



Diocese of  
Palmerston North

# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Parish

Palmerston North (1951)

Te Pariha o te mārou Wahine o Ruata



## Priest Ministers

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## LOLO MASSES

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

## SACRED HEART RONGOTEA

9:00am: 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays

## ST MARY'S FOXTON MASSES

10:30am Sun  
10:30am Thurs

## ST JOSEPH'S SHANNON MASSES

9:00am 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays

## RECONCILIATION

Sat 10:30am—11:00am  
and on request

## EUCCHARIST ADORATION

Fri: 10:30am—Noon  
7:00pm—9:00pm

## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time—23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018; Year B / Weekdays Year 2

**Psalm Response: The Lord upholds my life.**

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

### Rite of Welcome to the Catechumenate

Our next session as part of the discernment process for children here at OLOL will be on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October following 9:30am Mass.**

“Come and See” an enquiry evening for adults interested in becoming members of the Catholic Community will be at the

**Cathedral of the Holy Spirit on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 7:30am-9:00pm.**

If you're interested, in this wonderful Sacrament please get in touch with Fr Joe, the School or the Parish office.

### LOLO Anointing Mass and morning tea

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 10:00am.** If you require transport please contact the parish office, 358 3667. If you are able to provide a plate of food for morning tea it would be appreciated.

### LOLO Eucharistic Ministry

**LOLO Church 7:00pm—8:30pm**

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September**

**Theology of the Eucharist as we celebrate, practical actions and Q & A time.**

### LOLO Coffee group meets every

Tuesday at 9:15am during term time in the Church foyer. Anyone welcome to come in for a casual chat; toys for kids, hot drinks for adults.

**Call Maria 021 02760945 or Laura 027 4273683 for any questions, or just turn up on the day!**

• **LOLO Prayer Chain:** Ph Eileen O'Connor 329 1801/021 671 755 or the Parish Office.

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

**Our Lady of Lourdes Guild** Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 1:30pm “Art and Garden” afternoon at Mary Murray's home. No comps but a plate for afternoon tea. Further information phone June 3547686 or Rose 3575429. All welcome.

**Men's breakfast.** Come and be fed physically, relationally and spiritually. **Next breakfast Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October, 6.45 to 8.00, Our Lady of Lourdes meeting room.** Cereal, toast etc supplied. All welcome. Info John Hammond 027 688 7750.

**Passionist Family Groups in Aotearoa – 30 year celebration** Future, current and past PFG members are invited to celebrate 30 years of PFG on **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2018.** Starting with **Mass @ 5.30pm**, followed by **shared pot luck dinner in Our Lady of Lourdes Church Hall (Shamrock St, PN).**

RSVP and questions to Jenny & Stuart Doidge, PFG Regional Coordinators 0274187906; [doidgefamily@xtra.co.nz](mailto:doidgefamily@xtra.co.nz)



The Society of **Saint Vincent De Paul**, invites Parishioners citywide to join with the Society's members for their **Commissioning Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit,**

**5:30PM Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept 2018.** Bishop Owen Dolan, the Society's national Patron, will be presiding, inducting new members and rededicating existing members to the Society. Both Blessed Fredrick Ozanam, on 8<sup>th</sup>, and St Vincent De Paul, on 27<sup>th</sup> are remembered in September for the anniversaries of their passing. After this Mass nibbles and refreshments will be held in the Cathedral lounge.

**Retiring Collection will be taken up at all Masses in the city this weekend for victims of flooding in Kerala, India. If you would like a receipt please include your name and address with your donation.**



**Flea Market St. Pat's Hall Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October, 9:00am** proceeds to Deaf Art Centre Manawatu. Full details on the flyer in the gathering area.

**Today, Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3:00pm** in the Cathedral / Diocesan Centre, **Mark Richards** will have a public ‘presentation’ and Q&A session on: **“The structure of our Sunday liturgy as the source of our Christian life and as a pattern for our lives”.**

**All parishioners are welcome to attend.**

**We Pray for the Sick:** Ray Toy, Sheila Evans, Fr Joe O'Sullivan, Philippa Frost, Mark Richards, Tony Keenan, Gary Meyer, Bridget Dorn, Barbara and Graeme Younger, Michael Eades, Vinnie Carroll, Joan Lambourne, Evie Feierabend, Mary Jefferies, Marie Hubbard, 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**  
**William Dick**



**Catholic Young Adults** event this week: Dinner and social catch up at Te Ahi Kaa, 25A Amesbury St at 7:00pm, after the 6:00pm Mass at the Cathedral. If you would like to be added to the contact list for Young Adult Events, please contact Georgia on 021 811 148.

**Junior Youth Group with Jude Bell-White** has it's 2nd session scheduled for **27<sup>th</sup> September!** A Thursday night event to bring a friend along to for an hour of wicked fun! Held this coming Thursday at Our Lady Of Lourdes church foyer. If you're currently in years 7-9 and keen to meet new people and socialize, this is the youth group to show up to! Youth minister Jude Bell-White's contact details: +64 021 520 024; [jbwhite@pndiocese.org.nz](mailto:jbwhite@pndiocese.org.nz)

### ON THE NOTICEBOARD:

- **FR CHRIS SKINNER—St Brigids 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov**
- **MAX18NZ event for men 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> Sept**
- **MARIST JUNIOR CRICKET**

### ComPassion for Christ - St Mary's PN

This **Wednesday evening, 7:00pm-8:30pm.** Join us for 5 more meditations on the Passion of Christ! This week – The Garden of Gethsemane. Content is not suitable for young children. Koha (gold coin)  
Sharon Crooks [sharoncrooks@xtra.co.nz](mailto:sharoncrooks@xtra.co.nz)  
Raewyn Murray [murcon76@gmail.com](mailto:murcon76@gmail.com)

## Pastors Desk:

The clergy gathering in Christchurch last week and our Diocesan Priest's Assembly and Jubilarian's Mass in Whanganui this week have been highlights of fellowship and discussion. The priesthood, parish life, and lay participation in the life of the Church is changing, in most places, in substantial ways. We are becoming a Church of partnership and greater collaboration. In this process we can find ourselves wondering what comes next. How will we develop and what will the future look like, assuming of course that the past was a static place without change, which of course it wasn't.

Just as no marriage or love relationship stays the same from the first day of the engagement to the last day when one of the spouses dies, or leaves, so too the Church, the role of priests and the place and role of the lay-baptised, never remains static. For me, the question is where do we look for inspiration and for guidance for the present and for the future and to whom do we look to guide our decision-making?

If we are heading for a Church that is less clergy-focussed and more lay-ministry focused then we need to prepare for this in a variety of ways through Lay-presiders, Lay-homilists and Lay-Parish Leaders. All of these beg an explanation of the word, Lay! What does Lay mean and is it the right word in this context? Generally, a Layperson is a person distinct from the expert or professional and is not a member of the clergy. A Layperson is not qualified in a given profession or trade and does not possess the knowledge and privilege of the profession or trade.

All professions have their clergy (those who are trained in the arts and skills of the trade or profession), but is a baptised believer, who leads other baptised believers in worship, worshipping the God they both believe in and know through the sacraments, truly a lay person in the sense of the division of knowledge and skills?

The word *lay* derives from the Anglo-French *lai* and the late Latin *laicus*, which comes from the Greek, *λαϊκός*, *laikos*, **of the people**, from *λαός*, *laos*, the people at large. The word

for Greek word for liturgy *leitourgia* means the **work of the people**. The people are the People of God, the Body of Christ, and the work of this people is to worship God. The relationship between *laos* and *leitourgia* (the people and their service of worship) is the key to understanding the future role of ministry in the church, where we can begin to speak of ourselves as *laos* (the people) and our ministry to each other as liturgy (service).

Another question for me recently has been how do we inspire people to believe in a world where everything is going well and life is pretty good? This comes from conversations with parishioners both here and in Germany. When I asked, "why have people left?" generally the response is "well, things are too good, and people don't need God when life is going well". Is the conclusion that religion, faith and belief are only valuable when things are bad, sad or dangerous and of no value when life is good, healthy and safe?

If this is true, then is it reasonable to conclude that religion, faith and belief are of no value to wealthy, healthy people living in safe content places like New Zealand and Germany? If this is so, then do we need to develop a way of *doing* religion, faith and belief for wealthy, healthy people in peaceful countries?

Visiting Bethlehem in the West Bank or Palestine was, sadly, another affirmation that religion is strong in war torn places where peace is a negotiated moment between bouts of violence. Is this the true place of religion and of Christianity to be in places of war, violence and hatred but not exist with strength in our world of comfort, peace, prosperity and freedom of movement? I guess, this is a question for each of us to consider as we consider how we become an evangelising parish in the reality of our context.

Fr. Joe



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### NEXT WEEK: 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018

**Readings Sept 30<sup>th</sup>:** Num 11:25-29; James 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48.

### ROSTERS: September 24<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>

**Church Cleaning:** (Sept 17<sup>th</sup>) Mary Murrow and Margo Andrew-Pomare.

**Counting:** (Sep 25<sup>th</sup>) Jane Charlton.

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

**9:30am** Josie Conlon.

**Readers: 5:30pm** Jane Charlton, Kerry Hocquard, Roselle Gouwland.

**9:30am** Iveta Griffin, Meg de Joux, David Griffin.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: 5:30pm** Judith and Martin Wall, Denise Bailey, Cecily Finucane, Hannah Brown

**9:30am** Paul Darbyshire, Clare Cole, Stephen Guy, Eileen O'Connor, Julia Sissons.

**Flowers:** Mary O'Connor.

**Altar Servers: 9:30am** Tessa Amey and Cooper McKillen.

**Children's Liturgy:** Donna Brown.

**Hospitality: 9:30am** Rose and Wally Semmens.

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

**Lawns:** (Sept 29<sup>th</sup>) Denise Mallon.