

# St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish



**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A - 24 September 2017**  
**Readings: Isaiah 55:6-9 Philippians 1:20-24, 27 Matthew 20:1-16**



**The 6th Synod of the Archdiocese of Wellington was held last weekend. Special thanks to those who attended from Ohariu Parish. Thanks to all who helped in the preparation of the Synod. Many parishioners contributed. Thanks also for the prayers offered. I for one came back from the Synod energised and confident that there is a plan for the years ahead for our Archdiocese, Parishes and Schools. Altogether, there are now 13 themes and 93 recommendations. These have been given to the Archbishop. Copies of these are available from the foyer and the Parish Website.**

**Fr Peter**



### Onslow Catholic Women's League

The next social evening for the Onslow CWL will be a **film evening** on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October** at the Penthouse Cinema in Brooklyn. We have booked the film 'Battle of the Sexes' (PG13), a comedy-drama loosely based on the famous tennis match in 1973 between Billie Jean King and Bobby Riggs; a match which became the most watched sports event of all time. The film showing will commence at 7.30pm. Tickets: \$20 per person. Nibbles and raffle. More details to follow in next week's newsletter, **but put the date in your diaries now!** All parishioners welcome, subject to ticket availability!

### SOURCE AND DESTINATION - Trafficking and Exploitation in Aotearoa New Zealand

Dr Rebecca Millar and Peter Devoy from Immigration NZ will speak about what is happening in our country and make suggestions about how we can work for freedom, dignity and justice for all. Pope Francis often speaks out about the terrible scourge of the trafficking of human beings. He calls on all of us to be aware of this serious issue.

**When:** 7.30pm Monday 25 September 2017

**Where:** Anglican Church Annex, Cnr Main Road and Lyndhurst Street, Tawa. Gold coin donation to cover costs.

### ANNUAL GARAGE SALE at St Peter & Paul's Hall

This year's Annual Garage Sale in support of St Peter & Paul's building fund is again being organised by the Spring of Life Fellowship on **Saturday 30 September from 8am to noon**. Bring donated goods to the Hall on Friday evening 29th from 6pm to 8pm. In addition to food and general sales the services of hairdressers & massage experts will be available. Enquiries to Gina, 021 1388149.



### First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the 47 children from Newlands and Johnsonville who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion last Sunday. It was a wonderful celebration for the children and their extended families. A big thank you to Marie Eastwood who prepared the children and Victoria Cramer from St Brigid's, who baked the cake. More pictures in the foyer at St Peter & Paul's.

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

### SUNDAY 24 September

**Farewell to Lynne** 10am St Peter & Paul's Church

**Malvina Major** Eucharistic Service 10.30am in the Chapel

**Afternoon Tea for St Andrew's Community** 2.15pm to 3.45pm at Newlands Community Centre

**Couples for Christ** Chapter Prayer Assembly 2pm -6pm St Peter & Paul's Hall

### MONDAY 25 September

**Christian Meditation** 7pm in St Benedict's foyer. All welcome.

**Faith Sharing** meeting 7pm Johnsonville.

### TUESDAY 26 September

**Legion of Mary** 10am at Jan's house. Contact 972 7557

### FRIDAY 29 September...

**Term 3 finishes** 2pm at St Brigid's and 2.50 at St Ben's  
**Divine Mercy** after 6.30pm Mass at St Peter & Paul's Church.

### SATURDAY 30 September

**Annual Garage Sale** 8am to 12pm at St Peter & Paul's Church

**Grief and Loss Ministry Meeting** 9.30am in St Benedict's Presbytery.

### SUNDAY 1 October

**Malvina Major** Eucharistic Service 10.30am in the Chapel.

**SVDP Newlands Conference Meeting** after the 9am Mass in the Parish Office.

**Cuppa** at St Peter & Paul's after the 12pm Mass for Peter Bleakley's 90th.

**PLEASE SEE NOTICE BOARD IN CHURCH FOYER FOR MORE INFORMATION ON EVENTS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE**

### Preference Certificates

To obtain a Preference Certificate for entry to a Catholic School please contact the Parish Office. Email [ohariuparish@clear.net.nz](mailto:ohariuparish@clear.net.nz)

## PARISH NOTICES

### 100 Years of Fatima- Family Pilgrimage!

30 September (Sat)- 1 October (Sun)

**Day Pilgrimage: (30 Sept)** Assembly at 7am - Our Lady of Fatima Church, Tawa. Travel to Marian sites in Kapiti, Waikanae and Otaki. Ends with a Family Picnic.

**Weekend Pilgrimage:** From Otaki, pilgrims sleep in Rotorua and travel to the National Shrine of our Lady of Fatima, Meadowbank, Auckland to attend 9.30am Mass on Sunday.

For more details, please call Patricia at 0220289737 or email [info@marriageandfamily.org.nz](mailto:info@marriageandfamily.org.nz)

### St Ben's Grief and Loss Ministry - September meeting

This group will meet in the St. Benedict's presbytery on Saturday 30 Sept after the 9am Mass. The Ministry walks alongside any parishioner who is experiencing loss in any shape or form. Anyone with an interest in this work is welcome to attend our meetings, or if you know of someone who may need our support, please let us know. This is a very rewarding Ministry that speaks of Stewardship in practical ways with meetings kept to an absolute minimum. Any enquiries please phone Natalie Brockie 973 5553 or email [natalie.brockie@icloud.com](mailto:natalie.brockie@icloud.com).

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please remember in your prayers those who are ill: Malia Lemalu, Cheryl Austin, Sister Mary Gordon, Mary Cummins, Therese Walsh, Tabea Squire, Loretta Donworth, Lisa Talty, Alex Lines, Lamar Aspinall.

**Peter Bleakley's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday:** After the 12pm Mass on 1<sup>st</sup> October, there is a cuppa and shared food to celebrate Peter's birthday in the Parish Hall. All are most welcome and if you are coming, please bring a plate of finger food.

### Newlands Community Afternoon Tea

The Catholic community of St Andrew's Church are invited to their afternoon tea at the Newlands Community Centre on the 24th of September from 2.15pm to 3.45pm. Let's get together and recapture our community spirit. For those needing assistance with transport to and from the venue please contact Marushka on 021 815 264 or 477 4990.

### LIFE TEEN SUMMER CAMP AOTEAROA

Are you 18+ and looking for your next faith-related adventure? Life Teen Summer Camp is currently looking for Summer Missionaries for their upcoming camp! Camp will run from the 13th till 21st January 2018 in Otaki. Life Teen Summer Camp is a great way for young people to engage in their Catholic faith (and serve teenagers from all over New Zealand). For information visit or email [lifeteensummercampnz@gmail.com](mailto:lifeteensummercampnz@gmail.com)

**Open Home Foundation International** is raising funds for its project of supporting impoverished children and families in Lusaka, Zambia. **We are holding a Quiz evening** at the Khandallah Town Hall, on Friday 13th October at 7pm. We would welcome your support. Please see notice in the foyer for further details or ring Ewen Laursen on 4787108.

**Vinnie's shop in Khandallah** particularly needs more quality men's and women's clothing.

**Parish Feast Day** (St Francis of Assisi) Wednesday October 4th. The Masses in the Parish to be celebrated with some solemnity. There will be a special Mass at 11am at St Peter & Paul's with morning tea afterwards. All welcome

**1st Friday morning tea** at St Benedict's on October 6. Hospitality Jackie & Barbara

### Upcoming events in the Archdiocese

**26 September 7.30pm Holy Hour** at Sacred Heart Cathedral

**27 & 28 September 9.30am to 1pm Grace Anointing Retreat** at St Theresa's Church in Karori.

**30 Sept-1 Oct Vinnies Bi-Annual Book Fair** St Anne's Church Hall, Newtown

**30 Sept 1.30-5pm** Become a **Sister of Mercy**. Contact Sister Stephanie on 04-8198312 or [skit2@xtra.co.nz](mailto:skit2@xtra.co.nz)

**15 October 2-4pm Multicultural Mission Concert** at St Patrick's in Kilbirnie.

**29 October** St Benedict's School Spring Fair

**12 November** St Brigid's School Fair

### REMEMBERING THE HOLY SOULS - MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

RIP Fr Eric Ulrich, Darryl Croudis Anniversaries: Ray Vaughan



# St Francis of Assisi



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**St Peter & Paul's Church**  
37 Dr Taylor Tce, Johnsonville  
Saturday Vigil 5pm  
Sunday Mass 9am, 10.30am, 12pm

**WEEKDAY TIMETABLE**  
Tuesday: Mass 9.15am with School  
Wednesday: Mass 11am  
Thursday: Mass 9.15am  
Friday: Mass 6.30pm

*Followed by Divine Mercy*

**St Andrew's Church**  
27 Trebann St, Newlands

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**St Benedict's Church**  
3 Everest St, Khandallah

Saturday Vigil Mass 6pm  
Sunday Mass 9am

**WEEKDAY TIMETABLE**  
Monday Liturgy of the Word 9am  
Tuesday: Liturgy 9am  
Wednesday: Mass 9.15am with School  
Thursday: Mass 9am  
Friday: Mass 9am

*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Friday 8.30am*

Saturday Mass 9am

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