

WEEKDAY MASSES & HOLY HOUR

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

2nd 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 Hour 6:30 PM @ Moerewa
Mass & Anointing at Rawene Hospital, 10:30AM



SUNDAY MASS & LITURGY SCHEDULES

SUNDAY YR C Cycle 2022	3rd April 5th Sunday of Lent	10th April Palm Sunday	17th April Easter Sunday	24th April 2nd Sunday of Easter
PAIHIA	Vigil MASS SATURDAY 5:30 PM	Vigil MASS SATURDAY 5:30 PM	Easter Vigil MASS SATURDAY 5:00 PM	LITURGY SATURDAY 5:30 PM
MOEREWAA	MASS 9:00 AM	LITURGY 9:00 AM		LITURGY 9:00 AM
RUSSELL	MASS 11:30 AM	LITURGY 11:30 AM	EASTER MASS 11:30 AM	LITURGY 11:30 AM
KAIKOHE	LITURGY 9:00 AM	MASS 9:00 AM	EASTER MASS 9:00 AM	MASS 9:00 AM
OKAIHAU	MASS SUNDAY 5:30 PM	MASS SUNDAY 5:30 PM	EASTER MASS 5:30 PM	LITURGY 5:30 PM
SOUTH HOKIANGA	LITURGY Whirinaki 11:00 AM	MASS Whirinaki 11:00 AM	EASTER MASS Whirinaki 05:00 AM	MASS Whirinaki 11:00 AM

Holy Week and Easter Services



Come Worship With Us!

CHURCHES	14th April HOLY THURSDAY	15th April HOLY FRIDAY	16th April HOLY SATURDAY
PAIHIA			Easter Vigil Mass 5:00 PM
KAIKOHE	Mass & Washing of the feet (7:30 PM)	Adoration of the Cross & Confession (3:00 PM)	Easter Vigil Mass 7:00 PM
RUSSELL		Station of the Cross (3:00 PM)	
MOEREWAA	Mass & Washing of the Feet (6:00 PM)	Station (5:00 PM) Confession (6:00 PM)	Easter Vigil Mass 9:00 PM
OKAIHAU		Station of the Cross (3:00 PM)	
SOUTH HOKIANGA	Liturgy & Washing of the feet (5:00 PM)	Station & Reading of Passion (3:00 PM)	

MID-NORTH PASTORAL AREA NEWSLETTER APRIL 2022

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Easter

Happy Easter

The Evening Mass of the Lord's supper on Holy Thursday ushers in the Easter Triduum of Christ's passion and death (Good Friday), burial, and resurrection. The Easter Triduum is the most solemn celebration in the liturgical year when we commemorate the paschal mystery of Christ in which we participate through baptism and Holy Eucharist. The renewal of baptismal promises on Easter Vigil and in all Masses on Easter Sunday culminates our Lenten observance. The sprinkling with holy water and the lighted candles in our hands evoke the most significant moment in our lives: our baptism when God claimed us as his sons and daughters.

The joy of the resurrection of Our Lord flows over to the next fifty days of the Easter Season until Pentecost Sunday. The chanting of alleluia and lighted paschal candles keep alive the solemn and memorable celebration of the Easter Vigil. The biblical readings and prefaces remind us that the risen Christ is always present among us and that we can recognize him in the proclaimed word and in the breaking of the bread that is the Eucharist.

Two important feasts unfold the other aspects of Christ's resurrection: Ascension and Pentecost. After forty days Christ ascended into heaven bringing up with him the redeemed human race. In a world oppressed by misery the Ascension enlivens our hope that heaven is our final home.

Seated at the right hand of the Father, Jesus Christ sent down the Holy Spirit upon the Church on the day of Pentecost. On this day the Holy Spirit sent forth the Apostles in the whole world to preach the gospel and to baptize. Pentecost is the culmination of Christ death and resurrection. He ascended into heaven in order to send the Holy Spirit that would continue among us the work of salvation that he had begun. We exist in the era of the Holy Spirit. In some way the sacrament of confirmation is like our own Pentecost; for it is through this sacrament that the Holy Spirit anoints us to go forth and proclaim around us in word and good example the gospel of Christ.

-Bible Diary 2020



PRAYER FOR PARISHIONERS

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

Resources in times of COVID-19 Protection Framework (traffic lights) The diocese has a page dedicated to the key information for places of worship at this time <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/covid-protection-framework/>. A reminder that the diocese continues to provide broadcast **Sunday Mass**. It is uploaded at 5.30pm Saturday night (as per a Vigil Mass time) to the Youtube channel Auckland Catholic <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCb7o1XYfQet-mOW1mJSzfoW>. It is also broadcast on Shine TV Sundays at 2.00pm Free-to-air TV Channel 25, Sky TV Channel 201.

POPE FRANCIS CONSECRATES RUSSIA AND UKRAINE TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Today, march 25, 2022, Pope Francis said:

"Mother of God and our Mother, to your Immaculate Heart we solemnly entrust and consecrate ourselves, the Church and all humanity, especially Russia and Ukraine."

Pope Francis performed the Fatima-ic consecration at the end of the Vatican's annual Lenten penance service in St. Peter's Basilica, this year on the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord.

"The people of Ukraine and Russia, who venerate you with great love, now turn to you, even as your heart beats with compassion for them and for all those peoples decimated by war, hunger, injustice, and poverty. Through your intercession, may God's mercy be poured out on the earth and the gentle rhythm of peace return to mark our days. Accept this act that we carry out with confidence and love. Grant that war may end and peace spread throughout the world."

In his homily, Pope Francis said consecration is not a "magic formula" but instead a "spiritual act."

"It is an act of complete trust on the part of children who, amid the tribulation of this cruel and senseless war that threatens our world, turn to their Mother, reposing all their fears and pain in her heart and abandoning themselves to her. It means placing in that pure and undefiled heart, where God is mirrored, the inestimable goods of fraternity and peace, all that we have and are, so that she, the Mother whom the Lord has given us, may protect us and watch over us."

-UCatholic 25 March 2022



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QUO VADIS (WHERE ARE YOU GOING?)

Holy Week 2022



03 APRIL
PASSION SUNDAY
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



10 APRIL
PALM SUNDAY



14 APRIL
HOLY THURSDAY



15 APRIL
FRIDAY OF THE PASSION
OF THE LORD



16 APRIL
HOLY SATURDAY



17 APRIL
EASTER SUNDAY

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08 April 5: 00 PM— Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Nicholas Church, Whirinaki

12 April 12:00 NN— Charism Mass at St Francis Xavier Parish, Whangarei

Open Synod Session Come have your say. The Church really wants to hear your voice. Join a Synod listening group (online). Tuesday 05 April 10.00am Thursday 07 April 7.00pm Register here: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/open-synod-sessions/>

19-25 April— New Assumption of Mary Artwork Hikoi (Mid-North)

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