AM. MASS FOR A CUPPA !

FIT FOR MISSION

Jesus' mission did not guarantee the disciples success, nor did it shield them from failure or suffering," *Pope Francis said.(June 27, 2017)* The same is true for us today. We should expect suffering and even persecution if we follow in the path of the crucified Christ, but at the same time, we can take comfort in knowing that "God does not abandon his children during the storm."

Don't let a setback discourage you – keep on mission!

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'Current of Grace' Conference "Celebrating the diverse fruits and family of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in New Zealand"

When: Friday 22 – Sunday 24 September 2017-06-23 Where: Distinction Hotel and the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Palmerston North. Guest presenters include Bishop Denis Browne, Fr John Rea, Diana Ingle CCRNZ Chairperson. Ann Brereton from ICCRS will share on 2017 Vatican report Pope Francis's exciting new plans for us all! For further information and to register on-line visit www.ccrnz.org/register2017 For further information please contact Val Morrison Tel: 07 542 5537 *See notice board for flyer.*

BARADENE ALUMNAE

Annual High Tea and Meritac Award. Sunday 27th

August, 2.30 p.m. Tickets \$35. See notice board for full details.