

# St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish



**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 9 September 2018**

**Readings:** Isaiah 35:4-7; James 2:1-5; Mark 7:31-37

## **Social Justice Week 9th—15th September**



*Each of us has a part to play, a gift to share, a service to offer, for building up the Body of Christ in love.* – Pope Francis

Social Justice Week occurs every September and is promoted by the New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference. Every year we focus on a social justice issue in New Zealand, and this year we are focussing on removing obstacles that prevent those of us with disabilities from fully participating in society. Our theme is "Enabling Communities: Everyone has a part to play."

Let us take up the challenge to promote full participation for every person in our communities.

## **St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish Position Paper August 2018**

This document with a questionnaire was attached to the newsletter 26<sup>th</sup> August. It should be read in connection with an earlier document entitled *FOR THE INFORMATION OF ALL OHARIU PARISHIONERS*. This earlier document was attached to the Parish Newsletter 12<sup>th</sup> August along with the fundraising proposal of St Andrew's Church Committee.

Both documents together with the full Newlands presentation may be found online at [www.stfrancisohariu.nz](http://www.stfrancisohariu.nz) Paper copies are also available in church foyers.

Please return completed questionnaires in a sealed envelope placed in the collection basket at Mass, marked CONFIDENTIAL TO THE PARISH PRIEST.

## **Gifts and Talents**

There will be an opportunity to offer your Gifts and Talents within the Parish of St Francis of Assisi soon.

The Parish Council will be making an announcement and providing a signup sheet at the following Masses:

- ◆ **This weekend** at St Benedict's.
- ◆ **Next weekend, Sept 15/16** at St Peter & Paul's.
- ◆ Date to be advised for St Andrew's.

Please consider carefully what talents you have so that our Parish communities may flourish.

## **The St Benedict's Loss and Grief Ministry 2018 Information Evening**

A panel of speakers, who are knowledgeable in their own field of expertise, will begin to explore the difficult subject of SUICIDE. The evening includes discussion and supper. All are invited.

### **Hold me close...**

**Understanding and supporting people affected by Suicide  
Thursday 13 September, 7pm  
St Benedict's Church, 3 Everest Street, Khandallah**

## **PARISH ACTIVITIES**

### **SUNDAY 9 September**

**Malvina Major Eucharistic Liturgy** 10.30am in Chapel.  
**Newlands St Vincent de Paul Conference** 10.45am at St Andrew's Newlands in the Chapel.  
**St Peter & Paul's 1st Holy Communion** Mass at 2pm.  
**St Andrew's** shared lunch after Mass

### **MONDAY 10 September**

**Christian Meditation Group** 7pm St Ben's. All welcome.

### **THURSDAY 13 September**

**St Benedict's Loss and Grief Ministry Information Evening** 7pm at St Benedict's Church.

### **FRIDAY 14 September**

**Legion of Mary** 10.30am in St Andrew's Newlands Lounge.  
**St Brigid's School Mass** 11.15am at St Peter & Paul's Church.  
**Rosary and Divine Mercy** 6.30pm in St Andrew's Chapel.

### **SUNDAY 16 September**

**Malvina Major Eucharistic Liturgy** 10.30am in Chapel.  
**Couples for Christ** 1.30pm at St Peter & Paul's Church Hall.

Our Priests will be attending the Clergy Assembly to be held in Christchurch from Monday 10 September to Friday 14 September



## **First Holy Communion**

Please keep in your prayers the 56 children who are to receive their First Holy Communion at 2pm at St Peter and Paul's Church this Sunday.

**St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish Bank Account Number 02-0524-0203642-000**

## PARISH NOTICES



### Baptisms:

We welcome into our Parish  
**Ava, Max and Joshua Bowmaker**  
who are being Baptised in our Parish this weekend.

### Shared lunch at St Andrew's church after Mass this Sunday - the 9th of September

Sharing food and camaraderie with our families. Please remember the young people from our church who are receiving their first communion this Sunday and those that received their first communion last Sunday. We will celebrate with them shortly - please keep them in your prayers

### IN MEMORIAM - A Tribute Concert

"Praying for those we miss" will be held on Sunday, Nov 25, the Feast of Christ the King at 3pm at our Lady of Fatima Church, 169 Main Rd. Tawa. It will feature sacred songs sung by Catholic tenor Joe Moorman. Entry by Koha. To sponsor a song in honour of your loved one, or to advertise in the souvenir programme, please contact 022 028 9737 or [patricia@marriageandfamily.org.nz](mailto:patricia@marriageandfamily.org.nz). All proceeds to go towards the work of promoting marriage and family.

**Tertiary Scholarships -The Suzanne Aubert Tertiary Scholarship** provides financial assistance to tertiary students from Wellington and Palmerston North Dioceses for their third year of tertiary studies. Please apply through [www.compassion.org.nz/latest-news](http://www.compassion.org.nz/latest-news) or the Facebook page by 31 October 2018. Contact Sr Lusiana Raratini at [sr.lusi@compassion.org.nz](mailto:sr.lusi@compassion.org.nz)

### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please remember those who are ill: Mary Cummins, Tabea Squire, Loretta Donworth, Peter Bleakley, Frances Willetts, Beven Francisco, Graham Commins, Stan George, Therese Walsh, Argea Fabris-Hall, Seniorita Laukau, Ryan McLellan.



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

**Recently Deceased:** Patricia Hollis, Veronica Montgomery

**Anniversaries:** John Fonseca (uncle of Tony de Joux), Peter Cross, Joan Prior, Margaret Johnstone, Aida Anderson, Pio Estipona, Salvacion Estipona

# St Francis of Assisi



**Parish Priest: Fr Peter Fitzgibbon**  
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**St Peter & Paul's Church**  
37 Dr Taylor Tce, Johnsonville

**Saturday Vigil 5pm**  
**Sunday Mass 9am, 10.30am**

#### WEEKDAY TIMETABLE

**Tuesday: Liturgy 9.15am with school**  
**Wednesday: Liturgy 11am**  
**Thursday: Liturgy 9am**  
**Friday: School Mass 11.15am**

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

**Sunday Mass 12pm**

#### WEEKDAY TIMETABLE

**Friday: Rosary followed by Divine Mercy**  
**6.30pm**

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**St Benedict's Church,**  
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**Saturday Vigil Mass 6pm**  
**Sunday Mass 9am**

#### WEEKDAY TIMETABLE

**Monday: Liturgy 9am**  
**Tuesday: Liturgy 9am**  
**Wednesday: Liturgy 9.15am**  
**Thursday: Liturgy 9am**  
**Friday: Liturgy 9am**  
**Saturday: Mass 9am**

### Next Week's Readings:

Isaiah 50:5-9; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35

### Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese

**15 September: Vigil for the Unborn** Starts at 10 am with Mass at St Anne's Catholic Church, Newtown. Ends at 12pm. For information, contact Family Life International NZ Ph: 2378343

**15 September: Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women Meeting** 1.15pm at St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria. Speaker: Eileen Romanos. All women welcome. Enquiries Shura 3899938.

**20 September: Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship Wellington** from 7pm fellowship for 7.30pm start at the Loaves and Fishes Hall next to the Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth streets Thorndon. Speaker: Cardinal John Dew, back from the 'World Meeting of Families' in Ireland and about to go to Rome.

**21 September: St Patrick's College Art Exhibition** 6.30pm - 9.30pm in St Patrick's College Hall. Tickets are on sale now on Eventfinda or from the College for this much-anticipated event (contact [spcpa1885@outlook.com](mailto:spcpa1885@outlook.com) or phone 939 9070). Tickets are \$25 and include light refreshments. This is a great night out to view or purchase high-quality art by more than 30 established and upcoming artists. Over 130 artworks, including ceramics and jewellery, will be available for purchase. Thank you for your support of this event which is a fundraiser for the College.

**28-30 September: MAX18NZ** A National Catholic Event for Men at King's College, Otahuhu, Auckland. Jointly organised by Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship and menALIVE. For more information, see [www.max18nz.info](http://www.max18nz.info)

**4 October: LIFEEST 2018** Seminar for youth 13 and over. 9am to 9pm. Epsom Girls Grammar School. [clare.fli@xtra.co.nz](mailto:clare.fli@xtra.co.nz)

**4 October: Caritas State of the Environment Report** at Our Lady's Home of Compassion, Island Bay.

### Garage Sale - 22 September at St Peter & Paul's Hall

St Peter & Paul's Johnsonville Garage Sale fundraising drive on **Saturday, 22 Sept, 8am to 12pm at SPP Hall.**

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