



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

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

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



## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

26<sup>th</sup> February 2017; Year A / Weekdays Year 1

**Psalm Response:** Rest in God alone, my soul.

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

### ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES IN THE CITY

7.30am Cathedral of the Holy Spirit

9:00am St Mary's

**10:00am LOL (School Mass)**

12 Noon St Mary's (School Mass)

12.05pm Cathedral of the Holy Spirit

**7:00pm LOL**

7:00pm Combined Ecumenical Service  
Cathedral of the Holy Spirit

**NB—no morning tea after 10:00am Mass on  
Ash Wednesday at LOL (fast & abstinence)**

**LENTEN REFLECTION GROUPS** Lent begins on Wednesday March 1<sup>st</sup>. How about joining a Lenten Reflection Group to share scripture & prayer with fellow parishioners. A list for names & phone numbers is in the foyer. Please join us... a great way to meet people & learn about our faith.

**LITTLE BLACK BOOKS FOR LENT, \$4, are available in the foyer after Mass.**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** 7:00pm Fridays during Lent, followed by Adoration until 9:00pm.

**LENTEN GIVING PACKS** have been distributed today at Mass. You can use the Weekly Donation Envelopes or use a Single Donation Envelope. You may leave your donation envelope on the collection plate or return direct to Caritas. Donations received before 31<sup>st</sup> March will be issued a Tax Receipt for 2016/2017 tax year. Donations received after 1<sup>st</sup> April will be issued Tax Receipts for 2017/2018 Tax Year.

**LOL GUILD** meeting 1:30pm 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of March (1<sup>st</sup> March) Discussion on final details for 60<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations on 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

### LOL FIRST SACRAMENTS PROGRAMME

Begins on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 11:00am, after 10:00am Mass. Enrolment forms and the programme are available in the foyer now. Please complete and return to the School or the Parish Office asap

**LOL COFFEE GROUP**  
Tuesdays 9:00am-11:30am

**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!

**MARIAN EUCARISTIC COMMUNITY**  
Kerala Catholic Prayer Community prayer meeting, every Monday 4:15pm-7:00pm.

**NEW READERS** are required to join the roster for Ministry of the Word. Full training given. If you would like to share your time and talents please phone Patria 354 4571.



**FLOWER ARRANGERS** We urgently need new people on the flower roster. Please phone Mary Dorn 329 6816

**ON SALE** NZ Catholic \$4; Tui Motu \$7; Calendars \$12.

**24 HOURS WITH THE LORD** Eucharistic Adoration for 24 Hours, St Mary's, 69 Ruahine St, PN. **Begins: 9:00am Mass Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** **Concludes: 9:00am Mass Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March.** All Parish groups are invited to participate. Please contact St Mary's office, 358 5614. **LOL Parishioners are invited to join our Tokelauan Group from 4:00pm to 5:00pm.**

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** St Andrew's, Church St, Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 7:00pm. All welcome.

**MARIST BROTHERS' BICENTENNIAL** The Marist Brothers were founded in 1817, so this makes 2017 their bicentennial. To mark the occasion they would like to say THANK YOU to all those people who supported them when they were here in Palmerston North, from 1939 until 1983. On **Sunday 19 March, after the 9.30am Mass at the Cathedral**, there will be a morning tea and a few words of thanks from the Brothers. The Brothers would welcome any past students, parents, teachers, supporters and friends of the Brothers to come along and mark the bicentennial with them. Any inquiries could be made to Br Doug Dawick, Lower Hutt, Ph. 021.258.1484.

### YOUTH, YOUNG ADULTS, TERTIARY CHAPLAIN

**BBQ and Games** to celebrate the start of the new semester. 7:00pm Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Feb, Te Ahi Kaa. Meet at the Cathedral after the 6pm Mass. Please bring a plate of food to share. Ph Georgia 021811148.



**Academic Mass for Tertiary Students** 6:00pm Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March, Cathedral of the Holy Spirit.

**THE CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME IS STARTING SOON!** For year 10 students & up ... To find out more, come along to the Confirmation Kick-Off Night **Sunday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 4pm til 5.45pm, Catholic Diocesan Centre, 33 Amesbury St (behind the Cathedral)**

**Please pre-register** your interest with Lucy Ingle: 021 509 439, [lingl@pndiocese.org.nz](mailto:lingl@pndiocese.org.nz).

### WHAT EARTH IS ASKING OF US Welcome to a workshop day on Saturday 11 March

Two Dominican sisters from the USA are visiting NZ during March. Sisters Margaret Galliardi & Sharon Zayak will facilitate a workshop day for people of our diocese. Building on insights from Pope Francis's encyclical *Laudato Si*, Sharon & Margaret will help us to explore our response to the cry of the earth at this time in history. The day will include prayer & reflection, times of quiet & times of sharing. Everyone is welcome!

**Diocesan Centre, 33 Amesbury St, 10.00am - 4.00pm Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2017** \$30 waged; \$15 unwaged OR koha (Please don't stay away because of finance!) BYO lunch please. Morning & afternoon tea will be provided.

### CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- **Music Director**—10 hours per week. See notice board for details or contact Steph Grantham 06 357 2891, [s.grantham@pncathedral.org.nz](mailto:s.grantham@pncathedral.org.nz)
- **Social Justice Group** We are appealing for more members of our administration group. If you have a heart for working in this area please phone Marie Leslie 358 8202 or see notice board for further information on the group's activities.

**THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PN**, in conjunction with PN Catholic Charities Foundation, Tindall Foundation and Catholic Social Services, is seeking applications from Parish groups, Agencies and Church organisations. Application forms and criteria are in the foyer along with further information on notice board.

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

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**Anniversaries**

*Requiescant in Pace*



### PARISH FRIST AIDERS NEEDED

If you have a current first aid certificate and are happy to assist fellow parishioners, should a medical event occur at an OLOL's

Mass/event you are attending, please contact the parish office (358 3667 or [ololpn@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ololpn@xtra.co.nz)) to go on our register. The Parish is also looking to purchase a St John AED defibrillator Unit, to be installed in the Church. A 90-minute training course on the Unit's use will be offered to our registered first aiders by St John.

Please consider stepping forward – you may never need to do anything, but in the event of an emergency, your generosity, at this stage, could be life-saving.

### HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORTING

If you are aware of any accidents, medical events, near misses or hazards that have occurred or exist on the OLOL site, please report these to the Parish office (358 3667 or [ololpn@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ololpn@xtra.co.nz)) ASAP, in order for them to be recorded in our incident or hazard registers.

### PARISH WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT HELP!



If you have the skills and a few hours to spare in order to design a simple web-site for our parish, where we can post our weekly newsletter, Mass times, photo etc., please contact Fr Vaughan (358 3667 or [frvipleslie@yahoo.com](mailto:frvipleslie@yahoo.com)).

# During Mass, Pope Warns Against Worldliness

*Posted by Deborah Castellano Lubov on 21 February, 2017*

Watch out for worldliness and ambition and as God to give us childlike simplicity.

According to Vatican Radio, Pope Francis gave this warning and encouragement to faithful during his daily morning Mass at Casa Santa Marta, as he reflected on today's First Reading, which recalls that whoever wishes to serve the Lord must prepare for temptations, and the Gospel reading, in which Jesus tells his disciples of his impending death.

Recognizing temptation affects all people, Francis prayed that before the temptation of ambition, God gives us the grace of 'holy shame.'

Recalling that the disciples do not understand why Jesus has told them of His coming death since they are too afraid to ask what he means demonstrates "the temptation to not complete the mission," the Pope noted. Even Jesus, he added, suffered this temptation.

### Warning Against Ambition, Worldliness

Today's Gospel, the Jesuit Pope also recalled, also mentioned another temptation, that of

ambition. The disciples argue along the way about who among them was the greatest, but remain silent when Jesus asks them what they are discussing. The Holy Father said they do not respond because they are ashamed of their words.

"These were good people, who wanted to follow and serve the Lord. But they did not realize that the path of service to the Lord was not an easy one. It wasn't like becoming part of a group, some charitable group doing good: No, it was something else. They were afraid of this. It happened, happens, and will happen."

"Let us think about infighting in a parish: 'I want to be the president of this association, in order to climb the ladder. Who is the greatest here? Who is the greatest in this parish? No, I am the most important here; not that person there because he did something...'

This, Francis said, is the chain of sin.

### Ladder Climbers

The Holy Father also offered other examples of this temptation which brings one to "climb the ladder" and criticize others.

"Sometimes we priests say ashamedly within our presbyteries: 'I want that parish... But the Lord is here... But I want that one...' It is the same."

This, Francis warned, is not the way of the Lord,

but the path of worldliness and vanity. "Even among us bishops," Francis lamented, worldliness comes as a temptation.

Pope Francis concluded, praying for three things: for "the grace to be ashamed when we find ourselves in these situations"; to defend us "from ambitions and from the worldliness of wishing to be greater than others"; and to give us the grace of the simplicity of a child.



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### NEXT WEEK

**Readings March 5th: Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11.**

### ROSTERS: February

**Church Cleaning:** Alicia & Frank Pabellon, Marcela Codeneira (Feb 27<sup>th</sup>).

**Counting:** Pat Curran & Prue Smith (Feb 28<sup>th</sup>)

**Flowers:** Mary O'Connor.

**Greeters: Vigil 5.30pm** Kathy Morton & Lesley Wright

**8am** Jim Murphy & Pat Burton **10am** Jenny King.

**Readers: Vigil 5.30pm:** Roselle Gouwland & Rob Towers **8am:** Maree O'Donoghue & Maurice McDonald **10am:** Maricar Dongon & Rhea Villocido.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Vigil 5.30pm** Pat Curran, Prue Smith, Hannah Brown, Denis Jones, Judith Wall **8am** John Lynch, Raymond Jones, Clare Cole **10am** Stephen Guy, Brendon O'Connor, Tino Pakome, Paul Darbyshire, Eileen O'Connor.

**Altar Servers: 10am** Leah Meehan & Holly Ellery.

**Children's Liturgy:** Lorraine Wilson & Isobelle O'Connor.

**Hospitality: 10am** Patria Kerr & Patricia Daws.

**Religious Goods/Library:** Martin Boyle.

**Brass:** June Lynch (March) **Linen:** Maria Lukkassen (March)

**Lawns:** Fr Vaughan (March 4<sup>th</sup>)