

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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



**18th Sunday Ordinary Time
4 August 2019**

The reading from Luke invites us to take stock of our lives from a different perspective. When God calls us from this life, what will we have left? The old adage, "you can't take it with you", comes to mind. No matter what physical things or possessions we acquire here on earth we take nothing with us after we die. Put another way, our lives are not our possessions. A monthly checking account statement or credit card bill can become a moment of prayer. Our spending reflects our priorities.

It behoves us to step back from a desire to acquire and ask ourselves why. What is the purpose of our possessions? Rather than become rich in the eyes of the world, it is better to become rich in what matters to God. When we lift up the lowly, feed the hungry, and forgive sins of others we acquire riches in what matters to God. We have no ledger sheet or checking account to track this behaviour. Instead, it flows from our identity as Christians, living a spirituality of the paschal mystery. Living Liturgy 2019©

Parish News

Liturgy Update - Sacred Silence

The 2002 *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* speaks about the importance of silence before and during the Mass. *"Sacred silence, as part of the celebration, is to be observed at the designated times. Its purpose depends on the time it occurs in each part of the celebration. Thus, within the Act of Penitence and again after the invitation to pray, all recollect themselves; but at the conclusion of a reading or a homily, all meditate briefly on what they have heard."*

This sacred silence is one of the small but significant changes we want to implement here at St Joseph's. To help with this we have asked our readers and musicians to create a few moments of silence after each reading, for us to reflect on what we have heard. God speaks to us through the proclamation of his Word and we want to hear what he has to say. A second small change involves asking people who arrive after Mass has started to wait in the foyer if a reading is taking place, until after the reading has been completed. Please do not be offended if the Mass Coordinator asks you to wait.

The Liturgy Committee

PARISH INFORMATION

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SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Saturday 5pm 10 August St Josephs Hawera
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

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

First Holy Communion 2nd Lesson this Tuesday 6th August in the Parish Meeting Room.

Session Three 13 August Session Four 20 August
Session Five 27 August Session Six 5 September
First Communion Celebration
8th September 9.30am



We are in the process of contacting those from our Parish who did not complete a Parish Census. If you have arrived in our Parish over the last year and have not yet registered with our Parish, we would love to hear from you. There are forms available on the table in the foyer, or alternatively you can call into the Mission Centre during the week.

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

Feast of the Assumption Thursday 15th August.

Rosary Beads- We have had a request for any old or broken rosary beads. These can be left in the container in the foyer marked rosary beads.

St Mary of the Cross Feast Day 8th August

As we celebrate the feast of St Mary of the Cross, MacKillop, let us give thanks for her life dedicated to the mission of education, her concern for the poor and those living in rural areas. Let us also give thanks for the blessing she brought to our country which she loved and visited several times.

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

“Hibernian Catholic Benefit Society – St Patrick’s Branch 400 : 4.00pm, Monday 19 August 2019 Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, 197 Broadway Avenue, Palmerston North. Enquiries to Kevin Frost, Secretary, Tel (06) 3577844 or email kfassociates@xtra.co.nz”

Are you **Year 13** and heading to a new city? We have Catholic chaplaincies all around the country to help support you as you transition out of home! Line, our **Catholic Tertiary Chaplain** at Massey will be visiting the Year 13 students in our Catholic colleges in September to advise them of what is on offer once you leave school! For more info, contact Nick or Line at the Youth Office!

Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School is happening 3-12 January 2020 for 18-35 year olds in Marton. Mark your diary NOW and get your annual leave sorted so you can be at this event! Contact Thom 021 246 1074.

Life Teen Summer Camp is happening TWICE is 2020! Demand for this epic Young Catholic event for 13-17 year olds is unprecedented! This is happening in 14-18th Jan and

20-24th Jan 2020!@ Snooze and you lose! Start fundraising now for your parish based group! Contact Thom 021 246 1074.

Me Tū -Vocational Discernment Retreat with +Charles. 30 August-1 September @ Magnificat Retreat Centre, Featherston. For more information, please contact Sophia bishop-pa@pndioocese.org.nz

Application Forms for Funding with Diocese PN, Catholic Charities, Tindall Foundations, Catholic Social Service, are available. Applications close on the 30th September with Allocations made 30th October. Forms available from the Mission Centre or by downloading <https://pndioocese.org.nz/news-and-events/application-for-funding/>

MISCELLANEOUS

PRAYER

Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention for August: Families Schools of Human Growth. That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly “schools of true human growth.”

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. We also pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time in August: Christine Fairweather, Francis (Jack) Murray, Lynne Yurisich, Melva Yarrow, Ron Nolan, Alexander Thomson and Ian Houghton. May they rest in peace.

Pro Life Facts: Abortion kills a human individual who is going through the early stages of human development. Given the opportunity to be born, the same individual will progress through further stages of development, at no point becoming more or less of a human being. **For more pro-life information please visit www.voiceforlife.org.nz.**

ROSTERS

Hospitality: 4 August Bev Dietschin

Sunday Morning Tea: 11 Aug Trish Coleman, Barbara Rogers

Church Cleaning: 9 Aug Carmel Lord, Pam Linn, Barbara Hurcomb

Flowers: 10 Aug Sue Williams

Greeters: 10 Aug Carroll & Janice Walsh

Greeters: 11 Aug Sue Pollock & Jill Saxton

Power point: 10 Aug Mike Brady

11 Aug Peter Orcine