

Anniversaries May

Hannah Moran, Terry Coyle, Deidre Wedd, Denis Farrell

Fr Robert Francis Ryan, George Kura, Imelda Ewen

John (Merv) Maggin, Kathleen Butler,

Kathrin De Fresne, Patrick David Mullens, Marie Chote, Petrus Pepping (Pe)

An Invitation to Pray for our Parish

On the first Friday of each month, there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St Joseph's Church from 10am to 3pm. The intentions are for all the needs of our Holy Trinity Parish family. You are invited to come along during this time and to pray for one hour before the most Blessed Sacrament.

Pro-Life— In 1973, the US Supreme Court decreed in Roe v Wade that the Court was sovereign over the individual States. Today, the Justices of the Supreme Court are addressing whether Roe v Wade was a mistake in denying the States their Constitutional right to decide on the matter of regulating abortion. For more pro-life information, visit voiceforlife.org.nz

Ministers of the Liturgy

We are needing some volunteers to take up the role of Ministers of the Liturgy. As we face the time of having less priests available to celebrate Mass we would love to have a team of Liturgists who could deliver a Liturgy. Full training will be given. Please speak to Fr Paul or any member of the Parish Leadership Team for further information.

May is the month of Mary. Why not plant a Mary's Garden this month, as a sign of devotion and to create a place of beauty and reflection? Whether we give it a whole acre of space, a single lushly planted pot on a balcony, we can pray in our Mary's garden with our children and for our needs as parents, for times when we struggle with our own infertility, or to pray for others who long to have children of their own. May Mary, our mother, make us all fruitful bearers of Christ and heirs of heaven! Early Christian missionaries, in recognition of God's glory revealed in nature, charmingly named many flowers to relate to Mary, Jesus, other saints and holy

Mass Times

Tuesday	St Joseph's @ 9am
Thursday	St Patricks @ 9am
Saturday	St Joseph's @ 9am
Saturday	St Patricks @ 5.30pm (Vigil)
Sunday	St Joseph's @ 9.30am

Masks are required for Mass – thank you for thinking of others

Leadership Team Members

Fr Paul, Hamish Kynoch, Graeme Black, Kevin Symonds, Randel and Paula Tinsley, Jo McGowen, Pam and Rob Reid, Betty Brown and secretary – Donna Te Amo



The latest issue in your church Sunday May 22

places. For example, the medieval names for 'Baby's Breath' was 'Lady's Veil' and 'Jonquil' was 'St Joseph's Staff'. During the Protestant revolution, many of these flowers were given the more secular names we know today.



Fr Paul Kerridge (Parish Priest)

22nd May, 2022

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Rātini Kupu

22nd Haratua, 2022 6th Sunday of Easter

On January 25, 1959, in the Basilica of St Paul Outside the Walls, Pope John XXIII announced his intention to convoke an ecumenical council. It was at the closing ceremony for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has been a formal cooperative work involving the Holy See and the World Council of Churches since 1958. Times of prayer for Christian Unity date back to the 1700s. The Week of Prayer takes place in Aotearoa New Zealand between Ascension Sunday and Pentecost Sunday (29 May-5 June). The theme this year is "We saw his star in the east, and we came to worship him", from Matthew's account of the Magi visiting the infant Jesus. The star of Bethlehem has meaning beyond Christmas. It is a sign that God calls his people to unity, walks with them, feels their pain, hears their cries, and shows them compassion. It reassures us that though circumstances change and terrible disasters may happen, God's faithfulness is unending. I ask you to pray this week for Christian unity, even for just a few minutes, so that the witness of all those who follow Christ may be a star, a light for the world. You will find resources to help your prayer on your diocesan website and on <https://catholic.org.nz/>. Cardinal John A Dew, President, New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference

"We saw his star in the east,
and we came to worship him."
Mt 2:2

Week of Prayer
for Christian Unity
29 May-5 June 2022



St John's College

The big news for the SJC community is that the Board have appointed a new principal. His name is George Rodgers, and he is currently Assistant Rector at Lindisfarne College. We look forward to welcoming George to our College at the start of Term 3. On Thursday evening we held our prospectus evening for parents and students interested in joining our St John's College community in 2023. We would like to thank our students and teachers who volunteered their time to show case our school. We would also like to thank our community for their support. ENROLMENTS ARE OPEN – Please phone the office to make an Enrolment interview with the Principal – 878 6853

FREE Fitness Saturday 7am – 8.30am St Johns College school grounds, like and follow <https://www.facebook.com/SJCPasifika> for updates

Save the Date—June 29th is the Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul. It is also the 60th anniversary of the ordination of our Father Paul. We look forward to joining with Father Paul on Sunday 3rd July to celebrate this joyful occasion. Keep this day free. Details will be forthcoming.

A goodbye

French vocabulary is sometimes more precise than English.

"Goodbye" is a case in point. The French use Au revoir for those everyday temporary separations, while Adieu is reserved strictly for final departures; it means roughly "until we meet in heaven." Life is a succession of Au revairs and Adieus. The number of the latter grows with the passing years. Our hearts and memories are peopled with faces that once were dear to us. Some, like our

parents, died. Others moved away out of our lives never to reappear again. If their names crop up in conversation we say, "I wonder what became of so-and-so." They may say the same about us too. Life is a series of little deaths until our own death which for us will be the last great Adieu. We are, as never before, a pilgrim people, on the move. We need faithful friends who travel with us. In today's gospel, Jesus alerts his disciples to his imminent departure, his ascension into heaven. He doesn't say Adieu but Au revoir. "I am going away, but I shall return." We never really say goodbye to God, for God always goes with us. Notice how immigrants who leave their families, friends, language and cultures and settle, often penniless and in a hostile environment, on the other side of the globe, begin by building houses of worship. Such was the case with the Irish in America or Australia. Such is the case today with immigrant Muslims building mosques all over Europe. God is what they cling on to. God keeps his promise to be with us always. He will always keep his side of the bargain. It is up to us to keep ours. And when we come to the end of our pilgrimage here and have to make our last goodbye, it will be literally Adieu, "going to God." *association-ofcatholicpriests.ie*



Sharing Table— every Sunday there will be a sharing table for people to donate food and for others to use. In this world of waste and food insecurity we thought it would be a great time to share what excess we have with our community. Excess will be taken to the Foodbank.

Sacramental Programme

- Term 2—Baptism
- Term 3 Reconciliation
- Term 4—Holy Communion. If you are interested in your child preparing for any of these Sacraments please contact Fr Paul or the parish office. We will be working with our parish school also.

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy—Online Sessions (Evening):

- St Paul – The first Missionary with Kieran Fenn fms.
- Mondays, 13 -27 June, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.
- All sessions are connected but also stand alone.
- \$25/session or \$50/series.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/st-paul-meet-the-first-missionary-7/>

Muffin Talk Radio Programme recordings and video clips on religion, interfaith and community available at <https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/>

The power of relationship

John's Gospel has a higher theology than the three synoptic gospels. But the remarkable fact is not its strong theological slant but how early in the Church's history such a Trinitarian perspective emerged. By the time of St. John the idea of God linked the Father, Jesus and the Paraclete, the guarantor of the peace that Jesus has given. Already we have hints that God is a community of relationships, that there is so much knowledge and love in God that the knowledge and love transform into distinct personages. This truth is revealed to enlighten our minds, not to provide theologians with raw material for speculations (nothing wrong with that), to dazzle us with the brightness of God's glory, the

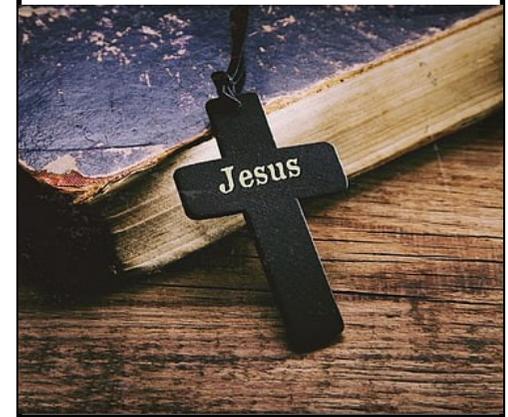
Project Innocence Prayer

Dear Lord Jesus, we pray that a movement be raised up in this county, that will turn the tide of violence and abuse of children in Aotearoa.

Your hear burns for love for the little children, especially those most vulnerable.

We pray that this movement will bring healing and forgiveness to many.

We ask this prayer through the intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and our Patron, Venerable Meri Hohepa Suzanne Aubert. Amen



power of God's knowledge and the passion of God's love. The use of the word "spirit," a translation of the Hebrew Shekinah hints at a maternal aspect in God as the word is feminine and was used in Hebrew folk religion as the name of Yahweh's consort. St. John hardly thought of this, yet the gender of the noun might well be part of the meaning. *Associationofcatholicpriests.ie*