

St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A - 1 October 2017
Readings: Ezekiel 18:25-28, Philippians 2:1-11, Matthew 21:28-32

Stewardship Month October 2017

'Go now, you are sent to be Stewards of Creation'

Who are we and how do we act as disciples of Jesus? Today's Gospel reading is of two sons called by their father to go and work in the vineyards, one who says he will, but doesn't; the other who said he wouldn't, but then changes his mind. It asks us to reflect on our discipleship, to examine the way we live, the extent to which we act or just pay lip service to Christ's teachings. If you are going to talk the talk, then you have to walk the walk.

"It must be said that some committed and prayerful Christians, with the excuse of realism and pragmatism, tend to ridicule expressions of concern for the environment. Others are passive; they choose not to change their habits and thus become inconsistent. So what they all need is an "ecological conversion", whereby the effects of their encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in the world around them. Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience." (Laudato Si, 217)

From the Archdiocesan Stewardship Committee

Onslow Catholic Women's League



Tickets for the upcoming CWL **film evening on Sunday 8th October**, at the Penthouse Cinema in Brooklyn, will be **on sale after both the 6pm and 9am Masses at St Benedict's** this weekend. The film is the 'Battle of the Sexes' (PG-13), 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, nibbles served from 7pm sharp! Tickets: \$20 per person. Raffles. All parishioners welcome; limited number of tickets available! Any queries, contact Margie Crook on 977 7097.

Marian Mothers



You are invited to a shared lunch on **Saturday the 7th** of October from 12pm to 2pm at St Peter and Paul's church hall.

We would like to invite families with young children to join us for this beautiful get together.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY 1 October

Malvina Major Eucharistic Service 10.30am in the Chapel

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

Welcome Ministry Cuppa after 9am Mass at St Peter & Paul's Church

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

MONDAY 2 October

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

TUESDAY 3 October

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

St Ben's Liturgy Meeting 7.30pm in Presbytery.

WEDNESDAY 4 October

Parish Feast Day Mass 11am at St Peter & Paul's Church

FRIDAY 6 October

First Friday Morning Tea 9.30am St Benedict's foyer. All welcome. Hospitality: Jackie & Barbara

Divine Mercy after 6.30pm Mass at St Peter & Paul's Church.

SLF Choir practice 7.30pm at St Peter & Paul's Church.

SATURDAY 7 October

Marian Mothers 12pm shared lunch at St Peter & Paul's

SUNDAY 8 October

Malvina Major Eucharistic Service 10.30am in the Chapel.

Onslow CWL Movie night 7.30 Penthouse Cinema

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

Prayer Focus: *Lord, teach us to be humble so that we may recognize our limitations and be open to your word.*

Columban Calendars now available in the Foyer \$12 each

PARISH NOTICES

Preference Certificates

To obtain a Preference Certificate for entry to a Catholic School please contact the Parish Office. Email ohariuparish@clear.net.nz

Next Week's Readings

Isaiah 5:1-7 Philippians 4:6-9
Matthew 21:33-43

WELCOME MINISTRY

We warmly invite all parishioners and visitors to join us for a cup of tea, coffee or hot chocolate at the rear of St Peter and Paul's Church after the 9am Mass, on Sunday, 1 October.

Those who have recently arrived in the parish are especially welcome. It takes just a few minutes and is an easy opportunity to meet new people and chat with old friends.

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

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

Welcom News

- ♦ Synod '17 weekend, Wellington, 15-17 September – Cardinal John Dew.
- ♦ Rome shifts responsibility of liturgical translations back to national Conferences of Bishops – Bishop Charles Drennan.
- ♦ Suzanne Aubert celebration day 1 October and Sisters of Compassion celebrate 125 years.
- ♦ Day Prayer to Respect Life, Sunday 8 October – Fr Neil Vaney.
- ♦ World Mission Sunday, 22 October – Fr Bernard Espiritu.

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 Laurenson on 4787108.

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.



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

Upcoming events in the Archdiocese

- 13 October** 7pm Quiz Evening for Open Home Foundation
- 15 October** 2-4pm **Multicultural Mission Concert** at St Patrick's Parish Hall in Kilbirnie.
- 16 October** 6.30pm The Rising Tide at 22-30 Hill St.
- 21 October** 1.15pm **Dove Women's Fellowship Meeting** at Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace. 25th Anniversary
- 22 October** Mission Sunday
- 29 October** St Benedict's School Spring Fair
- 12 November** St Brigid's School Fair
- 13-21 January 2018** Life Teen Summer Camp is coming

DOVE NOTICE for all women

Please come and celebrate with us our 25th anniversary of Dove Women's Fellowship Wellington at our meeting to be held on Saturday 21st October 2017 at 1.15pm. Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace.

We begin our new Current of Grace season with guest speaker Sandra Kinney. For further information contact Shura Price 04 3899938

REMEMBERING THE HOLY SOULS - MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

RIP: Peter Ramsbottom, Glynne McCarthy

Anniversaries: Rodrigo Rasalan, Jose Rasalan, Graham Weakley, Johan Hermon



St Francis of Assisi



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Ph (04) 478 7137

St Andrew's Church
27 Trebann St, Newlands

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

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St Benedict's Church
3 Everest St, Khandallah
Saturday Vigil Mass 6pm
Sunday Mass 9am

WEEKDAY TIMETABLE
Tuesday: Mass 9.15am
Wednesday: Mass 11am
Thursday: Mass 9.15am
Friday: Mass 6.30pm
Followed by Divine Mercy

WEEKDAY TIMETABLE
Monday Liturgy of the Word 9am
Tuesday: Liturgy 9am
Wednesday: Mass 9am
Thursday & Friday: Mass 9am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Friday 8.30am
Saturday Mass 9am

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