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ROSTER FOR SATURDAY 21 NOVEMBER AND SUNDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2020

	St Pius X Church, Titahi Bay	Our Lady of Fatima Church, Tawa	
	Saturday 5.30pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10.30am
Music	Sue, Lily & Henry Smith	Chorum	Song of Mary
Reader Prayer Leader	Telesia Alaimoana Orsi Bacskai	Teresita Minga Laura Sommer	Sesilia Kitiona Socorro Laureles
Offertory	Charles Framhein and Joan Conroy	Nicola O'Keeffe	Bernadette Tait
Collector		John Burke	Mike & Jing Moredo
Altar Servers	Matalena Iosefa Thomas Iosefa	Francis Arnold Joseph Arnold Thomas Newell	Ana Paulo Ano Paulo
Eucharistic Ministers	Ian McClean Angela McFarlane Rosa Simeona	Mary Fuimaono Gerad Chaplin Pim Jansen	Patricia Budding Vitolina Thomas Terry Hurliman
Greeters	Denise Dorman	Mel & John Robinson	Brian & Evelyn Lang
Counters		Andrew Oliver, Arnold Fudotan, Joy Chaplin	
Cup of Tea			
	Altar Care: Tetaake Itinteang	Flowers: Jeanie Fyfe	Cleaning: D Jansen, M Nicol, M Baker

DAILY READINGS

Mon 16/11	Apocalypse 1:1-4,2:1-5; Psalm 1; Luke 18:35-43	Tues 17/11	Apocalypse 3:1-6,14-22; Psalm 15; Luke 19:1-10
Wed 18/11	Apocalypse 4:1-11; Psalm 150; Luke 19:11-28	Thurs 19/11	Apocalypse 5:1-10; Psalm 149; Luke 19:41-44
Fri 20/11	Apocalypse 10:8-11; Psalm 119P; Luke 19:45-48	Sat 21/11	Apocalypse 11:4-12; Psalm 144; Luke 20:27-40

Feast of Christ the King, Yr A: Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17; Psalm 23; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28; Matt 25:31-46



Happenings

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31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A - 15 NOVEMBER 2020

HOPE TO DIE

WE PROFESS BELIEF in “the resurrection of the *body* and life everlasting.” Something is lost in translation here: the ancient Greek version of the Creed that our ancestors were familiar with uses the Greek word *sarx* (flesh), instead of the word *soma* (body). In effect, they were looking forward to a resurrection of the flesh.

The *Remembrance of the Dead* is also meant to strengthen our hope in the face of death. The “day of the Lord” in our **Second Reading** could mean the End of Time, but it could also mean “the end of our bodily life”. Thus, St Paul urges us not to waste our time “sleeping” but to “stay wide awake and sober”. A productive life while mindful of the Lord’s concerns, as our **First Reading** and **Psalms** remind us, is a good way to live out the **Gospel** for this Sunday about investing the “talents” our Divine Master left us with.

We hope to die a holy death that we might encounter God, the object of all our longings and desires. For, all our thirsts and cravings—from pleasures of sex, food, and drink and to earthly honours and emotional comforts—point to the “Author of all that is good” that our **Collect (Opening Prayer)** hints at. Indeed, as someone puts it, “every man who knocks at the door of a brothel is looking for God.” St Augustine movingly said in his book *Confessions*, “You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in you.”

This November, please continue praying for our faithful departed; our **Prayer over the Offerings** asks that (together with them,) “we may obtain the prize of everlasting happiness”: *Saints of God, come to their aid! Hasten to meet them, angels of the Lord! Receive their souls and present them to God the Most High.*

Blessings,
Rico Angelo



Eternal
Happiness

STORIES OF HOPE

Please pick up your copy from the Church foyer TODAY.

EVER ANCIENT, EVER NEW

(Quotes from the past)

"Because you have proved trustworthy in managing a small amount, come and share your master's joy." – Matthew 25:23

[Gospel]



ONE SERVANT HAS a different answer. He says: "I knew you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not winnowed; and I was afraid, and hid your talent." "Here it is—you have back what belongs to you."

What does the Master say to that? "You wicked servant! You should have put my money in the bank," that is, "You should have spoken out and given encouragement and advice." "But no one will pay attention." "That is not your concern. You should have deposited the money" he says, "and left me to reclaim it, which I should have done with interest," meaning by interest the good works that are seen to follow the hearing of the word. "The easier part is all you were expected to do, leaving the harder part to me."

Because the servant failed to do this, the Master said: "Take the talent away from him, and give it to the servant who has the ten talents. For to everyone who has more will be given, and he will have enough and to spare; but the one who has not will forfeit even he little he has."

What is the meaning of this? That whoever has received for the good of others the ability to preach and teach, and does not use it, will lose that ability, whereas the zealous servant will be given greater ability, even as the other forfeits what he had. - **St John Chrysostom, Homily 78 on Saint Matthew's Gospel**



NOVEMBER – REMEMBERING THE BELOVED DEAD

In November, it is our custom to remember those God has called home. You can place the names of those family and friends whom you would like prayed for at each Mass celebrated during November in the box in front of the altar

If you are adding a Mass Stipend or donation in memory of the dead, please put it in an envelope with the name(s) on the front and hand it into the parish office.

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS/WEEKLY COLLECTION

8 Nov 2020 - \$1,181.80

This amount does not include Bank Automatic payments or direct debit payments.



MASSES: Deceased members of the Langham and Moore families (16); Deceased parishioners (22).

ANNIVERSARIES: Daniel Greally (15); Carmel Cheshire (21).

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Nellie Gordon, Tamilo Lamositele (16); Marie Fahey, Zella Casey, Francies Gurhy, Hendrina Jansen, Olando Smith (17); Mary O'Connor, Edna Schultz, Patricia Reidy (18); Valerie Dick (19); Maximilian Koschak, Charles Gawn, Kathleen Hagan (20); Myrtle Bevan, Bruce Wardrop, James Hazlewood (21); John Cloughery, Kathleen Thresh, Carmel Cheshire (22).

R.I.P

May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen

16-22 NOVEMBER - MASS & SERVICE TIMES

	OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCH TAWA	ST PIUS X CHURCH, TITAHI BAY
Monday	9am Mass	
Tuesday	9am Mass	
Wednesday	9am Mass 9.30am - 9pm Adoration	
Thursday	9am Mass	10am Mass
Friday	9am Mass	
Saturday	9am Mass	5.30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	8.30am/10.30am Mass	

Weekday Masses may be replaced by a Funeral Mass



Reconciliation is available:

Before 8.30am Mass and 10.30am Mass Sunday morning in the Crying Room, at Our Lady of Fatima Church,

or at any time by approaching a Priest or by appointment
ph (04) 232 5611 or text 021 205 6476.

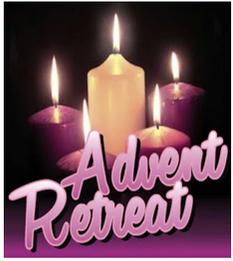


NZ Catholic has been named as Publication of the Year at the Australasian Religious Press Association 2020 Awards.

The 15-28 November issue of NZ Catholic is out now.

Some headlines are: Priests and bishop at pro-life street vigil. Nuncio speaks on youth, laity and Pope's vision. Memorial for young Christchurch priest killed in accident. Tauranga couple die on same day after 66 years married.

The next issue of NZ Catholic will be published on 29 November.



Led by Rex Begley and Fr Donald Hornsey SSC. Time to reflect on what's happened since last Christmas; to prepare for the Lord's coming; to focus on the essentials. *Magnificat Retreat Centre, Cross Creek Road, Featherston. 27-29 November. Cost: \$190.00. Registration required. Contact: 027 545 6808 or 027 967 2299 or email: rexandtheresabegley@gmail.com*

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE

You're invited to love them both by attending the fourth annual National March for Life. Gather at *Civic Square, Wellington on Saturday 5 December from 1pm* for family-friendly entertainment. March to Parliament Grounds begins at 2pm and concludes at 4pm. For more info go to marchforlife.nz



MASS FOR LIFE

Friday 4 December, 7pm at St Mary of the Angels, Boulcott Street. You're invited to pray for babies, mums, dads and families. For more info visit fli.org.nz/prolifeevents or phone Clare: 021 231 7954.

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL - Draft Cemeteries Management Plan open for feedback

Earlier this year WCC conducted a review of the Strategic and Management Plan for Makara, Karori and Tawa Cemeteries. You are now invited to respond to the draft plan, consultation overview document and feedback survey which are online at: www.letstalk.wellington.govt.nz/cemeteries

Feedback is open until 5pm on 11 December

As we have now returned to Alert Level 1, all Masses have resumed. The following protocols must be adhered to for all Masses:

- 1) Although you are now not required to sign in or scan the QR code, it is wise to continue these tracing services.
- 2) Please ensure you sanitise your hands on entering.
- 3) Holy Water has been removed from the fonts.
- 4) NO physical contact at the Sign of Peace but an acknowledgment of some nature.
- 5) Holy Communion will be under one kind only, therefore no Precious Blood is to be distributed in the meantime.
- 6) Communion on the hand only. If you wish to receive Communion on the tongue, please come up last in the queue for Holy Communion.
- 7) Please note that there is dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass should you feel you have any health related concerns. **If you are feeling unwell, please refrain from getting to church.**



*Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.
We all need to do our bit so we can avoid the virus spreading.*

RESPONSORY FOR OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES

Priest: May our prayer express our affection for our sisters and brothers; may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully meet them again when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself.

*(The priest sprinkles the box with **Holy Water** to remind us of our baptism through which we became members of God's family).*

Priest: Saints of God, come to their aid! Hasten to meet them, angels of the Lord!

All: *Receive their souls and present them to God the Most High.*

Priest: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself; may angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham!

All: *Receive their souls and present them to God the Most High.*

Priest: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

All: *Receive their souls and present them to God the Most High.*

PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

Priest: Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our sisters and brothers in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, they will rise with him on the last day. Merciful Lord, turn towards us and listen to our prayers: open the gates of paradise to your servants and help us who remain to comfort one another with assurances of faith, until we all meet in Christ and are with you and with our sisters and brothers for ever. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

All: *Amen*



PARISH FUNERALS

The parish often helps to serve the refreshments after a funeral. Money raised goes to St Vincent de Paul.

Do you think you could help? We need more people on the roster. Obviously, being short notice, the first people called aren't always available.

Please contact Sally Horan - horanps@xtra.co.nz - ph: 027 439 2731



Can Alana Collins please contact the Parish Office - thanks

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

Kia ora, Talofa lava, Greetings to all our volunteers at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Tawa and St Pius X Church, Titahi Bay.

This is a reminder about the safeguarding meeting this *Sunday 15 November at Our Lady of Fatima Church (Side Chapel) from 9.30am-10.20am.*

You should have received an email last week about the Safeguarding Programme and forms for you to fill in. This meeting is to answer any queries you may have about the programme and for us to help you with form filling if needed. Bring your forms (completed or not) and ID documents where necessary. Spare forms will be available.

Thank you and God bless you, Rupi Mapusua
NB: Please note that Readers, Greeters, Collectors, Flower ladies and Cleaners are not required to attend.



MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR HENRY SMITH

You are more than welcome to join us for a memorial celebration for Henry on *Saturday 28 November at 11am at St Pius X Church, Titahi Bay*, followed by refreshments.

Please bring a plate to share.

For more info and RSVP, please email: lily.smith@porirua.govt.nz

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

This programme, for adults who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith will begin with an Introductory/Welcome session. This is an opportunity for those interested in joining the Catholic Church family to come along and find out a little about the RCIA programme and to ask questions.

This session will be held on *Sunday 13 December at 4pm in the Foyer at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Tawa.*

This programme is designed for those wishing to become Catholic. If you or a friend would like to join this programme, please come along on the 13th or phone: Fr Rico 021 205 6476 or Jane at the Parish Office - (04) 232 5611 or email: ourladyofhope@xtra.co.nz

If you would like to assist Fr Rico and be a member of the team running the programme, please contact Fr Rico. Thanks



Dear God, we pray for all students who are preparing for exams. We ask your Holy Spirit to guide them and give them the understanding and knowledge that comes only from you. Grant them favour, and bring the information that they have studied to mind that is needed for each exam they take. Bless each student, in Jesus name, we pray. Amen



XAVIER YOUTH

Parish Youth Group for Years 9-13 meet for fellowship and fun, fortnightly from 7.30-9.30pm on Friday evenings at Our Lady of Fatima Church foyer.

The remaining term dates are: 20 November, 4 & 18 December. For further info, please contact Paul - ph: 027 304 0712

ST PIUS X SCHOOL, TITAHY BAY: Enrolments for 2020 and 2021

If you have a child who is turning 5 soon, or you may know of someone who is looking for a Catholic school for their child this year or for 2021, we would be keen to hear from you!

St Pius X School is open for enrolments so please contact the Office Manager, Mrs Angeline O'Connor office@saintpius.school.nz or ring 04 236 7006 for more information.



JOSHUA FELLOWSHIP

Come and join other men for a cuppa, prayer and a talk on *Thursday 19 November at 7pm* for fellowship for a 7.30pm start in the "Loaves and Fishes" next to the Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, Cnr Hill and Molesworth Streets. **Speaker:** Mark MacCallum on "Suzanne Aubert - a Saint-in-Waiting for Kiwi Men". **Want to know more?** Ring Steve Reedy 027 356 9555 or email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com



HOLY HOUR

You are invited to a Holy Hour on *Tuesday 17 November beginning at 7.30pm in the Connolly Hall chapel, Guildford Tce*, to pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. This Holy Hour will include prayers, scripture, singing, times of silence and conclude with Benediction followed by supper.

VACANCIES

The Archdiocese is currently advertising the following leadership roles which report to the General Manager. Further details can be found on the OCG and Seek websites.

Director: Development, Investment and Finance: <https://www.seek.co.nz/job/50868580?type=standout#searchRequestToken=2b8ddbfc-f89e-4b94-ba75-ef317d7b256d>

<https://www.ocg.co.nz/resources/jobs/director-development-investment-and-finance/SMA68485OCG>

Director: Church Mission: <https://www.seek.co.nz/job/50860461?type=standout#searchRequestToken=2b8ddbfc-f89e-4b94-ba75-ef317d7b256d>
<https://www.ocg.co.nz/resources/jobs/director-church-mission/SMA68375OCG>