



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: 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

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time—30th September 2018; Year B / Weekdays Year 2



Do you know some-
one who might be
interested in finding
out about the
Catholic faith?

RCIA enquiry nights have started but we are still welcoming new members. At present we are meeting in the Cathedral lounge (where we make the cups of tea) on Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm. Please bring along anyone you know who is interested. There is no commitment, just a chance for interested people to come and have a look. If you do not have a supporter, you are also welcome to come alone. We are a relaxed and friendly group. For further information contact Cushla Hughes 3552117.

Rite of Welcome to the Catechumenate

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

Our Lady of Lourdes Guild Wednesday 3rd

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 5th October, 6.45 to 8.00, Our Lady of Lourdes meeting room.** Cereal, toast etc supplied. All welcome. Info John Hammond 027 688 7750.

Planned Giving Envelopes for the new gifting year are available in the gathering area today. Could you please check your details on the label and advise us of any changes so we can update our records. Thank you for your generous weekly/monthly donations for the upkeep of our parish.

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!



Passionist Family Groups in Aotearoa – 30 year celebration Future, current and past PFG members are invited to celebrate 30 years of PFG on **Saturday 13th 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;



- **LOLO Prayer Chain:** Ph Eileen O'Connor 329 1801/021 671 755 or the Parish Office.
- **ON SALE— NZ Catholic \$4; Tui Motu \$7.**



Thank you from the St Vincent de Paul Society, for the generosity of our parishioners, and those from all the Palmerston North Parishes, who contributed to the retiring collection, for the residents in Kerala who have suffered from serious flooding. The Citywide response was beyond expectation.



ACROSS AGM Wednesday October 24th, Noon, All Saint's 338 Church Street Palmerston North. All Welcome

Sunday, 7 October Venerable Suzanne Aubert

The annual Suzanne Aubert Celebration Sunday is a day for all Catholics to celebrate and remember the spirituality and good works of this remarkable woman and to be inspired by what she achieved and to following in her footsteps. Please continue to pray that the church will soon recognize Venerable Suzanne Aubert's intercession in a miracle which enables her to be beatified.



Congratulations and blessings to Bishop Owen Dolan who is celebrating his 90th birthday this weekend, 30th September.

We Pray for the Sick: Fr Tom O'Connor sm, William Harrison, Ray Toy, Sheila Evans, Fr Joe O'Sullivan, Philippa Frost, Mark Richards, Trevor Wilson, 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, Toshi Sekizaki, Oliver Gillespie, Guiseppina Dujany, Siobhan Thomson.

Died Recently

Sr Barbara Cowan, William Dick

Please note: No Young Adult event at Te Ahi Kaa this week.....but please contact Georgia on 021811148 if you would like to be added to our contact list. Have a great week!

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Catholic Hospital Pastoral/Spiritual Care, MidCentral Health, Kathleen Field: 021 509 436.
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ON THE NOTICEBOARD:

- **FR CHRIS SKINNER—St Brigids 3rd Nov**
- **MARIST JUNIOR CRICKET**



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

ComPassion for Christ - St Mary's PN Wednesday evening, 7:00pm-8:30pm.

This week – The Scourging of Jesus. Join us for an evening of meditation and prayer. Content is not suitable for young children. Koha (gold coin) Sharon Crooks sharoncrooks@xtra.co.nz
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Pastors Desk:

The life of the Church is one of *ecclesia semper reformanda* (the church is always being reformed or always in need of reform). Reform always has the counter-tension of regression. These counter-tensions of reform and regression play out their parts in the Church (home, parish, diocese and universal). For us, who are the Church, the work of reform is guided by the vision of the Second Vatican Council's theology of baptismal ecclesiology.

Baptismal ecclesiology is the theology of baptism that runs through so much of the Council's thinking. Ecclesiology is the word for "Church". So the starting point for thinking and talking about the Church is baptism. This is a powerful and important place to begin, because it defines both who we are as believers and what we can do as members of the Church or *ecclesiae*.

The theology of the Baptismal Church doesn't begin with the distinctions of laity and clergy. These distinctions of power come afterwards and need to be moderated and viewed in light of the foundational meaning of baptism. The Second Vatican Council sought to reanimate the biblical understanding of the priesthood of all believers, and to reorient our understanding of the ordained priesthood back to the preaching of the Gospel and authentic pastoral care of the baptised.

In both *Presbyterorum ordinis*, 9 and *Apostolicam actuositatem*, 3 the task of the priesthood is to identify the Spirit at work in the community. The ministry of priesthood to the community is to test for authenticity and to empower the gifts of the Spirit present in the community and individuals. This is a radical difference to the later directions under Benedict XVI that re-sacralised the ministerial, liturgical functions through the present mass translation and the directive for the priest not to leave the sanctuary to give and receive the Sign of Peace.

The theology of baptism is also the basis of our "spiritual instinct for the faith" or our *sensus fidei*, as described in *Lumen gentium*, 12. The *sensus fidei* is a guiding spirit as to what is of the necessity and truth of faith in Christ, his resurrection, mission and presence in the Church. The *sensus fidei* enables us to detect the lesser things that hide these truths and to challenge them.

The theology of baptism calls each believer to be missionary in a missionary Church. It is easy to say that the vocation of the laity is "in the world" or "in the secular workplace" as a way of excluding laity from the "sacred workplace" of the church organisation, which only the clergy can inhabit. This is not the intention of the Vatican Council. In its document *Ad gentes divinitus*, 2 the Council teaches that the Church is missionary by its very nature and that those who are baptised into the Church, which is the Mystical Body of Christ himself, are baptised into the mission of Christ, and share with him in his work of salvation.

As such, we are first of all, all missionaries of salvation. We are called to live as members of the presence of God in the world and in the Church. As *presence* we do not live in a refined, perfected, sinless state, but rather as human community that is both seeking and receiving mercy, forgiveness, hope and peace from God.

In the words of Pope Francis in *Evangelii Gaudium*, 49 the Church is a "field hospital" and it "will be bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets", which he contrasts to a Church "which is unhealthy from being confined and from clinging to its own security". Francis' understanding of the Church deeply undermines the power structures of elitism and clericalism. Therefore, it should be no surprise when the beneficiaries of those structures speak against this vision.

The community of the Church is not a perfect society, but rather a society of sinners seeking the perfection of God and the forgiveness of each other. We need to show this humility, especially now. When we speak of salvation we also speak of forgiveness and conversion. In forgiveness and conversion we find peace, truth, hope and salvation.

Joe Grayland

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NEXT WEEK: 7th October 2018

Readings Oct 7th: Gen 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16.

ROSTERS: October 1st—7th

Church Cleaning: Pat Curran and Prue Smith.

Counting: Marion Carey.

Greeters: Vigil 5:30pm John and June Lynch 9:30am Dianne Jordan.

Readers: 5:30pm Kath Gardiner, Rosalie McCann, Rolyenne Grocero
9:30am Wendy Derksen, Katelyn Alexander, Alesha Alexander.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: 5:30pm Monica Hammond, Denis Jones, Pat Curran, Raymond Jones, John Werder 9:30am Jeanette and Eric Wright, Jacinta Cousins, Mary Murrow, Eileen O'Connor.

Flowers: Ann O'Hara and Judy Walker.

Altar Servers: 9:30am Teresa Alexander and Isla Hyde.

Children's Liturgy: School Holidays.

Hospitality: 9:30am Theo van Duin.

Religious Goods/Library: Diane Baucke.

Lawns: (Sept 29th) Denise Mallon.

Linen: (October) Mary O'Connor.