

Tuesdays Wednesdays Last Friday of the Month First Friday of the Month Kaikohe 6:30 PM Rawene 9:00 AM Holy Hour 6:00 PM @ St Patrick, Okaihau Mass & Anointing at Kaikohe Care Centre & Hospital, 9:30AM Holy Hour 6:30 PM @ Moerewa

### SUNDAY MASS & LITURGY SCHEDULES

SUNDAY YR A Cycle 2022	<u>2nd April</u> Palm Sunday	<u>9th April</u> Easter Sunday	<u>16th Sunday</u> 2nd Sunday of Easter	<u>23rd April</u> 3rd Sunday of Easter	30th April 4rth Sunday of Easter
PAIHIA	Vigil MASS	Vigil MASS	Vigil MASS	Vigil MASS	LITURGY
	SATURDAY	SATURDAY	SATURDAY	SATURDAY	SATURDAY
	5:30 PM	5:30 PM	5:30 PM	5:30 PM	5:00 PM
MOEREWA	MASS 9: 00 AM		MASS 9: 00 AM	LITURGY 9:00 AM	MASS 9: oo AM
RUSSELL	MASS	MASS	MASS	LITURGY	LITURGY
	11: 30 AM	11: 30 AM	11: 30 AM	11:30 AM	11:30 AM
KAIKOHE	MASS	MASS	LITURGY	MASS	LITURGY
	9: 00 AM	9: oo AM	9: 00 AM	9: oo AM	9: 00 AM
OKAIHAU	MASS	MASS	MASS	MASS	LITURGY
	5:30 PM	5:30 PM	5:30 PM	5:30 PM	5:30 PM
SOUTH HOKIANGA	MASS Whirinaki 11: 00 AM	MASS Whirinaki 5: oo AM	LITURGY Whirinaki 11:00 AM	MASS 11: 00 AM Rawene	LITURGY Whirinaki 11:00 AM



DATE	FIRST READING	SECOND READING	GOSPEL
02 April	Isaiah 50:4-7	Philippians 2:6-11	Matthew 26:14-27,66
09 April	Acts 10:34,37-43	1 Corinthians 5:6-8	John 20:1-9
16 April	Acts 2:42-47	1 Peter 1:3-9	John 20:19-31
23 April	Acts 2:14,22-28	1 Peter 1:17-21	Luke 24:13-35
30 April	Acts 2:14,36-41	1 Peter 2:20-25	John 10:1-10



MID-NORTH PASTORAL AREA NEWSLETTER April 2023

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# HOSANNA!

In the contemporary liturgical usage, the word *Hosanna* is a cry of praise to God. But according to Pope Benedict XVI, Hosanna is originally an urgent prayer for supplication which somehow mean, "Come to our aid." Accordingly, during the seventh day of the Jewish Feast of the Tabernacle, the priest would utter this word seven times around the altar of sacrifice as an urgent prayer for rain. However, the word Hosanna undergoes a gradual change of meaning from an urgent prayer of petition into one of



praise. Moreover, during the time of our Lord Jesus, the word Hosanna has also acquired Messianic overtones.

As we commemorate the triumphant entrance of our Lord Jesus into Jerusalem and sing "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest" (Mt 21:9). May this song be our sincere expression of thanksgiving, honor and praise to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. May it be also our heart's deepest cry for mercy and forgiveness as we strike our breast in sorrow and repentance for the sins we have accused ourselves.

In addition, as we follow our Lord Jesus from His Joyous entrance into Jerusalem, may we continue to follow Him on the day when He will give up Himself freely to suffering and death for our sake until the Day of His resurrection.

Finally, may our journey with our Lord Jesus this Holy Week would bring us grace to be able to die to ourselves so as to rise again with Him. Friends, have a blessed Holy Week and advance Happy Easter!

Fr Ramil Hamil, MSP





#### PRAYER FOR PARISHIONERS

- ♦ Please pray for the healing and fast recovery of all the sick especially Jack Magullian, Brenda Tweendale, Marie, Shaun, 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. Eternal peace grant unto them O Lord and let your perpetual light shines upon them. May they all rest in peace!

Last 17th March, we celebrated the Feast of St Patrick, the Patron Saint of Okaihau Church. Many came for the celebration and we've been so grateful to the parishioners especially to the Flood Family particularly to Paula for taking good care of the Church and for the new lovely wooden pews. After the 5:30pm Mass, sumptuous dinner was served at the priest presbytery.





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"The cosmic elements pass away; the word of Jesus is the true 'firmament' beneath which we can stand and remain."

Pope Benedict XVI. Jesus of Nazareth: Holy Week p51.

### **QUO VADIS (WHERE ARE YOU GOING?)**

MID-NORTH PARISHES PALM SUNDAY, HOLY WEEK & EASTER SUNDAY SCHEDULES 2023				HEISRISEN	
CHURCH	PALM SUNDAY 2 <sup>ND</sup> APRIL	HOLY THURSDAY <sup>6TH</sup> APRIL	HOLY FRIDAY 7 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL	HOLY SATURDAY 8 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL	EASTER SUNDAY 9 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL
ST ANTHONY, KAIKOHE	MASS 9:00 AM Fr Bernard	MASS & WASHING OF THE FEET 6:30 PM Fr Ramil	ADORATION OF THE CROSS & COFESSION 3:00 PM Frs Ramil & Bernard	EASTER VIGIL MASS 7:00 PM Fr Ramil	EASTER SUNDAY MASS 9:00 AM Fr Bernard
ST THERESE, MOEREWA	MASS 9:00 AM Fr Ramil	MASS & WASHING OF THE FEET 6:30 PM Fr Bernard	ADORATION OF THE CROSS & CONFESSION 5:30 PM Frs Ramil & Bernard	EASTER VIGIL MASS 9:00 PM Fr Ramil	
st Paul, Paihia	VIGIL MASS SATURDAY 5:30 PM Fr Bernard			RITE II 4:00 PM EASTER VIGIL MASS 5:30 PM Fr Bernard & Ramil	
ST PETER CHANEL, RUSSELL	MASS 11:30 AM Fr Ramil	MASS & WASHING OF THE FEET 11:30 AM Fr Ramil			EASTER SUNDAY MASS 11:30 AM Fr Ramil
ST PATRICK, OKAIHAU	MASS 5:30 PM Fr Ramil				EASTER SUNDAY MASS 5:30 PM Fr Bernard
ST NICHOLAS, WHIRINAKI	MASS I I:00 AM Fr John				EASTER SUNDAY MASS 5:00 AM Fr John
ST CHARLES, RAWENE		MASS & WASHING OF THE FEET 7:00 PM Fr John	ADORATION OF THE CROSS WITH COMMUNION 3:00 PM Fr John		

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