

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 FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

SUNDAY YR B Cycle 2024	7th April 2nd Sunday of Easter	14th April 3rd Sunday of Easter	21st April 4th Sunday of Easter	28th April 5th Sunday of Easter	
PAIHIA	Vigil MASS SATURDAY 5:30 PM	Vigil Mass SATURDAY 5:00 PM	Vigil Mass SATURDAY 5:00 PM	LITURGY SATURDAY 5:00 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	LITURGY 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	LITURGY Whirinaki 11:00 AM	

SUNDAY MASS & LITURGY SCHEDULES FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

SUNDAY YR B Cycle 2024	5th May 6th Sunday of Easter	12th May Ascension Sunday	19th May Pentecost Sunday	26th May Trinity Sunday	
PAIHIA	Vigil MASS SATURDAY 5:00 PM	Vigil Mass SATURDAY 5:00 PM	Vigil Mass SATURDAY 5:00 PM	Vigil Mass SATURDAY 5:00 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 Rawene 11:00 AM	

MID-NORTH PASTORAL AREA NEWSLETTER APRIL 2024

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

Parish Priest Fr. Ramil Hamil, MSP
Email midnorthcatholic2018@gmail.com
Website www.midnorthcatholic.org.nz
Phone (09) 401 9281



Mid-North Parishes



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 (Holy Saturday), and resurrection (Easter Sunday). 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 the 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 the Alleluia and the lighted paschal candle 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 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 into the whole world to preach the gospel and to baptize. Pentecost is the culmination of Christ's 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.

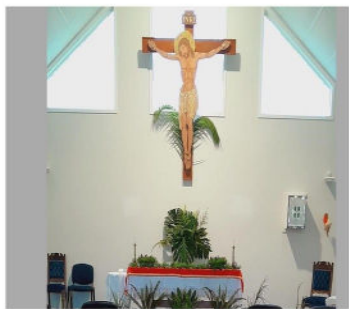
Bible Diary 2024



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.**



My debt of gratitude goes to the Mid-North parishioners especially to the community leaders for the successful celebration of Holy Week and Easter Sunday. May the risen Lord lives in our heart and mind all the days of our lives.

Fr Ron Bennett was with us from Palm Sunday until Easter Sunday. Fr Ron is from the Diocese of Wellington and currently assigned as one of the priests at Holy Cross Seminary, Auckland. Thank you so much Fr Ron for sharing your life and ministry with us. We keep you in our prayers.



Pope at Easter Urbi et Orbi: Christ is truly risen, hope is reborn for all!

- Vatican News

QUO VADIS (WHERE ARE YOU GOING?)

- Pilgrims of Hope -Bishops create special webpage for Jubilee 2025** – The NZ Catholic Bishops Conference has created a special online page of resources for parishes and individuals to use as we walk together towards Jubilee 2025–Pilgrims of Hope: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/about-us/jubilee-year-2025/>
- Join Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College for its new webinar series, A Taste of Theology** from April-December 2024 every first Tuesday of the month. These are one-hour sessions with topics on Philosophy, Canon Law, Spirituality, Scripture, Moral Theology, etc. Four sessions revisit the documents of Vatican II. Cost of \$60 one-off. For more information and to register, go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/tasteoftheology.
- Fr Ramil will be in Cook Islands from 25 April until 01 May to attend the episcopal ordination of Bishop-elect Rey Getalado, MSP
- The last week of April is National Vocation Week.
- Monday 29 April: Feast of St Peter Chanel, Patron Saint of Russell.
- Friday 03 May: Fr Ramil's 47th birthday. Let's remember him in our prayers.
- From 07 May –07 June Fr Ramil will be away for holiday. Fr Rajat Dungdung, OFM Cap. will be here while Fr Ramil is away.
- Ex- students of our Marist Brothers' Schools are invited, with their partners, to a luncheon on Sunday 21st April, 12.30pm, at the Marist Brother's home, 162 Broadway, Kaikohe, to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the canonization of St. Marcellin Champagnat, their founder. For catering purposes please e-mail Br. Martin – martypattison@fmspacific.com of your attendance, by Sunday 14th April. In grateful thanks. Br. Martin.

PASTORAL COMMUNITIES CONTACTS

RUSSELL	Sue Western (09) 403 8845
PAIHIA	Helen Schmuck (09) 407 4577
MOEREWAI	Patrick James 0272297558
OKAIHAU	Patty Bennett (09) 404 1285 / Paula Flood 021 619 315
KAIKOHE	Brendan (09) 405-3909
STH HOKIANGA	Office (09) 401 9281

IF YOU FIND THIS NEWSLETTER INTERESTING, PASS IT ON!

Should you wish to donate send to :

Mid North 5 House Account 02-0108-0705774-005

