

St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish



27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A - 8 October 2017
Readings: Isaiah 5:1-7, Philippians 4:6-9, Matthew 21:33-43

Stewardship Month October 2017 **'Go now, you are sent to be Stewards of Creation'**

The tenants in the Gospel story thought they were entitled to do what they were doing, that they had dominion over the vineyard. But it belonged first to the land owner who entrusted them to care for it and prepare an abundant harvest. What are the vineyards today that we have been asked to work in, to care for, to grow, to give back with increase to God?

"This sister [our common home] now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her. We have come to see ourselves as her lords and masters, entitled to plunder her at will. The violence present in our hearts, wounded by sin, is also reflected in the symptoms of sickness evident in the soil, in the water, in the air, in all forms of life. (Laudato Si: 2)

From the Archdiocesan Stewardship Committee

Spring of Life Fellowship (SLF) extends a huge thanks to our parishioners and benefactors who supported, in one way or the other, our **Garage Sale** last weekend. Funds raised for our cause amounted to \$2285.60 - God be praised!



PARISH ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY 8 October

Malvina Major Eucharistic Service 10.30am in the Chapel
Onslow CWL Movie night 7.30pm Penthouse Cinema
Rosary Glynne McCarthy 7pm St Peter & Paul's

MONDAY 9 October

Christian Meditation 7pm in St Benedict's foyer. All welcome.
Funeral Glynne McCarthy 11am St Peter & Paul's

TUESDAY 11 October

Legion of Mary 10am at Jan's house. Contact 972 7557.
Finance Committee Meeting 7pm in St Peter & Paul's Presbytery.

THURSDAY 13 October

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7.30pm in St Peter & Paul's Church Hall.
Music Group Practice 7.30 St Ben's Church

FRIDAY 14 October

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

SUNDAY 15 October

Malvina Major Eucharistic Service 10.30am in the Chapel.
SVDP Newlands Conference Meeting after the 9am Mass in the Parish Office.

MONDAY 16 October—back to school

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Prayer Focus: *Lord, You have chosen us from the world, to go and bear fruit that will remain. We pray that we are worthy.*

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

Bishop Viard College is a co-educational Catholic School in the Parish next to ours. It caters for students from Year 7 to 13. There is a display in the foyer of St Peter & Paul's for more information.

Baptisms



We welcome into our Parish Family
Twins -Pippa Chrissy & Eliza Louise Owen
who are being Baptised in our Parish
this weekend.

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.

Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship Wellington

Come along and join us on Thursday 19th of October 2017 at 7:30pm for fellowship and prayer in CONNOLLY HALL, Guildford Terrace, Thorndon (behind Sacred Heart Cathedral). Speaker: Michael Powell on "New season of Current of Grace" Want to know more? Ring John Taylor (04) 389-8915 or 021-107-8538 or email: jnjtaylor@paradise.net.nz

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: Esme McGovern, Don Squire, Michael Pui-Man Hu **Anniversaries:** Paul Neazor, Mary Fabish, Benjamin Naboa



St Francis of Assisi



Parish Priest: Fr Peter Fitzgibbon
Ph (04) 478 7137

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

WEEKDAY TIMETABLE

Monday Requiem 11am
Tuesday: Mass 9.15am
Wednesday: Mass 11am
Thursday: Mass 9.15am
Friday: Mass 6.30pm

Followed by Divine Mercy

St Andrew's Church
27 Trebann St, Newlands

Parish Office location
37 Dr Taylor Tce, Johnsonville
Email: ohariuparish@xtra.co.nz
www.stfrancisohariu.nz
Phone 478 7137

Fr Doug Shepherd
Ph (04) 479 7777

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 9am
Thursday & Friday: Mass 9am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Friday 8.30am
Saturday Mass 9am

St Benedict's School, Khandallah - Ph 04 479 6878 E-mail: office@st-benedicts.school.nz
St Brigid's School, Johnsonville - Ph 04 478 6516 E-mail: office@stbrigids.school.nz

Next Week's Readings

Isaiah 25:6-10a; Philippians 4:10-14, 19-20;
Matthew 22:1-14

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, Ajith Nissangarathchie.



NZ Catholic is out now. Some headlines are: In Rome, NZ expert speaks out on abuse. Current of Grace conference in Palmerston North. Historic Catholic Maori hui for Auckland. Spirit flows at Wellington's sixth synod

Alpha begins again on Tuesday 17 October at 7.00pm, at St Patrick's Church, Kilbirnie. To enrol please call or text John Rogers 0272328488 or Kim von Lanthen 0222426288

Upcoming events in the Archdiocese

- 13 October** 7pm Quiz Evening for Open Home Foundation
- 15 October** 1-3pm Celebrating Our Lady's birthday at St Josephs Church Upper Hutt
- 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.
- 19 October** 7.30pm **Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship Wellington** Fellowship and Prayer. Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace. Speaker: Michael Powell.
- 19 October** 7pm **St Pat's Old Boys'** Association Annual Dinner, SPC Hall, Kilbirnie. Speakers: Paul Eagle & Greg O'Connor.
- 21 October** 1.15pm **Dove Women's Fellowship Meeting** at Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace. 25th Anniversary
- 22 October** Mission Sunday
- 28 October** Open Day at St Gerard's Monastery 10am to 4pm
- 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. www.lifeteen.nz/mission