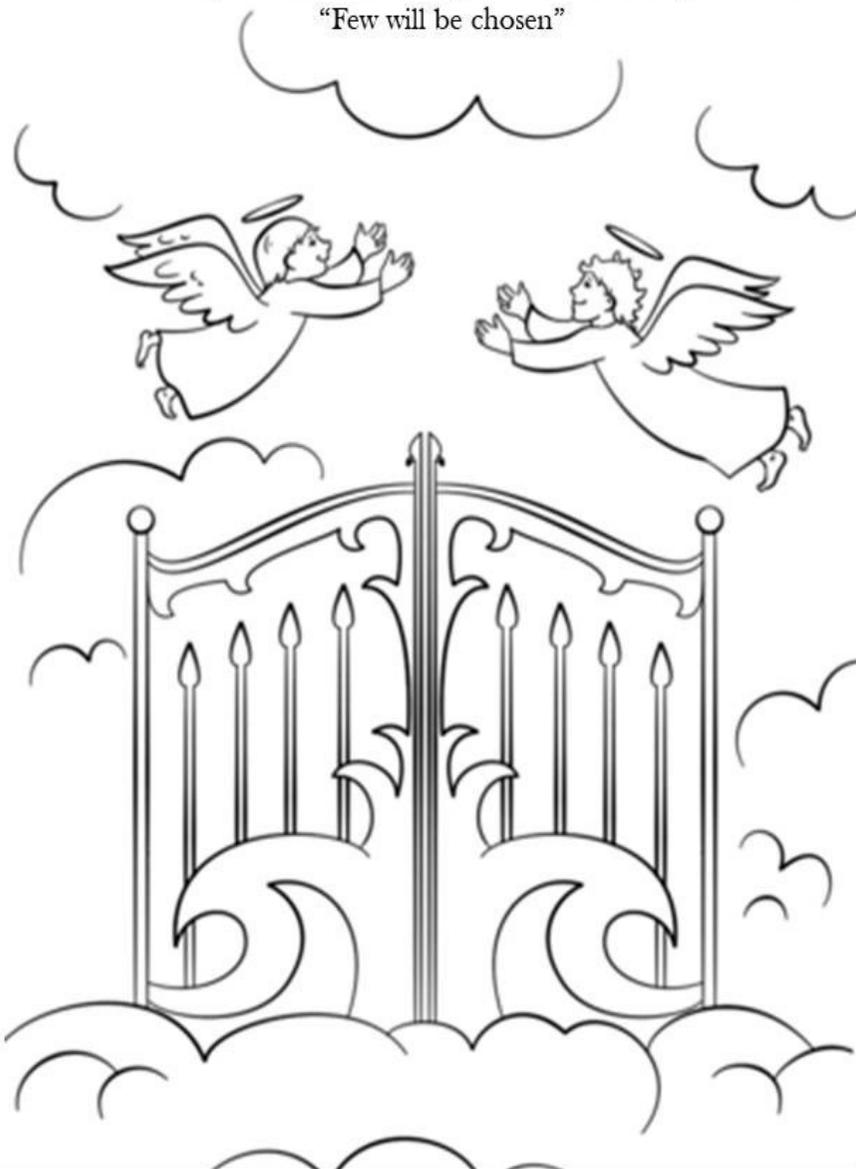


## Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Few will be chosen"



"Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough."

Luke 13:22-30



# Happenings

Our Lady of Hope Parish, Tawa-Titahi Bay  
OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCH - 169 Main Road, TAWA  
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21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C - 21 AUGUST 2022

### *Quam singulari [How special]*

NORMALLY, I WOULD USE *Eucharistic Prayer III* for our Sunday Mass because of its emphasis on the Church as a worldwide family of God. Towards the end of the Eucharistic Prayer, you would hear me say "May [Christ] make of us an eternal offering to you, so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect, ... with **St Pius X**, St Francis Xavier and with all the Saints, on whose constant intercession in your presence we rely for unfailing help."

This Sunday is supposed to be the feast day of St Pius, but our Liturgical Calendar dictates that Sunday liturgy, not the sanctoral, should be celebrated. However, as I did in the past, I'll bring out the relic of St Pius after the final blessing for public veneration on Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses (20-21 Aug). To those of you who are receiving this newsletter on Friday afternoon, please spread the word.

Going back ... Aside from having lived a simple, humble and holy life, St Pius is best remembered for issuing *Quam singulari* ["How special", 15 Aug 1910] which allowed children to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Communion once they reach the age of reason, instead of them having to wait longer. The decree also encouraged, if possible, the daily reception of the Eucharist. It's gravely concerning that we seem to take for granted the source of blessing that is the Eucharist, accessible to us everyday.

Here's a story I heard. It is funny. And tragic.

A Baptist minister, an Anglican, and a Catholic priest walked into a bar. They talked about getting rid of a huge number of cats in their respective rectories. The Baptist said, "I would read a Bible passage to them; they would vanish for a couple of weeks but they always return."

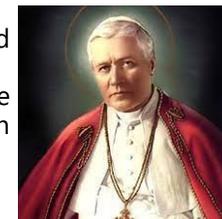
The Anglican said, "I would include them in the service; they would be gone for a couple of months but they would always come back."

"Father, you don't have a lot of them. How'd you do it?," they asked the Catholic priest.

And the priest replied, "I baptize them catholic and they come back no more!"

If only we have a deeper love and longing for the Eucharist like St Pius X, how special our worldwide faith-family would be!

Blessings  
Rico Angelo



## EVER ANCIENT, EVER NEW

(Quotes from the past)

**People will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. (Lk 13:29)**



**L**OVE GOD MORE THAN yourself, then, and already you will begin to have what you desire to possess fully in heaven. Be at one with God and with other men and women—so long as they are not at variance with God—and already you will begin to reign with God and all the saints.

The desires of God and all the saints will be the same as yours in heaven, if your desires now are the same as those of God and other people. So, if you want to be a king in heaven, love God and other people as you should and then you will deserve to become what you desire.

But you cannot have this perfect love unless you empty your heart of every other love. That is why those who fill their hearts with love of God and neighbour desire nothing but the will of God or that of some fellow human being—provided this is not contrary to God.

That is why they devote themselves to prayer, spiritual conversations, and reflection, for it is a joy to them to long for God and to speak, hear, and think about him whom they dearly love. - **St Anslem of Canterbury, Letter 112**



**Reconciliation** is available before Vigil and Sunday Masses or by appointment - please phone (04) 232 5611 or text 021 205 6476.

### 22-28 August

*Monday:* Matthew 23:13-22; *Tuesday:* Matthew 23:23-26; *Wednesday:* John 1:45-51; *Thursday:* Matthew 24:42-51; *Friday:* Matthew 25:1-13; *Saturday:* Matt 25:14-30; **22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C:** Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20,28-29; Psalm 68; Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24; Luke 14:1,7-14

**MASSES:** Arnel Galvan, RIP (28)



**ANNIVERSARIES:** Filomena Lolesio (23)

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:** Mary Crowley, Silvia Rea (22); Patricia Davey, Mervyn Nippert, Filomena Lolesio (23); Thomas Dunne, June Jacobs, Edna Russell, Roy Walker, Audrey Pike, Patricia Burke, Colleen Turner (24); Frank Robinson, John Trischler, Charlotte Rogers, Ed Juchnowicz (25); Clara Kidson, Doris Gore, Marjorie Harding, Winifred Thomas (26); Keith Andrewartha (27); Anthony Aplin, Marguerite O'Halloran, Lillian Coster, Mary Hagger, James Wilson, Benjamin Caronongan, Veronica (Roni) Gray (28).

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

### 22-28 AUGUST: MASS & SERVICE TIMES

**Registration and Vaccination Passes no longer required**

	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	8.30 and 10.30am Mass	

Weekday Masses may be replaced by a Funeral Mass

<b>Parish Priest:</b>	Fr Rico de la Torre	Ph: 021 205 6476	
<b>Parish Secretary:</b>	Jane Lee	Ph: 232 5611	169 Main Road, Tawa
	Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9.30am-12 noon		
<b>Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson:</b>	Marie Prescott		Ph: 232 7679
<b>Parish Finance Committee Chairperson:</b>	Graeme Hansen		Ph: 232 4360
<b>Marist Sisters:</b>	Srs Francine McGovern & Margaret Vanev		Ph: 232 5151
<b>St Francis Xavier School:</b>	Joan Woods, Principal		Ph: 232 8927
<b>St Pius X School:</b>	Philippa Matla, Acting Principal		Ph: 236 7006
<b>Bishop Viard College:</b>	Chris Theobald, Principal		Ph: 237 5248

### PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS/WEEKLY COLLECTION

**15 August 2022 - \$1,383.90**

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



### HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN VACANCY

We seek a qualified person to work as a member of the Wellington Hospital Chaplaincy Team. This position is permanent part-time, 20 hours per week.

The Catholic Chaplaincy provides for the pastoral, spiritual, ethical and religious needs of patients and staff at Wellington Hospital.

The successful candidate will come from a committed Catholic ministry background, demonstrate the maturity and resilience required to be a Chaplain. You will have undertaken ongoing formation and had at least two years of pastoral ministry. You will need a demonstrated aptitude for working in mental health. A commitment to ongoing CPD to become a registered healthcare chaplain with NZHCA is required.

Please send a covering letter and CV to Kamau Holland at reception@wn-catholicsocialservices.org.nz. Applications close: 5pm, Friday 9 September.



### MASS FOR LIFE

You're invited to pray for babies, mums, dads and families at a Mass for Life on *Friday 2 December, 7pm at St Mary of the Angels Church, Boulcott Street, Wellington.*

Cardinal John Dew will be the principal celebrant.

Eucharistic Adoration will follow for one hour after Mass to

pray in readiness for the National March for Life. For more info please visit [fli.org.nz/proliffevents](http://fli.org.nz/proliffevents) or phone Clare: 021 231 7954.



### NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE

You're invited to love them both by attending the 6th annual National March for Life in Wellington on *Saturday 3 December.*

Join people of goodwill from all over NZ in a celebration of life which also *peacefully* protests the practice and legality of abortion. Gather at *Civic Square from 1pm* for family-

friendly entertainment, sausage sizzle and pro-life stalls. *March to Parliament Grounds begins at 2pm and concludes at 4pm.* Learn more about this important event at a critical moment in NZ's history: [www.marchforlife.nz](http://www.marchforlife.nz)



### HEARTS AFLAME CATHOLIC SUMMER SCHOOL

Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School is back this summer with 10 days of world-class lectures, uplifting prayer and authentic community!

Hearts Aflame is a life-changing experience for young adults aged 18-35 who want to know more about their faith and meet other Catholic young adults from all over New Zealand. Join us this year at Nga Tawa Diocesan School, Marton from 30 December 2022 until 8 January 2023.

You can register at: [www.heartsaflame.org.nz/registration](http://www.heartsaflame.org.nz/registration) or find out more at our website or on our social media.



Fides et Scientia



### OUR LADY OF HOPE YOUNG READERS

The Our Lady of Hope Parish young readers will have their first reading practice meeting on *Saturday, 27 August at 4pm in the Our Lady of Fatima Church foyer.*

Please contact Kingsley on:

[kingsley.ihejirika2015@gmail.com](mailto:kingsley.ihejirika2015@gmail.com) or

phone: 021 085 90918 for more information.



### ALTAR SERVING FOR OUR LADY OF HOPE PARISH

Our Lady of Hope Parish are inviting young boys and girls who want to play a more active role in the mass as an altar server to come forward.

Altar servers are the assistants for the priest and are a subtle but essential element of the mass.

We have scheduled training days in August for all new and existing altar servers. Your children will need to attend **one (1) session only**. Below are your options:

Date	Time	Venue
Saturday, 20 August	1.30 - 2.30 pm	Our Lady of Fatima Church Tawa
Saturday, 20 August	3.30 - 4.30 pm	St. Pius X Church, Titahi Bay
Sunday, 28 August	1.30 - 2.30 pm	Our Lady of Fatima Church, Tawa
Sunday, 28 August	3.30 - 4.30 pm	St. Pius X Church, Titahi Bay

If your children are

- aged under 18 years
- have received the sacrament of Holy Eucharist, and
- are interested in assisting the priest during mass,

please register them as an altar server (with their consent) by providing your child's name plus your name and contact details to Elaine at 022 507 5390.

Thanks



### YOUNG CHURCH MASS is back in AUGUST

The Young Church are excited to be joining Cardinal John and Life Teen Petone for Young Church Mass on *Sunday, 21 August, 5.30pm at Sacred Heart Church, Petone.*

Come and bring your friends along

## ST FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL ENROLMENTS FOR 2023



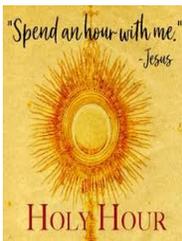
Enrolments for St Francis Xavier School for 2023 are now open. Contact the school office to arrange a visit and to receive your Enrolment Pack. Enrolment documentation can also be downloaded from the school website. If you know anyone considering sending their child to St Francis Xavier School, please pass this information on to them. **Contact details:** Phone: 232 8927; Email: office@sfxtawa.school.nz; Website: www.sfxtawa.school.nz

## ST PIUS X SCHOOL, Titahi Bay

### Wanting more information about St Pius X School?



- \* Pick up a copy of our latest newsletters in the foyer of St Pius X Church
- \* Like and follow our Facebook page
- \* Log in to our website—www.saintpius.school.nz
- \* Call the school office on 04-2367006 or email: office@saintpius.school.nz



### HOLY HOUR

You are invited to a Holy Hour on *Tuesday 23 August at the Connolly Hall Chapel, Guildford Tce, beginning at 7.30pm* to pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Included in the hour will be prayers, praise and worship, scripture reading and silence and conclude with Benediction. All are welcome.



### CATHOLIC FOUNDATION - SCHOLARSHIPS

The Catholic Foundation Scholarships for students entering their first year of tertiary education opened on 1 August. The application and criteria are available on their website: [www.catholicfoundation.org.nz](http://www.catholicfoundation.org.nz)



### FAITHS IN TUNE

Listen and enjoy the contributions of eight different faith groups singing their sacred music. 15 mins per faith. *Saturday, 3 September, 2-5pm at St Andrews Church, 30 The Terrace, Wellington.* This free event is held in partnership with members and friends of the Wellington Interfaith Council. Snacks and conversation at conclusion of function.



**COME AND SEE - Vocations Morning**  
*Saturday, 10 September 9-11am at St Teresa's Church, Karori*  
Has anyone ever said that you would make a good priest?  
Have you thought about the idea, but tried to put it out of your mind?  
Do you think you might have a vocation?  
COME AND SEE is an opportunity to meet other like-minded young men, talk with priests and seminarians, and ask questions about the vocation to the priesthood. Join us for 9am Mass followed by breakfast and a time of fellowship and discussion. For catering purposes, please let us know you're coming. Contact [l.hensel@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:l.hensel@wn.catholic.org.nz) or text 021 164 5800. Visit: [www.wellingtonpriest.org](http://www.wellingtonpriest.org)



### SEASON OF CREATION

The Season of Creation is a Christian event that wishes to celebrate, pray for and encourage the faithful to do all in their power to uphold all that the Lord asks of us in being custodians of our world.

We will celebrate this event online on *11 September at 7pm* by answering the call to reach out to as many people as possible with this urgent message. This is the link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84773680947> Alternatively, you can use the ID 84773680947. For more info, contact Ian on 022 544 3872



### NZ CATHOLIC (Issue 14-27 August)

Now for sale in church foyers again. **Price: \$4** (unchanged for eight years). Some headlines for this issue: End of life process slanted to euthanasia. Fr Adam Kirkeby ordained in Hamilton. The deep sadness of our teens. Taupo hosts Divine Renovation Open House.