

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



MID-NORTH PASTORAL AREA NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2023

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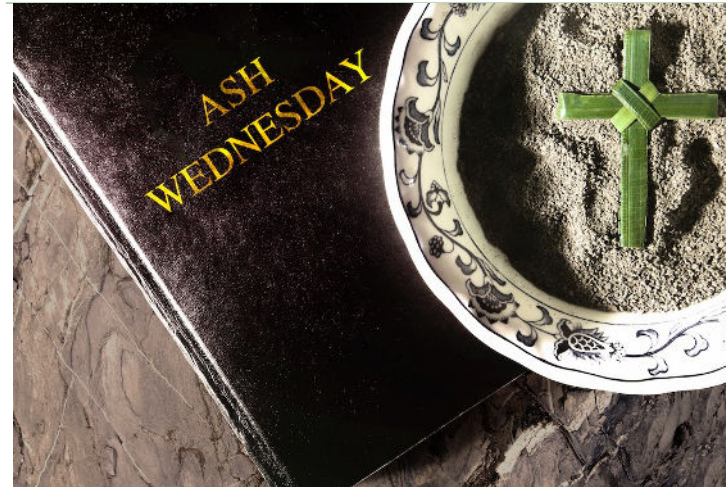


SUNDAY MASS & LITURGY SCHEDULES

SUNDAY YR A Cycle 2022	5th February 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	12th February 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	19th February 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time	26th February 1st Sunday of Lent	
PAIHIA	Vigil MASS SATURDAY 5:30 PM	Vigil MASS SATURDAY 5:30 PM	Vigil MASS SATURDAY 5:30 PM	Vigil MASS SATURDAY 5:30 PM	
MOEREWA	MASS 9:00 AM	LITURGY 9:00 AM	MASS 9:00 AM	LITURGY 9:00 AM	
RUSSELL	MASS 11:30 AM	LITURGY 11:30 AM	MASS 11:30 AM	LITURGY 11:30 AM	
KAIKOHE	LITURGY 9:00 AM	MASS 9:00 AM	LITURGY 9:00 AM	MASS 9:00 AM	
OKAIHAU	MASS 5:30 PM	MASS 5:30 PM	MASS 5:30 PM	LITURGY 5:30 PM	
SOUTH HOKIANGA	LITURGY Whirinaki 11:00 AM	MASS Whirinaki 11:00 AM	LITURGY Whirinaki 11:00 AM	MASS 11:00 AM Rawene	



DATE	FIRST READING	SECOND READING	GOSPEL
05 February	Isaiah 58:7-10	1 Corinthians 2:1-5	Matthew 5:13-16
12 February	Ecclesiasticus 15:16-21	1 Corinthians 2:6-10	Matthew 5:17-37
19 February	Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18	1 Corinthians 3:16-23	Matthew 5:38-48
26 February	Genesis 2:7-9,3:1-7	Romans 5:12-19	Matthew 4:1-11



The Season of LENT starts on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday before the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper. From then on until Easter Sunday the Church celebrates the Easter Triduum of Christ's passion and death, burial, and resurrection.

Lent is characterized by penance for our past sins, works of mercy especially toward the poor, and personal preparation for the renewal of

our baptismal promises on Easter Vigil. Thus Lent has two features: penitential and baptismal. Our tears of penance renew in our hearts and souls the water of baptism.

The ashes imposed on us on Ash Wednesday remind us that we are dust and to dust we shall return and that therefore the entire life of a Christian should be marked by works of self-denial and generosity. The traditional discipline of Lent consists of constant prayer and reading of God's word, fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, abstinence from meat on Fridays, and works of mercy especially to those who have less in life. What is important is that through prayer and good works we allow God's grace to bring about our interior conversion. The sacrament of penance should accompany our Lenten observance.

Holy Week is the high point of the Lenten season. It opens with the procession with blessed palms and the gospel reading of the passion and death of Our Savior. The triumphal entry into Jerusalem ended on Calvary, but we know that Good Friday led to Easter Sunday.

The biblical readings and prefaces extol the virtue of conversion of life, the need to fulfill our baptismal promises, joyful acceptance of daily trials for the love of God, and unselfish service to all who need our assistance.

-Bible Diary 2023



NO PRAYER IS TOO SMALL FOR THE LORD

PRAYER FOR PARISHIONERS

- ◆ Please pray for the healing and fast recovery of all the sick especially 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.



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I hope you and your loved ones are safe after the devastating floods that have affected so many. Like you, I was shocked to see the destruction the floods brought in such a short time. Like you, I want to help those whose lives have been thrown into disarray. Please join me in providing support to those in need. My Caring Foundation is accepting donations to help our partner agencies deliver vital help to so many. You can make an **online donation** today so that assistance can get to families quickly.

<https://caringfoundation.org.nz/donate-3/>
 Your donation will be used for food, shelter, clothes and other essential supplies and support services. Already, many of the Foundation's partner agencies are working around the clock to ensure that people are safe and able to get the help that they need quickly. If you or your loved ones are in need, please get more details on the Auckland Emergency Management website <https://www.aucklandemergencymanagement.org.nz/major-incident/flooding-2023> For those who have already donated to the Flooding Relief Appeal, my heart-felt thanks to you. It is humbling to have you on this journey with us. Please join with me in keeping those in need in our prayers as they start the process of rebuilding their shattered lives.

Yours sincerely in Christ the Good Shepherd

+ Steve Lowe

✠ Steve Lowe
 Bishop of Auckland



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Pope Benedict XVI once said, "If we allow the love of Christ to change our heart, then we can change the world. This is the secret of authentic happiness."

— Guanajuato, Mexico, Mach 24, 2012

QUO VADIS (WHERE ARE YOU GOING?)



The Mid-North Parishes honor's the two Marist Sisters, Sr. Catherine Lawson and Sr. Kathleen Bright. The two Marist Sisters have been in the Mid-North for many years. They've been touching many lives through their humble ministries. Now they're leaving, we pray and wish them well. Thank you, Sisters Catherine and Kathleen. Keep us all in your prayers as we keep both of you in ours.

St Anthony Parish, Kaikohe in need of the following volunteers:

- ◆ Altar servers, Liturgy Presider, Eucharistic Minister, Music, Readers, Church cleaners and Morning tea in charge. Training and support will be given. Please talk to your priest or PPC.

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