

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

*Serving the people of South Taranaki in Hawera,
Normanby and Manaia*



17th Sunday Ordinary Time
28th July 2019

Jesus was no mere myth as were the ancient Greek and Roman gods and goddesses. He was a human being who walked the face of the earth, as even pagan historians relate. The Christian claim is not merely that Jesus existed, but that he was the Son of God, the Incarnate Word of God. But his existence as a human being on this earth is something that nearly every single noteworthy scholar admits.

Part of his time on earth consisted of prayer and teaching, and this prayer known as the Our Father or the Lord's Prayer is something that scholars can attribute to the Jesus of history with great certainty. As Luke has it, the prayer includes an injunction to keep us from the final test. The astute reader immediately thinks of Jesus and his coming passion. Later in the gospel, Jesus will pray that the cup pass him by, for such a passion and death is the desire of no one, not even Jesus. But his prayer has strengthened him for such a moment. After this final test he will be raised to new life in paradise eternally. Such a future awaits us too when we will ultimately live the paschal mystery *par excellence*. *Living Liturgy 2019*©

Parish News

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION lessons begin this **Tuesday 30th July at 7.00pm** in the Parish Meeting Room & Hall. This is for all children who are baptised and have made their First Reconciliation.

For information about this programme and to register please contact the Parish Office.

Session One 30th July Session Two 6 August
Session Three 13 August Session Four 20 August
Session Five 27 August Session Six 5 September
First Communion Celebration 8th September 9.30am



PARISH INFORMATION

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(Office Hours Mon – Fri 9.00am – 12.00noon)

SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Saturday 5pm 3 August Sacred Heart Manaia
Sunday Hoani Papita 4 August 11.15am Mass

Weekday Mass Timetable

Mon 9.00am Communion Service
Tuesday 9.00am Mass
Wed 10.30am Trinity Mass
Thursday 9.00am Mass
Friday 9.00am Mass

Finance Committee meet this Wednesday 31st July in the Meeting Room at 5.30pm.

Parish Census: At the end of 2017 our Parish conducted a census for the new Pac's programme that has been implemented through the Diocese. Those on our previous parish roll who did not fill out this form will be contacted via phone to update your details. If you are new to this Parish and you have not provided us with your details, or you are a parishioner who has not filled out a census there are copies that can be filled out in the foyer, alternatively you can email stjoshw@xtra.co.nz and we can send you one to fill out.

Little Company of Mary next meeting Monday August 5th at 2pm in the Church. All welcome.

Liturgy Update At our most recent meeting of Eucharistic Ministers the subject of 'intinction' was raised. Intinction involves dipping the host into the precious blood, before consuming it. Even though this is practiced in some parts of the world, (where *the priest* dips the host into the precious blood, in a specially designed chalice before placing it on the recipient's tongue) this practise has been banned in our country by the New Zealand Bishops, for health reasons. Nobody wants other people putting their fingers in the precious blood or touching the rim of the chalice with their hands. Also, out of respect for others, please do not receive from the chalice if you have a cold or any mouth infection. The Liturgy Committee

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Rosters for September, October and November are being prepared. If you are away during this time, please give your dates to the office.

Alternatively if you wish to join one of our Parish Ministries please contact the Parish Office. We are still looking for power point operators, more greeters and people to join the cleaners roster.

Planned Giving – If you wish to give to our Parish Planned Giving, please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

The Parish Office is open 9-12 weekdays. We also have a selection of books, rosary beads, First Communion gifts and cards for sale.

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

This weekend a celebration will be held in Palmerston North to Celebrate the 50th Ordination of Mons David Bell, and Peter Fahy and the 65th Ordination of Bishop Owen Dolan.

MISCELLANEOUS

PRAYER

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for July: The Mode of Life of Priests. That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

Prayer Circle: Prayer requests can be left in the specially marked box in the foyer. This box is cleared every day. Alternatively you can contact our coordinator Sue directly on 278 4635.

Adoration Fridays at 8.15am before Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation before Saturday evening Vigil Mass at 4.30pm or anytime by contacting Fr Craig by mobile.

Evening Prayer of the Church Sundays 5.00pm.

Prayers for the Dead Prayers for the Dead: We remember and pray for all our loved ones who have died recently especially, Mahuru Robinson, Stephen Hornby, Nola Pollock, Fr Bill Casey & Nicholas Brady. We also pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time in July: Gladys Kerrisk, Joyce Dowman, Helen Harrington, June Urlich, Kevin Dombroski, Criag Norgate, Jay Litt, Graeme Henderson, Patricia Wilson, Maurice McKenna, & Gerard O'Hanlon. May they rest in peace.

Pro Life Facts: Last Tuesday, a petition opposing taking abortion out of the Crimes Act, signed by 13,000 Kiwis was presented to pro-life Members of Parliament. **For more pro-life information please visit www.voiceforlife.org.nz.**

ROSTERS

Hospitality: 28th July Annette Orchard Ph 2726524

Sunday Morning Tea: 4 August Shirley McGlinchey & Faith Carter

Church Cleaning: 2 August Sharon Kissick, Cushla Fevre, Edgar Mamangun

Flowers: 2 August Erin Wilson

Greeters: 3 August Manaia Ngaire Edwards

Greeters: 4 August Reyma Hilaga & Margaret Gulliver

Power point: 3 August Manaia

4 August Ricson Torres