



Diocese of
Palmerston North

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Parish

Palmerston North (1951)

Te Parihā o te mātou Wahine o Ruata

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LOL MASSES
5:30pm Vigil (Sat)
8:00am & 10:00am
Mon—Sat: 10:00am
RECONCILIATION
Sat: 10:30—11:00am or on request

EUCHARIST ADORATION
Fri: 10:30am—Noon & 7:00—9:00pm

RONGOTEĀ MASSES
9:30am: 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Thurs: 7:00pm



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

16th April 2017; Year A / Weekdays Year 1

Psalm Response: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Prayers of the Faithful Response: Whakarongo mai ra kia matou.

LOL GUILD 60th Anniversary Celebrations, Wednesday 3rd May 2017. Mass at LOL, 10am, Lunch: 12 noon at the Manawatu Golf Club, Centennial Drive. Lunch menu available or you can select from the food cabinet. Look forward to seeing you there. For further details contact June Lynch: 354 7686.

AED TRAINING for parish first aiders: Tuesday 16th May, 7-8:30pm in the church foyer.

LOL ANOINTING MASS will take place Wednesday 31st May at 2:00pm.

CONFIRMATION Next session Sunday 30th April, Service Afternoon, from 1pm til 6pm followed by Mass in the Cathedral. Venue – Diocesan Centre, 33 Amesbury Street. This session is the **last chance** to join this year's Palmerston-North-wide programme. It will begin with a catch-up for those who've missed any of the first 3 sessions. Then from 3-6pm we'll have our Service Afternoon.

Confirmation Sessions During May

May 7th, 4-6pm, May 14th 4-6pm

May 28th 3-6pm Sponsor/Candidate Retreat

All at the Diocesan Centre and followed by Mass at the Cathedral.

ANY WORK THAT NEEDS DOING? Elderly parishioners wanting work done around the house or garden, please contact Lucy on 021 509 436. We will arrange a group to come and do the work on March 30th for our Confirmation Service Afternoon – so please get in touch with us ASAP.

JESUS-4-REAL SENIORS CAMP Year 11-13, Next Week! 19-23th April, Paraparaumu. Be quick if you wish to register – these camps fill fast! For more information check out www.jesus4real.org.nz or contact Lucy on 021 509 349

JOSHUA MEN'S GROUP next meeting Tuesday 18th April, 7pm St Mary's Church Foyer. Speaker Mr Steven Carey. Prayer, praise, worship, fellowship. Supper to follow. All welcome. For information contact John 027 6887750 www.joshua.org.nz

ON SALE NZ Catholic \$4; Tui Motu \$7.

LOL PRAYER CHAIN: Please call **Eileen O'Connor 329 1801/021 671 755** or the Parish Office. No request is too big or too small!

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE is holding the CWL Diocesan Conference in Palmerston North, April 26-27, at the Diocesan Centre (33 Amesbury St). The nearby Broadway Motel has been set aside for those attending. Kay Blackburn the National President and Susan Dickson, National Social Concerns will be there, as well as speakers from PARS and Bev Raine, talking on the environment. For further information contact Janice Goldsworthy 06 753 6923 or janicegoldsworthy45@gmail.com

KPF PALMERSTON NORTH BRANCH would like to invite all to join our Life Spirit Programme which will start with a Mass and orientation this Sunday 1pm 22nd of April 2017 inside the church. Know more God and Jesus in an intimate way.

PROLIFE FACTS In early March, there was a flurry of online media commentary echoing the Abortion Law Reform Association of NZ's call for abortion on demand as a "health issue". The same call was made in Queensland's state parliament by Cairns MP Rob Pyne, with a private members Bill, but with a glaring difference. The NZ pro-abortionists deliberately fudged the gestational age, so as not to create a public backlash. But Rob Pyne had no such fears and his Bill called for legal abortion up to full gestation – that is up to birth. 55,000 Queenslanders signed petitions against the Bill and thousands marched outside Parliament. There were 2,800 submissions to the Parliamentary Enquiry with 80% opposed to the Bill. People prayed fervently. The clincher came when Rob Pyne checked the numbers in Parliament. He discovered he didn't have the political support and withdrew his Bill on February 17th – defeated. Two lessons for New Zealand: pro-abortionists really want abortion up to birth and Rob Pyne and his allies are now pushing for a Law Commission review, hoping the judges will support their agenda. For more pro-life info, visit www.voiceforlife.org.nz or phone 09 443 0995.

FORMER REFUGEE COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS need 8-10 people to assist them to complete funding applications to philanthropic trusts, government funders and local government. Four organisations have been registered as incorporated societies and some activities and services are already being delivered to their respective communities. However additional volunteer assistance is needed to assist with obtaining funds so more can be accomplished. If you have experience of preparing funding applications and knowledge of sources of funds, have some time and are willing to commit for a year at least, and are willing to assist please contact Gail Munro gailmunro@governancestrategies.co.nz or Ph 0273408186.

PALMERSTON NORTH VOICE FOR LIFE

invites you to our AGM on Tuesday, 18th April at 7pm at Crossroads Church 220 Church St in Palmerston North. Clare McClean will be speaking about "40 Days for Life", a prayer-filled way of promoting life by changing peoples' hearts.

SICK LIST UPDATE Please remember to contact the Parish Office if you or your relatives no longer need to be included in the "sick list".

HOSPITAL REMINDER If you know of any parishioner who enters hospital, moves into residential care or becomes housebound, please advise the Parish Office so that they can be cared for.

We Pray for the Sick: Kerrin McManus, Liu Mingquong, Vanessa Farrelly, Vinnie Carroll, Joseph Ang, Joan Lambourne, Liam Stone, Graeme Younger, Marie Wenman, Aileen Ryan, Helen Taylor, Mary Jefferies, Kevin Patterson, Ian Sutherland, Ann Fairclough, Mikulas Oros, Louis Heynen, Braxton Prentice, Anne & Bill Bethune, Katherine Denby, Toshi Sekizaki, Oliver Gillespie, Marie Hubbard, Guiseppina Dujany, Trevor Wilson & Peggy O'Donoghue.

Died Recently

Anniversaries

Requiescant in Pace

Consistory for Canonization of Little Shepherds of Fatima

On Thursday, April 20, Three Weeks before the Centenary of the Fatima Apparitions and of Francis' Trip to the Portuguese Shrine

April 11, 2017; Sergio Mora—[ZENIT](#)

The Holy Father Francis has convoked an Ordinary Public Consistory for Thursday, April 20, for some Causes of Canonization, among which are those of Francisco and Jacinta Marto, two of the little shepherds who witnessed the apparitions of Fatima.



The news was published by the Holy See Press Office this Tuesday, which indicated that the date of the meeting of Cardinals has been established three weeks before the centenary of the Marian apparitions and of the Pontiff's trip to the Fatima Shrine on May 12-13.

A Public Consistory is a meeting of the College of Cardinals, called by the Pope in the Vatican, to help him in the government of the Church. At this meeting, the Cardinals give their "placet" to the Holy Father for the Causes of Canonization. In this case, it is an Ordinary Consistory, that is, it convokes the Cardinals resident in Rome.

This news was much awaited among those devoted to Mary, to the point that the Bishop of Fatima and the Rector of the Shrine said weeks ago that they were expecting the Canonization of both shepherds who, together with deceased Sister Lucia – the diocesan phase of whose Beatification is underway – took part in the heavenly event in 1917.

The other Blesseds who will be canonized are Brazil's proto-martyrs Father Andrea Soveral and Father Ambrogio Francesco Ferro, layman Mateus Moreira and 27 other companion martyrs.

In addition, Cristobal, Antonio and Juan <will be canonized>, the "Children Martyrs of Tlaxcala," killed in Mexico out of hatred for the faith between 1527 and 1529.

Faustino Miguez, Religious of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Mother of God of the Pious Schools will also be canonized, who, ordained priest, founded the Calasanctius Institute of

Daughters of the Divine Shepherdess, for the integral education of women.

Angelo Acri (in the world Luca Falcone) priest of the Order of the Friars Minor Capuchin, and Francisco and Jacinta Marto, the little shepherds of Fatima, will also be canonized.

The Convocation reads that "in the Hall of the Consistory of the Apostolic Vatican Palace, the Holy Father Francis will preside over the celebration of Tierce of the Ordinary Public Consistory for the Canonization of the Blesseds.

Pope in His Mission of Peace, Says Archbishop Becciu

The Substitute of the State Secretariat Points out that the Holy Father Is Recognized for His Ability to Distinguish Between Religion and Terrorism

April 11, 2017; [ZENIT](#)

The attacks in Egypt will not deter Pope Francis, who has every intention to travel to that country on April 28-29, said Archbishop Giovanni Angelo Becciu, Substitute of the Holy See State Secretariat, to the Italian newspaper *Il Corriere della Sera*.

Referring to the attack, he said that "it causes

consternation and great suffering, but it will not be able to impede the Pope's carrying out his mission, adding that it is obvious that the aggressions are "an attack on dialogue and peace" and "an indirect message to those that govern the country and against the Christian minority that in recent months has found in some way more freedom."

In addition, dialogue is a way of isolating the fundamentalists and "since the beginning of ISIS the Pope wished to distinguish between acts of terrorism carried out by fanatics and religion as such. He always rejected [the idea] of associating Islam as such, with terrorism."

"The terrorists might be deviant Muslims, but not the religion. And this has obtained Muslims' gratitude to the Pope for the honesty of his position," he continued.

Moreover, "many Muslim authorities have met with the Holy Father to thank him and many others have written him in admiration of his prestigious moral authority."

Asked about the topic of arms trafficking, on which the Pope insists always, the Substitute of the State Secretariat affirmed that "whoever traffics weapons are interested in causing situations of tension and war so that these weapons are sold more and more money is earned" and "the Pope knows what is happening, what the reality is, and the lobbies that come into play."

In regard to the Pontiff's trip to Egypt, Archbishop Becciu said that "it's not the first time that situations are posed regarding security and the fear of attacks," as "in Central Africa, because of the local situation."

"We are assured that everything will go well in Egypt," added the Vatican official. "We are going

tranquilly, without hiding from the reality that at times isn't good. The Pope invites to look at the future with hope and, as usual, he wants to give an example."



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POPE OF PEACE IN EGYPT OF PEACE

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NEXT WEEK

Readings April 23rd: Acts 2:42-47; 1 Pet 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

ROSTERS: 23rd April

Church Cleaning: (April 10th) Patria Kerr & Freda Reggers

Counting: Leigh Basile

Flowers: Mary Dorn

Greeters: Vigil 5:30pm Betty Donaldson & Roselle Gouwland; **8am** Pat & Maurice McDonald; **10am** Josie Conlon

Readers: Vigil 5:30pm Rob Towers & Dot Bowe; **8am** Leigh Basile & Brian Wilkinson; **10am** TBC

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Vigil 5:30pm Hanna Brown, Monica Hammond, Lorraine & Davie Marriott & Denise Bailey; **8am** John Lynch, Raymond Jones & Kevin McKenzie; **10am** Paul Darbyshire, Julia Sissons, Martin Boyle, Mary Murrow & Mary O'Connor

Altar Servers: 10am Logan Brown & Mac Field

Children's Liturgy: School Holidays—none this week

Hospitality: 10am Cecilia Demecillo

Religious Goods/Library: Wally Semmens

Linen: Catherine Kearins

Lawns: Denise Mallon (22nd April)