

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 5:00 PM @ St Patrick, Okaihau
Mass & Anointing at Kaikohe Care Centre
Holy Hour 6:30 PM @ Moerewa
Holy Hour 9:00AM @ Rawene



Last Wednesday of the Month

SUNDAY MASS & LITURGY SCHEDULES

SUNDAY YR B Cycle 2024	3rd March 3rd Sunday of Lent	10th March 4th Sunday of Lent	17th March 5th Sunday of Lent	24th March Palm Sunday	25th March Holy Mon- day
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	CHRISM MASS 12:00 NN
MOEREWĀ	MASS 9: 00 AM	LITURGY 9:00 AM	MASS 9: 00 AM	MASS 9:00 AM	St Francis Church,
RUSSELL	MASS 11: 30 AM	LITURGY 11: 30 AM	MASS 11: 30 AM	MASS 11: 30 AM	Whangarei
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	MASS 5:30 PM	
SOUTH HOKIANGA	LITURGY Whirinaki 11: 00 AM	MASS Whirinaki 11: 00 AM	LITURGY Whirinaki 11:00 AM	MASS Rawene 11:00 AM	



CHURCH	PALM SUNDAY 24 th March	HOLY THURSDAY 28th March	HOLY FRIDAY 29 th March	HOLY SATURDAY 30 th March	EASTER SUNDAY 31 st March
ST ANTHONY, KAIKOHE	MASS 9:00 AM Fr Ron Bennett	MASS & WASHING OF THE FEET 6:00 PM Fr Ramil Hamil	ADORATION OF THE CROSS & COFFESION 2:00 PM Frs Ramil & Ron	EASTER VIGIL MASS 7:00 PM Fr Ron Bennett	EASTER SUNDAY MASS 9:00AM Fr Ramil Hamil
ST THERESE, MOEREWĀ	MASS 9:00 AM Fr Ramil Hamil	MASS & WASHING OF THE FEET 7:30 PM Fr Ramil Hamil	ADORATION OF THE CROSS & COMMUNION 5:00 PM Fr Ron Bennett	EASTER VIGIL MASS 7:30 PM Fr Ramil Hamil	
ST PAUL, PAIHIA	VIGIL MASS SATURDAY 5:30 PM Fr Ramil Hamil			RITE II 4:00 PM EASTER VIGIL MASS 5:00 PM Frs Ron & Ramil	
ST PETER CHANEL RUSSELL	MASS 11:30AM Fr Ramil Hamil				EASTER SUNDAY MASS 11:30 AM Fr Ron Bennett
ST PATRICK, OKAIHAU	MASS 5:30 PM Fr Ramil Hamil				EASTER SUNDAY MASS 5:30 PM Fr Ramil Hamil
ST NICHOLAS, WHIRINAKI		MASS & WASHING OF THE FEET 6:00 PM Fr Ron Bennett			EASTER SUNDAY MASS 5:30 AM Fr Ron Bennett
ST CHARLES, RAWENE	MASS 11:00AM Fr Ron Bennett		ADORATION OF THE CROSS & COMMUNION 5:00 PM Fr Ramil Hamil		

MID-NORTH PASTORAL AREA NEWSLETTER MARCH 2024

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Mid-North Parishes



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 triumphant 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 fulfil our baptismal promises, joyful acceptance of daily trials for the love of God, and unselfish service to all who need our assistance.

- Bible Diary 2024



NO PRAYER IS TOO SMALL FOR THE LORD

PRAYER FOR PARISHIONERS

- ◆ Please pray for the healing and fast recovery of all the sick especially Marie Wilson, Uncle Leo Flood, Brenda Tweendale, Shaun, Sandy Waru, Tehia, Winnie, 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.**



On the 29th February the bishops of New Zealand, Bishop Stephen Lowe of Auckland, Bishop Michael Dooley of Dunedin, Bishop John Adams of Palmerston North, Bishop Richard Laurenson of Hamilton, Bishop Michael Gielen of Christchurch, and Archbishop Paul Martin of Wellington celebrated Mass at the Shrine of St. Peter Chanel, Russell



The South Hokianga parishioners have been grateful to Kelvin and Susan Corbett for sharing their lives with the community. Kelvin was the PPC Chairman while Susan was one of the PPC members. Kelvin and Susan decided to move to the South Island. We wish them well and keep them in our prayers.



“Love grows through love.”
Pope Benedict XVI - DEUS CARITAS EST



ARCHBISHOP OF WELLINGTON

7 March 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

I am writing to you regarding recent media coverage of an allegation against Cardinal John Dew about events alleged to have taken place in the 1970s.

The New Zealand Police investigated the allegation. They have stated that they have concluded their investigation and no charges will be laid.

Cardinal John retired as Archbishop of Wellington in May last year on reaching age 75, the normal retirement age for Catholic bishops. In accord with our protocols, Cardinal John stood aside from all public church activities when the allegation was brought to the attention of the Church. Cardinal John has asserted his innocence throughout.

Inquiries by the Church are not run concurrently to those being undertaken by the Police. Now that the Police investigation has concluded, Cardinal John continues to stand aside while Church inquiries proceed.

This has been a distressing situation for all involved. I would ask that we pray for all those affected and offer support where we can.

Yours in Christ

+ P. B. Martin SM

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