



St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish

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Trinity Sunday 26 May 2024, Year B

Readings: Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40, Romans 8:14-17, Matthew 28:16-20

26 May 2024 – Trinity Sunday – “Go, make disciples”

The first thing Jesus did when he began his public ministry was to get a group together and form them into a team, giving them a sense of belonging, often over a meal.

Over three years they came to believe in him as the Messiah, the Anointed One of God. He instructed them as to how they were to act as a community. In today's gospel we hear Jesus give them the Great Commission: “Go, make disciples of all the nations, baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you”.

Notice the order: form the group; give them a sense of belonging; teach them, and then faith-based action will follow, living as Jesus instructed us to.

Today we bless the 60 or so children and young people who are continuing their sacramental formation. Their parents and caregivers will spend time reflecting on the sacraments of reconciliation, confirmation and Eucharist – equipping them to carry out the responsibility of raising them in the faith, the commitment they made at their child's baptism. We will help them along the way.

This is very much a whole of parish effort: facilitators for the parent sessions, leaders for the young people's sessions, liturgy and music leadership, and a preparedness to “make space” in our limited facilities so all this can happen.

As we bless our young people, let us also continue to pray for them on their sacramental journey. As they too prepare to “go make disciples”.

Joe Green

Parish Information

Parish Council

The parish leadership team thank those who have made nominations for the Parish Pastoral Council. As we move forward with the discernment process we ask you to continue to pray for guidance.

Sacramental Programme 2024

Thank you to everyone who has enrolled their child in the Sacramental Programme.

The Sacramental Programme for the children begins this weekend with the Blessing of all Candidates during our 10am Trinity Sunday Mass, followed by the first Reconciliation Session.

(*there will be no hospitality after the 10am Mass this weekend)

Sacramental Dates:

Reconciliation dates:

26th May, Blessing of **all candidates** at Mass, then
11.15 –12.15pm (Session)

5th June 6.30– 7.30pm (practical)

13th June First Reconciliation

Confirmation Date - **18th August - 2.00pm**



Parking

St Brigid's school grounds are open for Sunday Mass parking, from **9.00am – 12.00pm**. Please do not park or drive on the grass.

Please make sure you have your car out of the school grounds by **12.00pm** as the gates will be closed and locked after this time.

Can you also be mindful when parking in the church carpark that you don't block the driveway or other cars. We understand the weekends are very busy, but if you can be considerate and show kindness, it would be very much appreciated.

Many thanks for your cooperation with this.

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HAVE YOU TRIED ALPHA?
MEET NEW PEOPLE AND EXPLORE FAITH TOGETHER
JOIN US THIS TUESDAY
AT 7PM IN THE PARISH HALL.
EMAIL alpha@stfrancisohariu.nz or
talk to one of our team after Mass to register.

A Thank you from Refugee Migrant Support

Thank you!

This is a huge thank you to the organisers of the Family Group Housie night for their generosity in donating \$500 to the parish Refugee and Migrant support fund. They also generously donated \$500 to Wellington Free Ambulance. The evening was very well run by a small team, and was great fun for the many families who came.

Regarding the Refugee and Migrant outreach, in the twelve months since a similar donation last year, the parish has set up (either as lead or as a significant contributor) fifteen households. That means furniture, electrical items, white ware, bedding, pots/pans, cutlery, kitchen appliances, and food for fifteen families. This is a massive achievement and a tribute to the generous donations of cash, good quality goods and time from parishioners and our partner agencies. Thank you one and all.

We could do with more warm bedding at the moment; duvets, woollen blankets.

Please contact me; Jo-Anne Carley jo-anne@stfrancisohariu.nz phone 022 300 7413.

Parish Information

Children's liturgy

There will be no children's liturgy this Sunday 26th May (as a result of the Sacramental Programme starting)

Malvina Major Anointing Mass:

An Anointing Mass will be celebrated in the Chapel-Reflection on Tuesday 28 May at 10 30am.

Enquiries: Judith: 021 203 1144

The Archdiocesan Pastoral Council (APC) is the canonical body that provides pastoral advice to the Archbishop. From time to time the APC holds its meetings in a parish - to get to know parishioners and parish life on the ground.

On **Friday 24 May 2024** St Francis of Assisi Ohariu is hosting the APC, starting with light finger food in the hall at **6.45pm**. This is an opportunity for parishioners to mix and mingle with the Archbishop's advisors. This meeting will be of particular interest to those active in ministry, or those contemplating becoming active in ministry. However, all are welcome. Please bring a plate with finger food to share.

Prayer for our Parish of St. Francis of Assisi Ohariu.

Loving God, as members of our Parish of St. Francis of Assisi Ohariu, we come before you in a spirit of love, prayer and thanksgiving.

We pray you bind us together in love. Whatever our age, cultural background and individual roles within our parish, may we be one together in Jesus. May we accept, affirm and support one another.

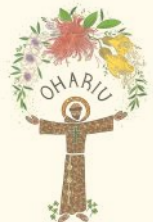
In your service we offer you our talents and gifts so as to build your Loving Presence amongst us. May our Parish be vibrant with your love and always a place of welcome

May your Holy Spirit anoint us, inspire us, and send us out into the community as witnesses to you and your love and teaching. May we have the courage and compassion to reach beyond our church to the peripheries to those who are most vulnerable and in need.

May your Holy Spirit draw others to you through us.

*We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen*

St. Francis of Assisi pray for us, and guide us.



Other Events/Notices

Christian Meditation

A Christian Meditation groups meets:

Mondays, at 7.00 - 7.45pm in the Committee Room, Uniting Church, J'Ville
Meditation is not something new to Christianity. It is rooted in the gospel and in Paul's letters. Also known as contemplative prayer, meditation is the ecumenical prayer of silence and listening.

"Be still and know that I am God" - Psalm 46.:10

To learn more about Christian Meditation ring Linda or Nick Polaschek, ph: (04) 479 7955 or simply come along any Monday evening.

The World Community for Christian Meditation has a comprehensive website: www.wccm.org

Erskine Chapel

All Erskine Old Girls and Staff are invited to a service at Erskine Chapel, Avon Street, Island Bay, on **Saturday 8th June at 9.30am**. Service starts at 10.00am. The chapel will be open for old girls and staff to visit from 12.30 to 2.30pm.

Please register <https://bit.ly/3T8oEz7> ,
monicatresch@gmail.com

Volunteers required at our Sacred Heart Cathedral

In 2018 the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart closed for earthquake strengthening and restoration. Next month it will finally be reopening, although all the work will not yet be completed.

The Cathedral, the 'Mother church of our Archdiocese', is a beautifully restored, peaceful, and prayerful space for visitors, people working in central Wellington and parishioners to worship, and drop by for a time of prayer, adoration, and reflection.

It is desired that the Cathedral is open between 10.00am and 3.00pm weekdays. However, this is only possible with the assistance of volunteers, Cathedral Guardians. We are seeking people who to fill regular weekly, or bi-weekly time slots of either 10.00am-1.00pm or 1.00-3.00pm.

During the cruise ship season the Cathedral also receives many visitors wanting to visit the Cathedral and hear about its history. If you would like to know more about this hospitality role, please contact the Cathedral Parish Office on 496 1700 or cathedral.parish@wn.catholic.org.nz

Other Events/Notices

Te Ngākau Tapu (Sacred Heart Parish)

Mass is held at every Friday at 12.05pm.

Te Ngākau Tapu
20 Kenepuru Drive
Porirua 5022

All are welcome to join us...

Quote

'Jesus' last message to his disciples is the mandate to *depart*: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations" (Mt 28:19). It is a clear mandate, not just an option! The Christian community is a community "going forth", "in departure". More so: the Church was born "going forth".'

Pope Francis



25 MAY
DOORS OPEN 6:00PM
7:00PM START

St Patrick's College Hall
581 EVANS BAY PARADE,
KILBIRNIE, WELLINGTON

KOHA UPON ENTRY TO RAISE FUNDS FOR
CHALLENGE 2000 SERVICES AND PROGRAMMES

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week**

Loving for Life - Educating for Love and fullness of Life

Loving for Life NZ run programmes grounded in Christian teaching and medical expertise.

These programmes are a great way to introduce your child or teen to a holistic vision for their relationships.

The following programmes will be on offer in Wellington:

Toward Loving - 18 June 5:30pm - 8:00pm

Mother/Caregiver & Daughters - Year 7- 8 students (11-13 yrs)

Father/Caregiver & Sons - Year 7- 8 students (11-13 yrs)

Suggested donation \$30 per parent/child pair (includes dinner/supper)

Russell Keown House, Cnr Queens Drive & Laings Rd, Lower Hutt

For info/registration email info@lovingforlife.org.nz

Other Events/Notices

Fundraiser Movie

Join us for this special fundraiser event and support the young people going to the GENFEST in Brazil in July 2024 – an international summit organized by the youth section of the Focolare Movement, to bring together ideas and experiences on how to make the world more peaceful and fraternal.

The movie is **Garfield** to be shown at the Lighthouse cinema 52 Beach St, Petone.

When:- Sunday 16 June at 5pm arrive from 4.30pm Tickets:- \$20

Contact:- Ian 022 544 3872 or Gloria 02 2193 1957

St Patrick's College Open Day Tours - May 2024

It is with pleasure that I invite you to register to attend one of our Open Day Tours which are to be held on Tuesday 28 May between 10.00am to 11.30am and from 12.30pm to 2.00pm, and again on Thursday 30 May at the same times.

To make a booking please either email admin@stpats.school.nz with your request or to make a booking yourself visit the St Patrick's College website: <https://www.stpats.school.nz>

On the front page of our website you will see a drop down menu labelled 'Enrolment' and if you click on that and scroll down on the left hand side you will see a tab for **Open Day**.

Open this section and click on the Blue button – Sign up.
A reminder email will be sent closer to your booked day.

Open Day is a chance for parents to visit our College and learn about the opportunities and experiences that we offer across Years 9 to 13.

Mike Savali
TUMUAKI | RECTOR



St Patrick's College

WELLINGTON

Hato Patariki ki Poneke

RELIGIOUS SCULPTURE EXHIBITION

Be pleasantly surprised at the collection of 60 sculptured contemporary crosses made from different materials by local artist David Krstičević. On display at The Home of Compassion 2 Rhine St. Island Bay.

ALL of MAY, TUESDAY - FRIDAY 10am - 3pm & SUNDAY 26 MAY 12 - 2pm

MASS INTENTIONS

We ask for your prayers - Masses have been offered for:



Recently Deceased: David Ogilvie, Angela Roe

Anniversaries:

Prayers for the Sick: Ewen Laurenson, Anna Mika-Hunt Walsh, Terry Marks, Madonna Aspinall, Fr Joe Savesi, Rev Fiatepa Faatee, Betty Stewart, Fr David Orange, Jocelyn Whitehouse, David Clarke, Moe Pio Tafaeese, Gerard McDonagh, Jessie Hensen, Tau So'oa, John Fanning, Tony Bordignon, Domingo Basilio Navera Jr, Joe Godinet, Augafa & Sefine Pelelo, Fr Maurice Carmody, Fr Frank Maguire, Fr Kevin Purcell, Fr Peter O'Connell, Fr Frank Whitaker.

MASS & LITURGY TIMES Saturday 25th May– Friday 31st May

St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish Timetable 37 Dr Taylor Tce

Sat:	5.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun:	10.00am Mass (no hospitality following Mass)
Mon:	9.00am Liturgy
Tues:	9.15am Liturgy in the church with St Brigid's School
Wed:	11.00am Mass - followed by Morning Tea
Thurs:	9.00am Liturgy
Fri:	8.30am Exposition and 9.00am Liturgy

Please note, Reconciliation will be held every Wednesday at 10.30am before the 11am Mass. Reconciliation can be made by appointment through the Parish Office.

Our Parish Vision

**We are missionary disciples of Christ,
in a community of communities,
being transformed in our lives,
and transforming others and our world.**



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Parish Bank Account for Donations:
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