



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 10:30am—11:00am or on request

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

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



Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

15th October 2017; Year A / Weekdays Year 1

Psalm Response: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

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

CHILDREN'S LITURGY MASS SUNDAY 29TH OCTOBER 10:00AM

If your child is interested in being involved please contact Lorraine Wilson 021 222 7802. A practice time will be advised asap.

PLANNED GIFTING Most of the weekly envelopes packs have been collected....thank you. The packs of Special Collection envelopes, for parishioners who use internet banking or automatic payments, are also awaiting collection. The new PG year has begun; the first special collection will be Mission Sunday 22nd October. *Your generosity for all collections is greatly appreciated.*

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.

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

NZ INTERNET SECURITY EXPERT John Parsons, to visit PN 24th-27th Oct 2017.

FREE Seminars on Cyber Safety for child, youth and senior citizens. Full details and times are on the notice board in the foyer. These seminars are highly recommended.

JOSHUA MEN'S GROUP meeting Tuesday 17th October 7:00pm St Mary's church foyer. Prayer, praise, worship, fellowship. Mr Joe Carroll will be our speaker. Supper to follow. All welcome. For information contact John 027 688 7750
www.joshua.org.nz



HOLY CROSS SEMINARY
www.holycross.org.nz

ON SALE in the foyer today
NZ Catholic \$4; Tui Motu \$7;
2018 Columban Calendar \$12;
SVDP Christmas Cards \$2.50 per pack of 5.

CATHOLIC RADIO Sundays 9am
Access Radio Manawatu 999HzAM.

AGLOW - Thurs 26th Oct, Bridge Club Rooms, cnr Cook & Cuba Sts. 9:30am morning tea. 10:00am programme. Ph Jennifer 027 319 8434.



RCIA classes have commenced and will be held at LOL on Wednesday evenings from 7:30pm-9:00pm. If you feel you can help out with these classes, either through supporting our catechumens and candidates, or helping with the catechetical programme, Ph Kate at the office, 358 3667, or Cushla 355 2117. Thank you.

LECTIO DIVINA is a centuries-old form of prayer using Scripture. It can be used by individuals or groups. It has 4 steps. Cards to help you are available in the foyer.

RED CROSS REFUGEE SUPPORT We are looking for people like you to help refugee families arriving on 8th Dec 2017 build new lives in our community. Volunteers provide practical support to help them start again in their new home. **Volunteer training courses start: 2nd Nov 2017. Please contact NZ Red Cross: (06) 356-8152. Join our team and make a difference as a refugee support volunteer.**

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE
15th to 20th October 2017 to pray for peace and healing for all victims of violence.

- ♦ Sun 7:00pm All Saints Anglican Church;
- ♦ Mon & Tue, noon All Saints Anglican Church;
- ♦ Wed 1:00pm following noon Eucharist in the Day Chapel, Cathedral of the Holy Spirit;
- ♦ Thurs & Fri noon All Saints Anglican Church. **ALL WELCOME.**

CATHOLIC ENQUIRY CENTRE

Please support and visit

www.facebook.com/catholicdiscovery.nz;
www.catholicdiscovery.nz;
www.catholicenquiry.nz

Forms are available in the foyer today if you would like to enrol as a Promoter, Financial Supporter or Prayer Companion.

"THE NEW DAY THAT DAWNED"— a history of Catholic Charismatic Renewal in NZ has been compiled to commemorate the 50th anniversary Jubilee and is now available for purchase. \$20 per copy plus \$6.50 p & p.
Contact ccrnz.org or Margaret Paton margaretpaton@xtra.co.nz; (09) 298 4409.



NEXT SUNDAY IS MISSION SUNDAY

Mission Sunday reminds us that God says to each of us: "up and leave your place". Leave all that can lock us down in mediocrity – for some that is routines, for others tired agendas and pet hobby horses, and for others again perhaps it's overdoses of Facebook and Instagram etc. Set free of traps, we can bring the beauty and kindness of faith somewhere else, somewhere new, which may be just round the corner.

Faith transforms every possible human situation. Mission Sunday prompts us therefore to step back and marvel at the breadth and depth of our Christian faith. Let's relish the good at work in our communities (think of the St Vincent de Paul Society, this weekend celebrating 150 years of humble practical service in Aotearoa), let's take courage from the lives of our saints, sung and unsung, and let's grow in appreciation of our faith for which others have even died.

In many countries simply being a Catholic, or applying one's Christian faith to daily life, is dangerous. Our collection next week helps the Church in such places by supporting education and healthcare, pastoral programmes and family development projects, the protection of democracy etc which are all fruits of Jesus' Good News of mercy, compassion, justice, peace, reverence and eternal life.

Mission Sunday is for us all. Our prayers and offerings show that in Christ we are all brothers and sisters of our worldwide human family.

We Pray for the Sick: Michael Eades, Vinnie Carroll, Oleg Bogdanovas, Evie Feierabend, Thelma Basile, Kerrin McManus, Vanessa Farrelly, Joan Lambourne, Graeme Younger, Mary Jefferies, Kevin Patterson, Ian Sutherland, Ann Fairclough, Mikulas Oros, Louis Heynen, Braxton Prentice, Katherine Denby, Anne & Bill Bethune, Toshi Sekizaki, Marie Hubbard, Oliver Gillespie, Guiseppina Dujany, Trevor Wilson and Paul Hughes.

Died Recently

Anniversaries

Margaret Godbaz

Requiescant in Pace

Pope: When Asking 'Why,' Knock on God's Heart With Courageous Prayer

Pope Celebrates 100-Year Anniversary of Founding of Congregation & Institute for Oriental Churches

12 October 2017 by Deborah Castellano Lubov—[ZENIT](#)

When you are asking yourself 'why,' courageously knock on God's heart with prayer.

Pope Francis gave this advice during the Mass he celebrated in Rome's Marian Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore, to commemorate the centenary of the Congregation for Oriental Churches and the Pontifical Oriental Institute.

This morning, before the Mass, the Pontiff visited the Pontifical Oriental Institute. Upon his arrival, the Pope greeted the Superiors of the Congregation for the Eastern Churches, Patriarchs and the Major Archbishops. Then, in the garden of the institute, he blessed a cypress in the presence of the students, and in another hall, he met and greeted benefactors and the Jesuit community.

During the Mass, Francis recalled that today we remember the congregation and institute's foundation by Pope Benedict XV, 100 years ago in 1917.

Noting that at that time, the First World War had broken out, Francis added: "Today – as I have already said – we live another World War."

"We see many of our Christian brothers and sisters in the Eastern Churches experiencing dramatic persecution and an increasingly disturbing diaspora," he said, noting, "This causes so many questions, many 'why's?'"

The Holy Father lamented those nowadays who are wicked and unscrupulous, and who seek their own interests "crushing others." To them, Francis observed, everything seems fine and they go about enjoying their lives.

"Hence the question," Francis posed: "Why Lord?"

God, Francis stressed, does not forget His children. He always remembers those who do

confidence that the Lord will listen to us, the courage to knock on the door."

The Lord says: "For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened." (v. 10).

"But is our prayer really so?" Francis asked, noting do we let it involve our hearts and lives.

Pondering whether we can we really knock on God's heart, Francis reminded that in the same Gospel passage Jesus says: "What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg?"

The Holy Father reminded Jesus' message that Fathers do the will of their children, and our Father in Heaven, for this reason, gave His children something much greater: the Holy Spirit.

"Man knocks with prayer at God's door to ask for grace. And He, who is Father, gives me that, and more: the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Pope Francis reminded that being brave in prayer, inspires and nourishes service to the Church, which will help in producing fruit and will make us like trees whose "leaves do not dry."

"Let us learn to knock on the heart of God, and do so courageously," Pope Francis said.




good, and the suffering and oppressed, who ask "why?", but never stop trusting in God.

"How many times did the Virgin Mary, in her journey, ask "why?"; but in her heart, meditating on everything, God's grace brought her faith and hope.

As a passage in the Gospel of Luke reminds, prayer is our tool to break into God's memory, Francis said.

"When praying, it takes the courage of faith: to have

Retreat in Daily Life



The Retreat Nights will be based on the teachings of Saint Ignatius of Loyola and presented by various speakers. Enquires to Rob Towers: 021 152 7915.

Come and spend this short time each week with the Lord to refresh yourself in his presence.

A guided Retreat in Daily Life is being held in Our Lady of Lourdes Church consecutive Wednesday evenings, 7:30-8:30pm, 4th, 11th and 18th October 2017; time of hospitality to follow.

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NEXT WEEK

Readings Oct 22nd: Is 45:1,4-6; 1 Thess 1:1-5; Mt 22:15-21.

ROSTERS: October

Church Cleaning: (Oct 9th) Judy Walker and Eileen Walsh.

Counting: (17th) Marion Carey.

Flowers: (28th) Mary O'Connor.

Greeters: **Vigil 5:30pm** Suneal and Beverly Singh
8am Vince and Leigh Basile **10am** Jenny King.

Readers: **Vigil 5:30pm** Kathy Gardiner and Judith Wall
8am Clare Cole and Pat Burton **10am** Celia Kueh and Wendy Lyons.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: **Vigil 5:30pm** Lorraine and Dave Marriott, Hannah Brown, Martin Wall, Monica Hammond **8am** John Lynch, Raymond Jones, Kieran McCormack **10am** Julia Sissons, Mary O'Connor, Eileen O'Connor, Martin Boyle, Stephen Guy.

Altar Servers: **10am** Kaitlyn Amey and Karl Laylo.

Children's Liturgy: TBA

Hospitality: **10am** Tokelauan Group.

Religious Goods/Library: Diane Baucke.

Linen: (Oct) Mary O'Connor.

Lawns: (Oct 21st) Tino Pakome and Son