



Diocese of
Palmerston North

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Parish

Palmerston North (1951)

Te Pariha o te mātou Wahine o Ruata



Priest Ministers

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OLOL MASSES

5:30pm Vigil (Saturday)
9:30am Sunday
Mon Liturgy of Word & Communion
Tues—Sat 10:00am

SACRED HEART RONGOTEA

9:00am: 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

ST MARY'S FOXTON MASSES

10:30am Sun
10:30am Thurs

ST JOSEPH'S SHANNON MASSES

9:00am 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

RECONCILIATION

Sat 10:30am—11:00am
and on request

EUCCHARIST ADORATION

Fri: 10:30am—Noon
7:00pm—9:00pm

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time—5th August 2018; Year B / Weekdays Year 2

Psalm Response: The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

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

Situations Vacant at OLOL

- Readers 5.30pm
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Liturgy Committee
- Communion to the sick and housebound
- Lawn mowers

Anybody who is interested please get in contact with the parish office 358 3667.

We are celebrating our 40th anniversary of the
Worldwide Marriage Encounter
movement in New Zealand!



This will be an opportunity to renew those friendships with couples and priests that have been an important part of our lives.

When: Saturday 11th August 2018 from 1:00pm

Where: Distinction Hotel, 175 Cuba St, PN.

Please register at: www.wwme40.nz

MAX18NZ – a National Catholic Event for Men, 28-30 September 2018, Kings College, Auckland. Great line up of international speakers, single room accommodation, excellent food, not to be missed. Details available at www.max18nz.info or by email enquiry@max18nz.info or phone Jim Gribble on 027 249 5378.

SVDP SHOP NEEDS YOUR SPARE T-SHIRTS

The SVDP Shop is moving fast to go completely free of plastic shopping bags when making sales. Tee shirts, medium and large sizes, will replace plastic bags and so reduce the pollution on this earth. With collaboration from volunteers the T-Shirts will have the necks and arms sewn up to become shopping bags. Please don't throw out your T-shirts, instead donate to the Vinnies by bringing into the Vinnies Shop at 252 Rangitikei St, deliver to Mass over the weekend or drop off at the Parish Office for Vinnies volunteers to collect. Special thanks for all donations.



Thank you to all who were involved in making the Confirmation Mass last weekend such a memorable liturgy and parish celebration. **Congratulations** to all the young people from around the city who were Confirmed, please keep them in your prayers.

During August Fr. Joe is on holiday, looking after the parish of St. Willehad, Nordenham, Germany. During this time the Cathedral priests will be looking after our four communities for masses and pastoral care. Please contact the parish offices or the Cathedral office directly for help.

YOUTH, YOUNG ADULT, & YOUNG FAMILY MINISTRY IN THE DIOCESE OF PN 2018 INFORMATION PACK - AVAILABLE ROLES
Palmerston North - Young Families Minister, Part-time (20 hours)

To find out more detail, to apply (by **22nd August 2018**), ask some questions, and/or request an Information Pack, contact: Nick Wilson

- nwilson@pndiocese.org.nz
- 06 350 3824 / 021 822814

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

OLOL School Fertiliser Drive—Saturday 11th August—yellow order forms are available in the gathering area today—last opportunity to order.

English Language Partners in PN invite volunteers to teach English. The next course starts in August 2018. Get in touch if you are interested in this important service to others. Ph 06 359 2332, palmerstonnorth@englishlanguage.org.nz.

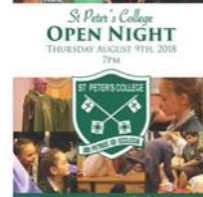
Society of Mary Priests and Brothers:

Communities of men committed to lives of prayer and service, disciples of Jesus inspired by the example of His mother Mary, sharing the mission of the Church locally and internationally. If you know someone who might consider life as a Marist priest or brother there is an information and prayer weekend 24-26 August. Information at www.maristseminary.org.nz or facebook.com/marists. Email Fr Pat Breeze SM at vocations@smnz.org.nz



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St Peter's College celebrates being a Catholic faith community, where Y7 - 13 students, teachers and families work in partnership to develop empowered, self-managing, lifelong learners who live the Gospel values in a changing world.
Open Night, 9th August, 7:00pm.



Interested in Oberammergau Passion Play:

There have been several people who have expressed interest in going in 2020 to be at this wonderful experience. If you are thinking about attending there will be a travel agent available this Sunday, 5th August 1.30pm, Cathedral foyer, just to find out more and ask questions. This is an information opportunity only—no obligations. Mons Bell.

Enabling Communities

A Social Justice Week Workshop,

Diocesan Centre, PN, Saturday 25th August.

An interactive workshop focusing on disability and participation, free of charge, lunch provided, open to all! NZSL interpreters can be available on request. To register contact Joanna Viernes, 0800 22 10 22, joannav@caritas.org.nz, or register direct using Google Forms: <https://goo.gl/forms/7vPuAw3ODoqMosVB2>.

Rosters—Greeters please collect your new rosters which are in the gathering area?

We Pray for the Sick: Mark Richards, Sheila Evans, Tony Keenan, Gary Meyer, Bridget Dorn, Barbara and Graeme Younger, Michael Eades, Vinnie Carroll, Joan Lambourne, Evie Feierabend, Mary Jefferies, Marie Hubbard, Vanessa Farrelly, Mikulas Oros, Ann Fairclough, Louis Heynen, Braxton Prentice, Katherine Denby, Anne & Bill Bethune, Trevor Wilson Toshi Sekizaki, Oliver Gillespie, Guiseppina Dujany, & Siobhan Thomson.

Died Recently Freda Reggers

Requiescant in Pace

William Singleton, Sean Gallagher

From the Pastor's Desk

Sisters and brothers by the time you read this I will be in the parish of Sankt Willehad in Nordenham, Germany. Willehad was born around 740 in Northumbria, England. He came to Germany in the early middle ages and became bishop of Bremen. His successor was St. Anscar (the patron of St Peter's College Chapel and earlier the parish church in Norsewood). The present church of St. Hippoltus in Blexen (near Nordenham) is the place where St. Willehad died on November 8th in 789. The church building is over 900 years old and replaced an older, wooden church. Christians have gathered in this area of the Wesermarsch for the last 1200 years. The parish has 5 churches, one is permanently closed, one is used only during the summer months because of the tourist numbers, one is used on a Wednesday throughout the year and the last two are used each Sunday and during the week. There is one priest and a married Deacon. The parish priest is in northern Spain with a group of parishioners walking the Camino of St James and they will finish in Santiago de Compostela in 6 weeks' time!

The Church is an international family and it is always wonderful to remember that the scriptures we read in New Zealand at the beginning of Sunday are read throughout the Church, across the world. The scriptures today from St John's Gospel take us deeper into the mystery of the Eucharist and into the meaning of the meal for the 5000 we listened to last Sunday, in St Mark's Gospel.

'Eucharist makes the Church and the Church makes the Eucharist' is an oft quoted theological bumper-sticker. There is a truth here: thanksgiving is at the heart of Christianity and the Church is always called to give thanks. Thanksgiving is the hallmark of the Christian life and the bedrock of salvation. Thanksgiving names the gathering and the central prayer of what we call, 'the Eucharist'. Eucharist, as we know is the Greek word for thanksgiving. Eucharist is the name we give to the meal of salvation that we eat. Eucharist is also the word we use to describe Jesus' self-giving on the Cross, which saves us and makes us God's adopted sons and daughters, in Christ.

The thanksgiving of Christ as he stands before the Father is made in the Spirit and articulated anew each time we pray the Eucharistic Prayer. The Eucharistic Prayer calls the Church to remember with thanksgiving the Paschal Mystery of Christ's pre-incarnation, incarnation, ministry, death, resurrection, ascension and his return at the end of time – all this and more is the Pascal Mystery. In the Eucharistic Prayer we, the Church, stand with Christ, as he stands before the Father and remembers and gives thanks for all that

God has achieved in him, the Pascal Mystery. In this prayer we remember especially the event of the Cross as an 'event of God' in which we are included, and through which we are given adoption as God's children. This is the source of our ultimate dignity and our hope in a life without end. In this truth, death has no power over us, no sting, as St Paul writes. Here is only life!

The Eucharistic Prayer is the great memorial of what it means to-be-in-thanks-with-God-in-Christ. In this prayer, we stand with Christ, as he stands before the Father and gives thanks. Our posture of standing is deeply meaningful. It denotes that we have been saved. We stand as the redeemed of God, because God has made us worthy to stand in God's presence and to participate in God's gift of salvation. This is not something one can do on one's knees.

To kneel in the Sunday Assembly is to adopt a posture with a different meaning, namely that of penance. Rightly, we kneel for adoration of the Eucharist outside of Mass as a sign of our personal prayer and devotion. In this moment of prayer, which is essentially private, our posture of kneeling has its own significant meaning.

In the celebration of the Mass only those who will not receive of the Eucharist traditionally kneel. From the 12th to 20th centuries the tradition grew that the laity did not receive communion and it was only in 1910 that Pope St Pius X encouraged the Laity to receive communion regularly. By the time of the Second Vatican Council the practise of regular communion was reinforced to what we have today, where laity and clergy regularly receive the Eucharist together.

Our regular participation in the Sunday Eucharist and our reception of Holy Communion enable us to participate in God's work, or liturgy, of salvation. Salvation belongs to God. In our worship we experience salvation as active participants, thus the Sacred Liturgy is the place or locus where we experience being saved. Consequently, our worship is not empty ritual, it is deeply salvific; it changes us, it evangelises us, it changes us, so that we are more Christ-like and therefore more able to live in faith, hope and love, which is why we must be mindful of what we do, how we do it and why we do it.

Liturgy celebrates and makes visible God's work amongst us in which we participate. Through our human questions and our individual needs God saves us.

Joe Grayland

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NEXT WEEK: 12th August 2018

Readings 1 Kg 19:4-8; Eph 4:30—5:2; Jn 6:41-51.

ROSTERS: August

Church Cleaning: (August 6th) Rose Semmens and Imelda Benton.

Counting: (Tues 7th) Marion Carey.

Greeters: Vigil 5:30pm Lorraine and Dave Marriott
9:30am Dianne Jordan

Readers: 5:30pm Kathy Gardiner, Janey Bishop, Rob Towers
9:30am Maree O'Donoghue, Clare Cole, Jeanette Iwikau.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: 5:30pm Monica Hammond, Hannah Brown, Judith Wall, Denis Jones, Denise Bailey

9:30am Paul Darbyshire, Martin Boyle, Brendon O'Connor, Stephen Guy, Maria Amey.

9:30am **Flowers:** Mary O'Connor.

Altar Servers: 9:30am Tessa Amey and Cooper McMillan.

Children's Liturgy: Donna Brown.

Hospitality: 9:30am Kapatiran Group.

Religious Goods/Library: Mary O'Connor.

Lawns: (August 4th) Alan Marlow.

Linen: (August) Mary Dorn.