

Anniversaries in March

Christine Wypych (Chrissy)
Sybil McCloskey, Peter Barrett
Doreen de Stackpoole
Kathleen Kilkolly Margaret Hallagan
Thomas Lyons, Thomas Bird (Noel)
Rosalie Beachen, Joseph Carpenter

Mass Times

Sunday Masses

St Patrick'sSaturday (vigil)5.30pm
St Joseph's.....9.30am

Weekday Masses

Monday.....St Patrick's...9.00am
Thursday.....St Patrick's...9.00am
Friday.....St Joseph's...9.15am
Saturday.....St Joseph's...9.00am

Palm Sunday: The Passion of the Lord
• The Procession into Church with Palms and singing 'Hosanna' marks the beginning of Holy Week. Palms were symbolic of victory. Hosanna comes from the Hebrew word 'Save us now'. Riding on a donkey was the animal of choice in ancient times for Kings-to-be, portraying peace (rather than a horse used for battle). Placing cloaks on the road in front of the donkey was the ancient equivalent of the modern 'red carpet' treatment for special dignitaries. The scene is set. We are welcoming the Messiah – the 'Christ' – The anointed One. Can you identify with the symbols of today: the Palms, the Hosanna Cry, the throwing of your cloak? When have you been part of an ecstatic crowd of welcome and jubilation? How did you feel during, and after the event?

Celebration of the first Catholic Church in Central Hawkes Bay – 150 years

Where - St Patrick's Waipawa

Friday 23 April, Saturday 24 April 2021.

Itinerary

Friday 5:30 – 7:30pm: Waipawa town Hall. - Mix n mingle

Book launch: History of the church; families, anecdotal comments

Saturday: morning tea @ 10am, cemetery walk

Mass at St Patricks 4.30pm. celebrated by Cardinal John Dew.

Dinner 7.30pm. at Waipawa town hall.

Registration costs for all events: costs/ choice

Friday pm \$20.00

Saturday Dinner \$40.00

Book \$35.00

Total per person \$95.00

Needed—volunteers are needed for this event. Please contact Jo or Sue for details.

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28 March, 2021

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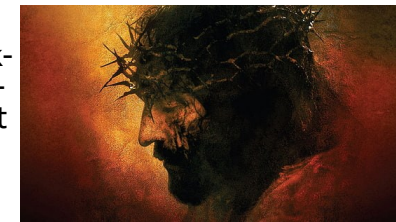
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Palm Sunday

Looking on from a distance

There is great hostility in the story we have just heard, all of it directed against Jesus. There is the hostility of the chief priests, of the Roman soldiers, of those who passed by and jeered as he hung from the cross. Alongside the hostility of those who rejected Jesus, there is the failure of those who had been closest to him. His disciples all deserted him and fled; Judas betrayed him and Peter denied him publicly. Yet, there were a few people who responded to Jesus in that dark hour faithfully and nobly. There was the anonymous woman who in an extravagant gesture of love and respect anointed the head of Jesus. Then there was the Roman centurion, who looked on as Jesus died and exclaimed, 'this man was son of God'. Joseph of Arimathea took the bold step of going to Pilate to ensure Jesus had a dignified burial. The women disciples who looked on from a distance noted where Jesus was buried and went away to prepare spices to anoint his body at the earliest opportunity. All of these people men and women saw Jesus with eyes of faith and love. The story we have just heard invites us to identify with those who saw Jesus with the eyes of faith and love, who recognized the light of God in the darkness of Jesus' passion and death. When we look upon the passion and death of Jesus with such eyes, we see a divine love that is stronger than sin, a divine light that shines in all our darkneses, a divine power that brings new life out of all our deaths, a divine poverty that enriches us at the deepest level of our being. We have heard the story of Jesus' last journey told in the space of ten minutes. This Holy Week, the church invites us to travel that journey at a much slower pace, day by day as it were. We are invited to enter into that journey with the eyes of the anointing woman, the centurion, Joseph of Arimathea and the group of faithful women. We look beneath the surface of what is happening, we listen deeply to all that is taking place, so as to recognize the good Shepherd who laid down his life for us all, so that we might have life and have it to the full.

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Easter Mass Times

Holy Thursday....7pm @ St Joseph's

Good Friday.....3pm @ St Joseph's

Easter Vigil.....7.00pm @ St Patrick's

Easter Sunday.....9.30am @ St Joseph's



St John's College

Last Sunday Saint John's College and Sacred Heart College came together to celebrate mass at 5:00 pm with the St May's Taradale community. Mass was well attended and our young people were fully involved with the various ministries during our celebration. Thank-you to Father Barry, Victoria, Faaki and the St Mary's community for providing pizza for everyone after mass. This week Jonathan Foster spoke at assembly and shared his testimony with the school which was very powerful. He then met with the Pasifika students to share morning tea. Winter sports registrations are under way as summer sport comes to an end. Please keep our young people in your prayers as we come to the end of Lent and look forward to celebrating Easter. Enrolments are now open for Year 8 students for 2021. Please phone the office to make an enrolment interview. We are holding our Prospectus Evening on Thursday 13th May at 7pm. We welcome families with Year 8 boys to come along and learn about St. John's College.

Pro-Life Facts

The Abortion Legislation Act 2020 has erased any recognition of the right that an unborn child has to life. To sign a petition to repeal the Abortion Legislation Act 2020, please visit <https://www.voiceforlife.org.nz/> petition For more information on pro-life issues, visit www.voiceforlife.org.nz.

Wanted—Fr Paul would like to have a photocopy of any past parishioners service sheets for an upcoming display in the church foyer.

Registrations for the **Passionist Youth Retreat** to be held at Camp Rangī Woods, Manawatu from Monday 19th - Thursday 22nd July 2021 and Young Adults Retreat to be

Flowers Wanted

If there are any parishioners with the following in their garden willing to donate for the purpose of the Jubilee, at the end of April, please contact Anne Preston 8566861. Silver dollar gum, Baby blue gum, Yellow or red Leucadendron's, succulents – large varieties Yellow flowers or yellow foliage.

held at the Magnificat, Wairarapa from Friday 9th July - Sunday 11th July 2021 are now open!!! The retreats will be facilitated by: Penelope Van Der Lee (Youth) with the help of the team. Paul Traynor (Young Adults) Penelope has been involved with the NZ Passionist youth retreat team for many years now, and has prepared and delivered sessions for school retreats in Auckland while being employed with Logos the Marist Youth Development Organisation. Her style is Passionist i.e. meeting young people where they are at and encouraging them while offering tools for life. Paul Traynor was a Passionist for 21 years and of those a priest for 13 years. He was involved in parish missions and youth retreats and Passionist Family Groups. After he left the Passionists he continued to be involved with family groups. His work carried into working with Young people at risk, alcohol and other drug management and advocacy. Then into teaching where he was also a lay chaplain/counsellor. He has qualifications in theology, philosophy, counselling and education. Registrations are online, visit: www.passionistretreats.co.nz A \$20 deposit is required at time of registration.

Good Friday "Holy Places" special collection.

Please keep this collection in mind again this year especially as Christians in the Holy Land are struggling to "stay afloat" following a collapse in pilgrimages caused by the coronavirus pandemic. The collection is traditionally split, with 65% going to the Franciscan custody of the Holy Land, which has maintained the Holy Places of Christianity in the region for more than 800 years. The remaining 35% is given to the Congregation for the Eastern Churches to support seminarians and priests, as well as educational and cultural activities. Many thanks for you anticipated generosity again this year.

Easter Sunday special collection. - This collection is a "thank you" for our priests. The collection is used by the Clergy Trust Fund to support the priests in the various costs pertaining to their ministries and personal lives. The Clergy Trust Fund endeavours to respond to every aspect of our priests' wellbeing. The priests have always expressed their gratitude for the people's financial support and care that they receive. Many thanks for your anticipated generosity again this year.

A NEW WAY FORWARD God has been with his people throughout history, united to us in love. We remind ourselves of God's constant presence each time we read the scripture, pray, or participate in the sacraments. Even in the most difficult times, we can be confident that God is with us, calling us toward him. God's love for us drives us to action; he knows the obstacles we face, and his love for us is so great that he faces them with us and helps us overcome them. He will never abandon us on our way. While God is with us on the journey, he is also waiting for us at our destination. This is the power of his grace: it meets us where we are and draws us closer to God with every step

Hospitality

We are bringing back our monthly cuppa after Mass at St Joseph's which will be held in our foyer. We require people just to help with the serving and setting up. If you would like to be on a roster please let me know and which month would work for you. If we get enough people it will only be once a year. Our first one will be after Easter. Look forward to hearing from you.

we take. All we have to do is choose to be present with God, choose to accept his grace and continue on the paths toward him. The path to God and with God is always there, but sometimes it's unclear to us and often it's not an easy road. We can trust that God will provide the grace we need to continue seeking a new way forward. **FAITH IN ACTION** • Write a letter of gratitude to someone whose love and compassion has made a lasting difference in your life. Come up with three small things that you can do for others to pay it forward. • Reflect on a major change that has happened in your life during the past year. In prayer, invite God to be with you and guide you on your journey. • Choose an item from the "Legacy" column of the Lent Action Plan, developed for schools and found at the back of this booklet, to do together with your family or Lent reflection group. Check in with each other throughout the week to share your progress.

E te Atua o te aroha. God of love, we see that now is te wā – the time – to answer your call. You know our paths and the obstacles we face; you know our hearts and you invite us to entrust them to you.

Give us the grace to follow a new way forward, to be transformed and to transform our world, to help bring your kingdom into being on earth as it is in heaven.

