

## WEEKDAY MASSES & HOLY HOUR

Tuesdays  
Wednesdays  
Last Friday of the Month  
First FRIDAY of the Month

Kaikohe 6:30 PM  
Rawene 9:00 AM  
Moerewa 6:30 PM  
Holy Hour 6:30 PM @ St Patrick, Okaihau  
Mass & Anointing at Kaikohe Care Centre & Hospital, 9:30AM



## HOLY WEEK & EASTER SUNDAY'S SCHEDULES

Church	1 April Holy Thursday	2 April Holy Friday	3 April Holy Saturday	4 April Easter Sunday
St Anthony, Kaikohe	Mass & Washing of the feet 7:30PM	11:00 AM - Station of the Cross 3:00 PM - Veneration of the Cross	Vigil Mass & Blessing of new fire 7:30PM	Easter Mass 9:00AM
St Therese, Moerewa	Mass & Washing of the feet 5:00PM	Station of the Cross & Veneration 5:00PM	Vigil Mass & Blessing of new fire 8:00PM	
St. Paul, Paihia			Vigil Mass & Blessing of new fire 5:30PM	
St Peter Chanel, Russel		Station of the Cross & Veneration 3:00PM		Easter Mass 11:30AM
St. Patrick, Okaihau		Station of the Cross & Veneration 5:00PM	Vigil Mass & Blessing of new fire 5:30PM	
South Hokianga: St Charles Borromeo, Rawene	Mass & Washing of the feet 7:00PM			Easter Mass 11:00AM
South Hokianga: St Nicholas, Whirinaki		Station of the Cross & Veneration 3:00PM	Vigil (Evening of Saturday) & Mass (Sunday, 5:00AM)	
South Hokianga: St Paul, Waiwhatawhata				

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## MID-NORTH PASTORAL AREA NEWSLETTER APRIL 2021

### Parishes of Kaikohe & Okaihau South Hokianga Parish Communities Bay of Islands Parish Communities

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### The Paschal Mystery: The wonder of our beings



“So Jesus said (to them), “When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will realize that I AM...” ( Jn 8:28 NAB). Accordingly, the utterance of Jesus “I AM” is an expression that late Jewish tradition understood as Yahweh’s own self-designation (Is 43:10). And by saying “I AM” Jesus placed Himself “on a par with Yahweh” (NAB comment on the verse). It means that Jesus is God.

In the coming days, we are going to meditate on the passion, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus. In our meditation, it is spiritually beneficial if we meditate on the grandeur of God’s love for you and me. Hoping that this meditation leads us to ask ourselves – who am I that the Creator of the entire universe has to come down, empty Himself, live like us, and offer His life on the cross for you and me? I suggest that the focus of our reflection is on how wonderful we are in relation to who we are to our Creator.

In the face of the wonder of our beings and the inscrutable love of God, let us be united with the Psalmist who praises and says with amazement, “O LORD, our Lord, how awesome is your name through all the earth! When I see your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and stars that you set in place— What is man that you are mindful of him, and a son of man that you care for him? Yet you have made him little less than a god, crowned him with glory and honor” (Ps 8:2, 4-6 NAB).

*Have a Blessed Easter!*

-Fr Ramil Hamil, MSP  
-Fr Richard Cortes, MSP

## PRAYER FOR PARISHIONERS

- ◆ Please pray for the healing and fast recovery of all the sick especially **Mary Hape and Jack Magullian**
- ◆ Let us also include in our prayers the souls of our brothers and sisters who have gone to our Creator before us. **MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**

## SUNDAY READINGS & MASS SCHEDULES

Date	First Reading	Second Reading	Gospel
4 APRIL	Acts 10: 34:37-43	Colossians 3: 1-4 or 1Corinthians 5:6-8	John 20: 1-9
11 APRIL	Acts 4: 32-35	1 John 5: 1-6	John 20: 19-31
18 APRIL	Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19	1 John 2:1-5	Luke 24: 35-48
25 APRIL	Acts 4: 8-12	1 John 3: 1-2	John 13: 16-20

SUNDAY	April 4th	April 11th		April 18th	April 25th
YR B Cycle 2021	Easter Sunday	2nd Sun of Easter		3rd Sun of Easter	4th Sun of Easter
<b>PAIHIA</b>	Easter Vigil MASS SATURDAY  5:30 PM	MASS SATURDAY  5:30 PM		MASS SATURDAY  5:30 PM	MASS SATURDAY  5:30 PM
<b>MOEREWAA</b>	Easter Vigil MASS SATURDAY  8:00 PM	Liturgy  9:00 AM		MASS  9:00 AM	Liturgy  9:00 AM
<b>RUSSELL</b>	MASS  11: 30 AM	Liturgy  11: 30 AM		MASS  11: 30 AM	Liturgy  11: 30 AM
<b>KAIKOHE</b>	MASS  9: 00 AM	MASS  9: 00 AM		Liturgy  9: 00 AM	MASS  9: 00 AM
<b>OKAIHAU</b>	Easter Vigil MASS SATURDAY  5:30 PM	MASS SUNDAY  5:30 PM		MASS SUNDAY  5:30 PM	MASS SUNDAY  5:30 PM
<b>SOUTH HOKIANGA</b>	Vigil Mass Sunday 5AM Whirinaki Easter Mass 11AM Rawene	MASS  Whirinaki  11: 00 AM		Liturgy  Rawene Hospi- tal 10:45AM	MASS  Rawene  11: 00 AM



## Pope Francis proclaims "Year of St Joseph"

With the Apostolic Letter "Patris corde" ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of Saint Joseph" from 8 December 2020, to 8 December 2021.

- Vatican News

## QUO VADIS (WHERE ARE YOU GOING?)

- ◇ Chrism Mass will be on 30 March, 12 PM at St Francis Xavier Parish Whangarei.
- ◇ Feast Day of St Peter Chanel, Russell, 28 April 2021.
- ◇ Bishop Forum will be on 08 May 2021, 11:00 AM at St Therese of the Child Jesus Parish, Moerewa.

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