



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

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



## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

29<sup>th</sup> October 2017; Year A / Weekdays Year 1

**Psalm Response: I love you, Lord, my strength.**

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

**LOL GUILD** Meeting Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 1:30pm. Make a Christmas Cracker gift holder. Bring 2 equal sized tins.. e.g. medium peach tin etc. 2 sheets of wrapping paper. If you need more info call June on 3547686. Usual flower comp. Bring along your oldest Christmas Tree Decoration.

**Please collect your Planned Gifting and Special Collection envelopes from the foyer asap. Many thanks.**



Many thanks for your generous weekly donations to the food basket and your support of the 'Vinnies' shop on Rangitikei Street. Currently we are short on

baked beans, spaghetti, sugar, long-life milk, spreads and rice.

**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.

**RED CROSS REFUGEE SUPPORT** Are looking for people, like you, to help refugee families arriving on 8<sup>th</sup> 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:**

2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2017. Please contact NZ Red Cross: (06) 356-8152. Join our team and make a difference as a refugee support volunteer.

**ON SALE in the foyer today**

NZ Catholic \$4; Tui Motu \$7;

2018 Columban Calendar \$12;

SVP Christmas Cards \$2.50 per pack of 5.

Religious goods and cards cabinets

are available every Sunday after

10:00am Mass.

**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.



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.

**MOKOS YOUTH GROUP** Our whanau youth group is open to everyone and we would love to welcome new members. We meet next on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November, 7:00pm-9:00pm in the Diocesan centre (behind the Cathedral). We gather, eat, try out some games, learn a bit, and pray. Join us! For more information contact Lucy, lingle@pndiocese.org.nz; 021 509 439.

### YOUNG CATHOLIC LEADERS PROGRAMME

**2017 Dec 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>** This programme is for year 12 students going into year 13 who wish to develop their leadership skills from a Catholic values base. If you are an interested student at a Non-Catholic College, or know someone in this situation who might benefit, please contact Kathleen [kfield@pndiocese.org.nz](mailto:kfield@pndiocese.org.nz); 021 509 436 for more information.

### AOTEAROA CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL;

**KANOHI KI TE KANOHI Dec 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>** The Youth Team is taking several vans of 15+ young people to this festival in Auckland, which concludes with a Matt Maher concert. **Matt is currently one of the most internationally well-known Catholic Worship composer/singers. Total cost - \$175.** Contact Tausilia 027 514 9009. See notice board for concert details.

**TE AHI KAA – THE HEARTH-PLACE** If you are interested in growing your faith through prayer, service, hospitality, formation, and fun, find out more about our Youth Adult Community House. Situated close to the Cathedral and to town, Te Ahi Kaa is a perfect base for a year of discernment and mission, in a supportive Catholic community. For more information contact Georgia 022 670 4422; [georgia.m.collins@hotmail.com](mailto:georgia.m.collins@hotmail.com)



### HOLY CROSS SEMINARY

[www.holycross.org.nz](http://www.holycross.org.nz)



**TODAY: 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2:00pm: Lutheran-Catholic Combined Service in Commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the**

**Reformation: Together in Christ - Christians Commemorating the**

Reformation. This service will be held at the **Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, 197 Broadway Ave, PN. Today, 29<sup>th</sup> October at 2:00pm, officiated by Bishop Charles Drennan and Pastor Rodger Russ. All are warmly invited to attend. Please bring a plate.**

### FINAL CHANCE TO SPEAK DIRECTLY TO POPE FRANCIS BEFORE 2018 SYNOD.

Next year will see a focus by the Catholic Church on young people, their views, thoughts and dreams for their faith and relationship with the Church. We had a wonderful response from youth in New Zealand with our own survey. As this year draws to a close, Pope Francis is giving young people a final opportunity to speak more directly to him, our Holy Father. Read more on Synod 2018 and take up this final chance before the Synod to be heard.

Visit and complete the Synod 2018 survey before **30 November 2017** by visiting <http://youth.synod2018.va/content/synod2018/en.html>

⇒ **CATHOLIC RADIO Sundays 9am Access Radio Manawatu 999HzAM.**

⇒ **CATHOLIC ENQUIRY CENTRE**  
[www.facebook.com/catholicdiscovery.nz](https://www.facebook.com/catholicdiscovery.nz);  
[www.catholicenquiry.nz](http://www.catholicenquiry.nz)

**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

Peter Dodunski & Fr John Berry

### Anniversaries

Requiescant in Pace

## Let's talk about Sundays

As a priest and Bishop, **my heart is lifted every Sunday**, whichever parish I am in, **by the presence at Mass of young families, elderly, teenagers, and young adults.** I know that many have made great efforts to be present. I'm sure you feel the same. Gathering together on Sundays to be fed by Jesus' Word and Body is our essential witness. It's where and when we connect with our kaupapa or foundation and purpose of life.

Naturally, then, we notice when people – friends and others – are missing. **Pressures tugging us away are strong.** That's always been the case. The Book of Hebrews, encouraging early Jewish Christians not to be lured back to old ways, puts it this way: **"Hold tight to the hope we profess... Be concerned for each other so that you keep up love and good works... Do not be absent from your own assemblies (parishes) and encourage one another"** (cf. Hebrews 10:23-25). So, our obligation to Sunday Mass was not an invention of Bishops or anyone else. Rather it is a reminder to **do what is natural to us as God's whānau. Sunday Mass far from curtailing our freedom enhances it, as it shapes the true persons and communities we are called to be.**

November is parish statistics month. **Why not be a "good news" statistic?** For those of us who are a bit irregular coming to Mass, how about setting yourself a challenge? Form a new habit. Change your question from "shall I go to Mass today?" to "which Mass shall I go to today?" If those who come once a month came every second Sunday and those who come every second Sunday came every Sunday, **our parish life and mission would be revitalized and reinvigorated hugely.**

**Thanks to each and every one of you for your sense of belonging,** no matter what stage that is at. Feel encouraged. The priests and I are here simply to serve you, and we love doing that.

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## November Mass Requests for Holy Souls & Offerings

During the month of November we pray for all the faithfully departed. Masses can be requested for loved ones by completing forms (located in the foyer next to the newsletters) and putting the forms in envelopes (supplied) and then in the box located in the sanctuary marked: 'Holy Souls'.

### Mass Offerings

It is customary to make an offering of \$10.00 per Mass requested. Offerings are for the priest who celebrates the requested Mass and should be included in the envelope if you wish Mass(es) for the repose of those mentioned to be the priest's private prayer intention during a particular Mass(es). Intentions can be combined for as many souls as you would like prayed for during the Sacrifice of the Mass.

### Requiescant in Pace

### PARISH OFFICE

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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 Nov 5<sup>th</sup>: Malachi 1:14—2:2, 8-10; 1 Thess 2:7-9, 13; Mt 23:1—12.

### ROSTERS: October

**Church Cleaning:** (Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>) Patria Kerr and Freda Reggers.

**Counting:** (31<sup>st</sup>) Leigh Basile.

**Flowers:** (28<sup>th</sup>) Mary O'Connor.

**Greeters: Vigil 5:30pm** Betty Donaldson and Roselle Gouwland

**8am** Pat and Maurice McDonald **10am** Dianne Jordan.

**Readers: Vigil 5:30pm** Kerry Hocquard and Rosalie McCann **8am** Brian Wilkinson and Kath Rooney **10am** Ebele Ezepeue and Sharon Crooks.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Vigil 5:30pm** Dennis Jones, Pat Curran, John Werder, Denise Bailey, Hannah Brown

**8am** Kieran McCormack, Judy Nixon, John Lynch **10am** Paul Darbyshire, Julia Sissons, Jenny Joseph, Mary Murrow, Mary O'Connor.

**Altar Servers: 10am** Logan Brown and Gabriel Josafat.

**Children's Liturgy:** Narelle O'Connor.

**Hospitality: 10am** Dianne Jordan and Susan Ingram.

**Religious Goods/Library:** Wally Semmens.

**Linen:** (Nov) Maria Lukkassen.

**Lawns:** (Oct 28<sup>th</sup>) Denise Mallon.