

# 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

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ YR A - 18th June 2017

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**Deadline for newsletter:**

Thursday 11am

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

The Parish this year is holding a Mission which will be led by the Catholic Discipleship College. It will involve both the Parish and our schools. Fr Dominique their chaplain and 12 others, mainly young people who are studying at the Discipleship College, will be leading the Mission for us. It begins on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July to Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August. Please put these dates in your diary and pray for God's blessing on our upcoming Mission.

A new group of people have just started RCIA and if you know of others who would be interested in becoming Catholic please get them to contact Deacon John Limrick [johnlimrick@gmx.com](mailto:johnlimrick@gmx.com) or myself or give us their details. Please keep these people in your prayers as they begin the journey of joining the Church.

The next Catholics Returning Home programme begins again next month. Please take note of the advert in the newsletter. We always want to invite Catholics to return to the practice of their faith and a course like this really helps them to return and refresh their faith. There is no harm in inviting family members, workmates and neighbour to consider doing the programme.

Finally we are short of people to read at the Vigil Mass at St Michael's. If you can assist please email your names to Hema hemajayasuria@xtra.co.nz

Kind regards and God bless.

*Fr Eamon Kennedy*

## CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

You are invited to attend a refresher course for Catholics wanting to return to the practice of their Catholic faith.

This will run weekly on Tuesday nights commencing 4th July 2017 for four weeks until 25th July, 7.00 pm at St Mary's, corner of Seddon and Ranolf Street.

For further enquiries, please email Fr. Eamon Kennedy at: [freamonkennedy@gmail.com](mailto:freamonkennedy@gmail.com)

### N.Z.CATHOLIC - On Sale Today \$4

Headlines from this issue of NZ Catholic:  
Kiwi priest gets award un USA... National Catholic youth festival in December... Voices raised against Seymour bill... Catholic criticism of Trump climate change move. The next issue of NZ Catholic will be published on July 2.

### DOVE PRAYER GROUP FOR WOMEN

Will meet at the home of Bebe Woods, 8 Douglas St, on Tuesday June 20th at 11.00am for praise, worship, prayer and ministry followed by a shared lunch. Everybody most welcome. Enquiries: Bebe 346 1651

### 'PETERS' PENCE' COLLECTION

This weekend is the 'Peter's Pence' collection, an opportunity for us to financially support the charitable and humanitarian work of Pope Francis. The collection also supports the important pastoral offices which enable the Holy Father to carry out his work including the Pontifical Councils for Justice and Peace, Laity, Family and Life, and the promotion of Christian Unity, to name just a few. The agencies, councils, congregations, offices and departments that form part of the Curia are vital for the universal mission of the Church and the pastoral reach of Pope Francis. Thank you for your support of this annual collection and please continue to pray for Pope Francis and his intentions.

### PARISH TO PARISH "B & B"

Book is available, NZ and Australia for Catholics to enjoy hospitality for \$35 for one person, or for two or more, \$30 each, to receive a directory send \$15 to Marie Anderson, 2 Brent Place, Christchurch 8053. email: [marie.ian@xtra.co.nz](mailto:marie.ian@xtra.co.nz) if you wish to become a host I'd love to hear from you and answer any questions you may have.

### CENTRAL WAIKATO VOICE FOR LIFE

The AGM will be held on Sunday 25 June at 2.00pm at Hillcrest Chapel "Powerhouse", located on the corner of Masters and Morris Streets, opposite Hillcrest High School, Hamilton East. You are invited to come to hear our guest speaker, Narelle Henson speaking on "A Deadly Debate - Abortion and Euthanasia in the Media". Any queries to Margaret McDonald (07) 858 4118

### ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL, TAURANGA

2017 marks the 75th Anniversary of the commencement of St Mary's Catholic School in Tauranga. St Mary's Catholic School began in September 1942, managed and staffed entirely by the Sisters of St Joseph of Cluny, many of whom came to New Zealand from Ireland. To celebrate this significant event in the life of the school a Jubilee weekend is planned to take place on 22, 23 and 24 September 2017. To register go to [www.stmarystga.school.nz](http://www.stmarystga.school.nz)

### 150 YEARS CELEBRATION

The Parish and School of St Francis is celebrating 150 years of the Catholic Faith in Thames, with events over the weekend of 3 to 5 November 2017. We invite all ex-parishioners, pupils, teachers and clergy to join us as we commemorate this significant milestone. Please contact us for more information: [150stfrancisthames@gmail.com](mailto:150stfrancisthames@gmail.com)

### 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.

## 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 the Parish Priest, Father Eamon and also to attend a Baptism Course before having their child baptised.

The course is run by Sister Carina and Bernadette Hall on the first Thursday of each month at 7pm (excluding January) in the Meeting Room at St Mary's

### CFC FFL CHRISTIAN LIFE SEMINAR

Every Saturday - 6.00pm, starting June 17 - July 15 2017, at St Mary's Church Hall. For more details please contact: Rumar / Nelva on 021 085 72424 or 07 349 4015.

### ASCENSION YOUTH

There will be no Youth Group today which normally follows the 5pm Mass at St Mary's.

### ST MARYS SCHOOL

Many of our students made their Sacraments last weekend. What a great event to celebrate in our young parishioners lives. It was wonderful to see so much support for them from family and the wider community also. J-Rock was also a success as many of our students performed on stage in front of a sellout crowd. Weeks of hard work and practice paid off. Special thanks to the JPC dance instructors and Annie Russell and Rebecca Daniels for all their time and co-ordination of this event. Our class prayer journals are proving popular and the children really enjoy the opportunity to contribute to the class book. The other great thing is how varied the prayer contributions have been.

*Bernadette Hall* - Director of Religious Studies

*David Macmillan* - Principal

### ST MICHAELS SCHOOL

It was with great sadness this week that we farewelled Liz Katene, a past teacher of the school, who passed away after an all-too-short short battle with cancer. Whaea Liz was loved by all during her time at our school and a group of ex-students will be planting in tree in her memory this week. We pray that she now rests in the peace of God. This week, on Friday, is our annual Speech Competition which is an event we always look forward to, with the best Senior Speaker winning the opportunity to speak at Prize Giving at the end of the year.

*Marion Brits* - Director of Religious Studies

*Shelly Fitness* - Principal

### HEALTH & 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 be recorded in the Hazard Register.**

### 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)*



## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Leader: Catriona Gordon



## THE ROSARY

Is prayed 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, Wednesday & Friday, also on Thursdays at St Michael's following the 9:00am Mass.

## POPE FRANCIS QUOTES

"People may laugh at you because you believe in the gentle and unassuming power of mercy. But, do not be afraid." *Pope Francis*



## LAST WORD

A real friend helps us think our best thoughts, do our noblest deeds, be our finest selves.

*Luke 14:10*

### READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:

1. Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16
2. 1 Corinthians 10:16-17
3. Gospel John 6:51-58

### READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

1. Jeremiah 20:10-13
2. Romans 5:12-15
3. Gospel Matthew 10:26-33

### RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH			ST MARY'S CHURCH		
MASS TIMES	INTENTIONS	CONFESSIONS	MASS TIMES	INTENTIONS	CONFESSIONS
Saturday 5pm (Vigil)	Parishioners' Intentions	4.20pm to 4.45pm	Sunday 10am	Parishioners' Intentions	
Sunday 8am	Erin Bos RIP		Sunday 5pm	Chris & Judith McLeod Intentions	
Tuesday 5.30pm		5.05pm to 5.20pm	Monday 9am	John Daley Intentions	
Thursday 9am	Yark Family Intentions	Straight After Mass	Wed. 12.05pm	Victor Gunaseehan RIP	11.15am to 11.45am
			Friday 9am	Lolita Austria RIP	8am to 8.30am