

Pastoral Area of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Rotorua

Catholic Churches

St Michael's, St Mary's and Sacred Heart, Murupara

Proud of our Three Catholic Schools:

St Michael's, Lisa Crescent, 348 1362 & St Mary's, 37 Carnot Street, 348 1701
and John Paul College, Whitworth Road, 347 8795

Twentieth Sunday Ordinary Time Year A - 20th August 2017

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Deadline for newsletter:

Thursday 11am

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

I head away this week for a two week break and I will have another two week break at the beginning of October.

Until recently the Parish Youth Group has been run by Jono Parkinson who is now teaching in Putaruru, and also the Florence family. I thank them all for their sterling work. I have asked Chris and Sheila Manlunas, one of our young Filipino couples, to now run the Parish Youth Group. Nothing in the Parish is permanent and it is wonderful to have new beginnings I thank Chris and Sheila for being willing to work with our youth. The plan at the moment, is to begin again on the first Sunday of September (3rd September) following the 5.00 pm Sunday Mass at St Mary's, in the Parish hall. Those who wish to attend (who are 13 years old and older) please email Sheila so she knows how much pizza to order.

sheilamanlunas@gmail.com

On other matters related to the Manlunas family, last week they opened the Coffee Hug at 1241 Hinemoa St in Rotorua. I thought the Parish would be interested to know that Parishioners own this cafe. They offer specialty gourmet coffee and food. Open Monday to Saturday from 7.30 am to 3.30 pm. We wish Chris, Sheila and their family God's blessing on their new enterprise.

Kind regards and God bless.

Fr. Eamon Kennedy

FOR NEW PARISHIONERS OR UPDATING DETAILS

NAME:.....

ADDRESS:.....

PHONE NUMBERS: (HOME) / (MOBILE)

EMAIL:.....



Please Circle One of the following.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES / INTERNET BANKING / AUTOMATIC PAYMENT

(Please cut out and return to the Parish Office or place in the Collection Basket)

PRAY THE ROSARY IN TE REO

Rosary in Te Reo every Monday evening 7.30pm, at 7 Whitworth Road, everyone is welcome. For enquiries phone Chris on 021 197 2022.

CATHOLIC DISCIPLESHIP COLLEGE

The Catholic Discipleship College team would appreciate parishioners feedback from our recent Mission. These are questions which they have sent to assist with the feed back. How did you enjoy the mission? What did you get out of it? And any other comments.

Please send feedback to cameron@cdc.ac.nz or P.O. Box 36215, Northcote, 0748.

A Message from the NZ Catholic Bishops:

"...Young New Zealanders are being called to share their views about life, faith, and their experience of Church through an online survey published today by the New Zealand Catholic Bishops. The Catholic Church is launching a nation-wide survey for all youth. The survey is part of an international effort by Pope Francis to better understand the lives, attitudes and concerns of young people around the world, in the lead up to the Synod on "Young people, faith and vocational discernment" in Rome, October 2018."

"New Zealanders aged 16 – 29 years old are encouraged to answer the survey and tell their friends about it and share the link with their networks. The survey will run for five weeks, with the closing date for responses midnight on Sunday, 27 August 2017. The survey will be found at <https://www.facebook.com/voicetovaticanNZ> and on the home page of the New Zealand Catholic Bishops' website: <http://www.catholic.org.nz/>"

ST VINCENT DE PAUL Food Cupboard Donations

There has been increase in the demand for Food Parcels this winter, and the Food Cupboard is not coping, we are in need of the following foods, pasta and pasta sauces, breakfast foods, tea, coffee, milo, biscuits, jam, peanut butter and tinned food. Contact Joan 347 2288 for more information

'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 or please contact Val Morrison Tel: 07 542 5537

HEALTH AND SAFETY

There is a First Aid Kit in the kitchen and foyer at St Mary's and for St Michael's in the kitchen in the crypt and in the sacristy.

All accidents are to be recorded in the Accidents and First Aid Register' kept with the First Aid Kits.

Also all hazards can recorded in the Hazard Register.

BAPTISM DATES FOR 2017

St Mary's Church
1st and 2nd Sundays of the month
at 11:30am

St Michael's Church
3rd and 4th Sundays of the month
at 11:30am

Parents need to contact the Parish Office to make an appointment with Father Eamon and also to attend a Baptism Course before having their child baptised. The course is run by Sister Carina and Gabrielle Kilkelly on the first Thursday of each month at 7pm (excluding January) in the Meeting Room at St Mary's Church.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2018

Are now available to purchase from the Parish Office. \$12 each.

SCHOOL NEWS

ST MARYS SCHOOL

This week we celebrated the feast day of the Assumption with a school Liturgy. Students then went back to class to learn more about this important feast day. This week we also had children involved in a dance competition during the week and some students sat the ICAS Maths exam. Classes are beginning to break into the Church Strand and learn about the power of the Church community and the services that our parish and school provide for our local community. We are fortunate to have many groups who consistently help those in need in many different ways.

Bernadette Hall - Director of Religious Studies
David Macmillan - Principal

ST MICHAELS SCHOOL

This week we look forward to welcoming the Bishop's Catholic Character Review Team who visit all Catholic Schools every three years. We will be excited to share with them all the wonderful things happening at our school. We are also looking forward to welcoming the NZ Marist Colts to school on Wednesday. The Colts will speak to the children about their training and selection and hope to inspire our students to dream big. On Friday four of our children will compete in the inter-schools Chinese Speech Competition and on Friday night we will be finishing our week with a school disco.

Marion Brits - Director of Religious Studies
Shelly Fitness - Principal

JOHN PAUL COLLEGE

We all remembered the Assumption this week, Mary going into heaven body and soul. We as Catholics show great respect for Mary. She was gentle woman chosen especially by God to be the mother of Jesus. On August 18 and 19 some of our middle and senior school student's travel to Tauranga to participate in The Catholic Competition called Chanel Shield.

Students compete against other Catholic Secondary Schools from Hamilton in the areas of debating, poetry, bible quiz, bible readings, Christian and Maori perspective speeches and small dramas. It is a time for students to let their talents shine and a time to get to know and make friendships with other students from all our Catholic Secondary Schools in The Hamilton Diocese. Don't forget everyone is warmly welcome to the Wednesday Morning Mass 8.10 Mary MacKillop Chapel.

Karen Bloomfield - DRS
Patrick Walsh - Principal

WALK BY FAITH - for recent RCIA participants.

Walk By Faith can help to deepen your understanding of Church teaching and scripture. For more information contact: Phone 0800 217 411; or email: c.piper@tci.ac.nz or j.atabelo@tci.ac.nz

PLEASE NOTE:

This Criteria Must Be Followed,
St Mary's Church Hall and
St Michael's Crypt
CANNOT
be used without first being booked
through the Parish Office.
Contact: Andrea 348 0289 ext. 2.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Leader: Tai Waititi



POPE FRANCIS QUOTES:

“ Let us never place conditions on God! Entrusting ourselves to the Lord means entering into his plans without demanding anything.”



THE ROSARY

Is prayed Monday, Thursday and Friday mornings at 8.15am, in the Church where Mass will be celebrated that day, **and also** before the 5.30pm Tuesday Mass. All welcome.

THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Is prayed after Holy Mass at St Mary's, in the Chapel of God's Mercy, Monday Wednesday & Friday, also on Tuesday and Thursdays at St Michael's following the Mass

LAST WORD

We enter the depths of LOVE by responding willingly and walking compassionately;

- With those who are seeking healing and wholeness
- With those who are seeking food and water
- With those who are seeking clothing and shelter
- With those who are seeking freedom and justice
- With those who are seeking knowledge and understanding

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:

1. Isaiah 56:1, 6-7
2. Romans 11:13-15, 29-32
3. Matthew 15:21-28

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

1. Isaiah 22:19-23
2. Romans 11:33-36
3. Matthew 16:13-20

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

O God, let all the nations praise you!

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH

ST MARY'S CHURCH

MASS TIMES	INTENTIONS	CONFESSIONS	MASS TIMES	INTENTIONS	CONFESSIONS
Saturday 5pm (Vigil)	Apolosio Ioakimi & Tofua Lomano RIP	4.20pm to 4.45pm	Sunday 10am	Parishioners' Intentions	
Sunday 8am	Jadwiga McLeod Repose of the Soul		Sunday 5pm	Lim Dominic RIP	
Tuesday 5.30pm	Iovene Salvatore RIP	5.05pm to 5.20pm	Monday 9am	Eileen Ellery RIP	
Thursday 9am	Hema Jayasuria Intentions	Straight After Mass	Wed. 12.05pm	Jadwiga McLeod Repose of the Soul	11.15am to 11.45am
			Friday 9am	Jadwiga McLeod Repose of the Soul	8am to 8.30am