



Diocese of  
Palmerston North

# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Parish

Palmerston North (1951)

Te Parihā o te mātou Wahine o Ruata

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

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

**RONGOTE MASSES**  
9:30am: 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays  
Thurs: 7:00pm



## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

13<sup>th</sup> August 2017; Year A / Weekdays Year 1

**Psalm Response:** Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

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

### ASSUMPTION DAY MASSES AT LOL

*Holy day of Obligation*

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August, 10:00am and 7:00pm

**ROSARY AT THE CATHEDRAL** Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>  
August 3:00pm. Remembrance of the Fatima  
events 100 years ago.

**VOICE FOR LIFE** There is a Petition, in the  
foyer, to Parliament to block decriminalisation of  
abortion as an abhorrent move to allow Abortion  
up to full term, 9 months, for any reason at all.  
It is available to sign after each Mass.

**PRO LIFE** notices are also available in the foyer.

**LOL COFFEE/PLAY GROUP:** Tues 9:00am-  
11:30am, church foyer. Ph Megan 355 1877.

**LOL PRAYER CHAIN:** Ph Eileen O'Connor  
329 1801/021 671 755 or the Parish Office.

### CELEBRATION OF ETHNIC SONGS & PRAISE

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August, St Mary's Church.  
Followed by afternoon tea. Ph Anne Odogwu  
356 2476. Entry by gold coin donation.



### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

requests the assistance of Parishioners  
with good quality summer clothing  
& saleable furniture for our Rangitikei  
St shop. Sales have improved

considerably in recent months & we are now in  
need of new stock. Clothing can be dropped off at  
the shop [opposite Countdown]. Shop hours are  
Mon-Fri 10am-4pm, Sat 10am-1pm. Furniture can  
be collected in our St Vinnies truck—ph 3576779  
to arrange a pickup time. Thanks to all those who  
have donated clothing, furniture & food in the past.  
Food is an ongoing requirement & at present we are  
short on baked beans, spaghetti, sugar, longlife milk,  
spreads & rice.

**JOSHUA MEN'S GROUP** meeting Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>  
August, 7:00pm Our Lady of Lourdes Church (note  
venue change). Feast of the Assumption, prayer,  
praise, worship, fellowship. Mr Nick Wilson will be  
speaking after Mass. Supper to follow. All welcome.  
Contact John 027 6887750 [www.joshua.org.nz](http://www.joshua.org.nz)

**PN INTERFAITH GROUP** *Interfaith Women Resist  
the Climate of Hatred and Fear* Thurs Aug 24<sup>th</sup>  
7:00pm—9:00pm Events Central, PN City Library.  
Contacts: Mary Eastham—maeastham23@gmail.com  
Bob Skipp—[bob\\_skipp@xtra.co.nz](mailto:bob_skipp@xtra.co.nz)

**SURVIVING LOSS & GRIEF COURSE** details in foyer.

### CURRENT OF GRACE CONFERENCE 2017

Celebrating the diverse fruits and family of  
Catholic Charismatic Renewal in New Zealand  
**REGISTER NOW!** Fill in your registration form at  
<http://ccmz.org/register2017>  
Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> to Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2017 at the Distinction  
Hotel, and the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, PN.

### CATHOLIC BISHOPS' STATEMENT ON THE

**2017 GENERAL ELECTION....**We want Kiwi  
children & mokopuna to grow up in a safe society.  
Moves to legalise 'soft' drugs & substances—which  
wreak havoc in particular sectors of our society—  
are a deeply cynical & cheap way of side-lining a  
complex social ill that needs to be addressed  
creatively & resolutely. Drugs such as 'P' are rife  
in some areas, destroying individuals & family life.  
This curse needs to be tackled full on.

**CHALLENGE YOUR CANDIDATES** On Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>  
2017, NZ residents will once again make important  
decisions in choosing the people to form our  
government for the next three years.

**Come to the Convention Centre, PN,  
on September 6<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-7:00pm**

where candidates from five political parties will be  
present to talk with voters. No formal speeches –  
this is your opportunity to question candidates from  
Green, Labour, Maori, National and NZ First parties  
about their values and their party's policies. **Take  
advantage of this opportunity if you are in Palmerston  
North, Rangitikei or Te Tai Hauāuru electorates.**

**THE PN CATHOLIC DIOCESAN JPD** (Justice,  
Peace and Development) invites you to attend a  
Social Justice Week Public Meeting with a  
General Election focus.

**'Overcoming a disconnected society and  
rebuilding our communities'**

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September 10:00am – 1:00pm**  
**Diocesan Centre—Te Rau Aroha, 33 Amesbury St.**  
Please bring a plate for shared lunch at 12 noon  
and a gold coin koha. There will be 4 community  
speakers and then 4 politicians for the PN elec-  
torate will respond (see poster on noticeboard)

**HIBERNIAN CATHOLIC BENEFIT SOCIETY**  
St Patrick's Branch 400 Second Quarterly Meeting:  
**4:00pm, Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Aug,** Gathering Area,  
Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, 197 Broadway Ave.  
Visitors or anyone interested in becoming a mem-  
ber are most welcome. **(Please note the meeting  
start time is now 4:00pm)** Contact Kevin Frost,  
Secretary, 357 7844 or [kfassociates@xtra.co.nz](mailto:kfassociates@xtra.co.nz)

### CALLING ON ALL YOUNG NEW ZEALANERS TO SHARE THEIR VOICE WITH THE VATICAN

Young New Zealanders are being called to share  
their views about life, faith, and their experience of  
Church through an online survey published today  
by the NZ Catholic Bishops.

New Zealanders aged 16 – 29 years old are en-  
couraged to answer the survey and tell their friends  
about it and share the link with their networks. The  
survey will go live 23<sup>rd</sup> July and will run for five  
weeks. The closing date is midnight Sun, 27<sup>th</sup> Aug  
2017. Go to <https://www.facebook.com/voicetovaticanNZ>  
and/or the NZ Catholic Bishops' website: <http://www.catholic.org.nz/>

**THE DIOCESE OF PN**, in conjunction with the  
Catholic Charities Foundation of PN, the Tindall  
Foundation & Catholic Social Services, is seeking  
applications from parish groups, agencies & Church  
organisations. Application forms & criteria for fund-  
ing are available from the parish office or Diocesan  
Office, PB 11 012, PN – Attention: Mrs Wendy  
Silver, 354 1780 et.833, [wsilver@pndiocese.org.nz](mailto:wsilver@pndiocese.org.nz)  
or download a copy of the application form from  
[https://pndiocese.org.nz/news-and-events/  
application-for-funding/](https://pndiocese.org.nz/news-and-events/application-for-funding/). Send your applications to  
reach the Diocesan Office by 30<sup>th</sup> Sept 2017.  
Allocations will be made on 24<sup>th</sup> Oct 2017.

**A DAY OF RETREAT** is being held at the Diocesan  
Centre, Amesbury St, 10:00am-4:00pm Tuesday  
12<sup>th</sup> September. Two experienced retreat givers,  
Rev Brian Pierce OP & Sister Mary Ellen OP  
will conduct the retreat in the Dominican tradition of  
contemplation & reflection on the Word, in an envi-  
ronment of silence & prayer. Please byo lunch.  
Tea & coffee will be provided. Cost Koha.

**We Pray for the Sick:** Evie Feierabend, Thelma  
Basile, Vinnie Carroll, Kerrin McManus, Vanessa  
Farrelly, Joan Lambourne, Graeme Younger, 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 & Paul Hughes.

### Died Recently

Sr Noreen Murphy OP (Dunedin), Clem Stella,  
Ross Englebreten & Aileen Ryan

### Anniversaries

Sean Gallagher; Joseph, Florence & Vince Tibbles  
*Requiescant in Pace*

# Pope Sends Special Envoy to Blessed Oscar Romero's Centenary

8 August 2017 by Deborah Castellano Lubov—[ZENIT](http://ZENIT)



Pope Francis has chosen Salesian Cardinal Ricardo Ezzati Andreello, Archbishop of Santiago, Chile, as his special envoy for the celebration of the centenary of the birth of Blessed Bishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero, planned in San Salvador, El Salvador, 15 August 2017.

A pontifical mission, made up of Monsignor Rafael Edgardo Urrutia Herrera, chancellor of the Archdiocese of San Salvador and episcopal vicar for lay movements and associations, and Fr Reinaldo Sorto Martinez, parish priest of the parish of San Jose de la Montana, episcopal vicar of pastoral care and director of San Jose radio will accompany the special envoy.

In a letter in Latin, dated 18 July 2017 and published by the Holy See on Saturday, 5 August 2017, the Pope says that he was invited to the celebration and that is the reason why he is being represented by the Chilean Cardinal.

The Pope paid tribute to Blessed Oscar Romero, "bishop and martyr," born "100 years" ago, on 15 August 1917, in Ciudad Barrios, and murdered on 24 March 1980, while celebrating Mass in the Chapel of the Divine Providence hospital in San Salvador.

In his letter, the Holy Father stressed that Blessed Romero was an "illustrious pastor and witness of the Gospel: a "defender of the Church and of human dignity," herald of "the saving work" of Christ, manifested in his "love for all, especially the poor, the abandoned and the marginalized," seeking to promote "reconciliation and peace."

Blessed Romero, beatified at San Salvador on 23 May 2015, as martyr, could be canonized if a miracle due to his intercession is authenticated.

## Evening With Our Bishop

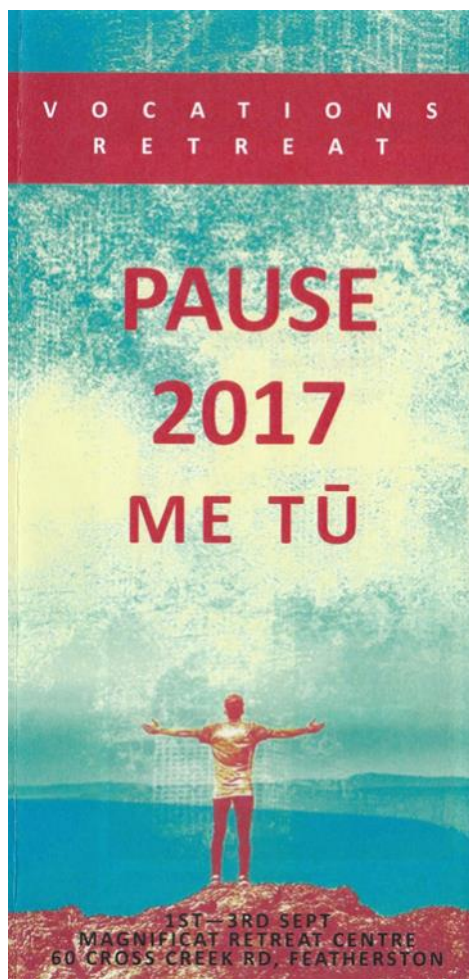
Bishop Charles will give a presentation on his work in India followed by dessert/ coffee/tea at Our Lady of Lourdes.



**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August, 7:30pm**

Everyone across the city is invited to join in this social evening with our Bishop.

**Please bring a small dessert to share**



Pause 2017 is a vocations retreat for those discerning a call to the diocesan priesthood or religious life as a Priest, Brother or Sister.

**Friday evening to Sunday afternoon 1<sup>st</sup>– 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

Magnificat Retreat Centre in the Wairarapa - Transport provided

*God is calling me – yeah right?  
What will my friends and family say?  
It's so confusing: diocesan Priests, Orders, Religious, charisms, Brothers, enclosed, apostolic, contemplative Sisters, consecration, habits and not?*

*Where on earth do I begin?*

*Do I have to be 100% sure?*

*What if I find out it's not me?*

Join me, Sr Clare O'Connor and others for a time of reflection whakaaroaro, prayer karakia, and korero.

Find us on facebook events:

[www.facebook.com/bishopcharlesdrennan](https://www.facebook.com/bishopcharlesdrennan)

To secure a place email [bishop-pa@pndiocese.org.nz](mailto:bishop-pa@pndiocese.org.nz). All welcome. Also see brochure in the church foyer.

Bishop Charles.

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Tuesday—Friday: 9:00am—1:00pm  
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Secretary: Catherine McNamara

## Parish Pastoral Council

Chair: Leigh Basile



## Our Lady of Lourdes School

Principal: Jacinta Cousins  
06 358 9727

[www.ololschool.nz](http://www.ololschool.nz)

## St Peter's College

Principal: David Olivier  
06 354 4198

[www.stpeterspn.school.nz](http://www.stpeterspn.school.nz)



## NEXT WEEK

**Readings Aug 20<sup>th</sup>:** Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

## ROSTERS: August

**Church Cleaning:** Pat Curran and Prue Smith.

**Counting:** (Aug 15<sup>th</sup>) Pat Curran.

**Flowers:** Mary O'Connor.

**Greeters: Vigil 5:30pm** Catherine and Tom Edwards

**8am** John Lynch and Dianne Whittaker **10am** Dianne Jordan.

**Readers: Vigil 5:30pm** Kerry Hocquard and Rosalie McCann, **8am** Moya Booth and Leigh Basile **10am** Barney/Isobelle O'Connor and Jeanette Iwikau.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Vigil 5:30pm** Dennis Jones, Pat Curran, John Werder, Prue Smith, Denise Bailey **8am** Kieran McCormack, Judy Nixon, John Lynch **10am** Jacinta Cousins, Martin Boyle, Denis and Margaret Beckett, Brendon O'Connor.

**Altar Servers: 10am** Alesha Alexander and Holly Allery.

**Children's Liturgy:** Lorraine Wilson.

**Hospitality: 10am** Rose and Wally Semmens.

**Religious Goods/Library:** Anne O'Hara.

**Linen:** Maureen Murphy (August).

**Lawns:** Alan Marlow (12<sup>th</sup> Aug)