

# ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

*Serving the people of South Taranaki in Hawera, Normanby and Manaia*



*26th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A  
27th September 2020*

## Gratitude

To be grateful for what is, instead of underscoring what is not.

To find good amid the unwanted aspects of life, without denying the presence of the unwanted.

To focus on beauty in the little things of life, as well as being deliberate  
about the great beauties of art, literature, music and nature.

To be present to one's own small space of life, while stretching to the wide world beyond it.

To find something to laugh about every day,  
even when there seems to be nothing to laugh about.

To search for and to see the good in others,  
rather than remembering their faults and weaknesses.

To be thankful for each loving deed done by another  
no matter how insignificant it might appear.

To taste life to the fullest, and not take any part of it for granted.

To seek to forgive others for their wrongdoings, even immense ones, and to put the past behind.

To find ways to reach out and help the disenfranchised,  
while also preserving their dignity and self-worth.

To be as loving and caring as possible, in a culture that consistently challenges these virtues.

To remember to say or send "thank you" for whatever comes as a gift from another.

Joyce Rupp

### PARISH INFORMATION

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### SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Saturday 3/10 5.00pm Sacred Heart Manaia

Sunday 4/10 9.30am St Joseph's Hawera

Sunday 4/10 11.15am Hoani Papita Marae

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Monday 9.00am Communion Service

Tuesday 9.00am Mass

Wednesday 9.00am Mass

Thursday 9.00am Mass

Friday 9.00am Mass

### SACRAMENT RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 11.00am, or any time by appointment

**SVDP Mass** Today is the Feast Day of St Vincent de Paul and local members of SVDP will minister to us at Mass this morning.

**Congratulations** to Shauri & Elijah Lucando, Liam & Luke Forbes, Ericka Arambulo, Tessa Cook & Stella Williamson who were baptised last week. Special thanks to Fr Craig, Carol Curtis, Susan Bradley & Rachel Kowalewski.



**Baptism** This Sunday we celebrate the baptism of Jack Pearce Annabell baby son of Jonathan & Mckenize Annabell.

**World Day of Migrants & Refugees. Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September.** Pope Francis has chosen the theme “Forced like Jesus to flee” with a focus on pastoral care of internally displaced persons.

**Parish Office** will be closed next Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> & Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. The Hawera Genealogy Bookfair will be held in the Hall 1-3 Oct.

#### **Peter’s Pence Collection 4th October 2020**

Memorial of St Francis of Assisi. The Peter’s Pence collection is a gesture of solidarity. Through it, every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church. It is an activity that also supports the most needy and ecclesial communities in difficulty who approach the Apostolic See for help. If you are not on planned giving, you can make a donation in an envelope marked Peter’s Pence and place it in the collection basket. Visit [www.peterspence.va/opere](http://www.peterspence.va/opere) to see great images of the works Pope Francis is supporting.

**Jubilarians Mass 2020:** Everyone in the Diocese is invited to the annual diocesan Mass to celebrate the ordination Jubilees of 2020. The Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit on Thursday 8 October at 11-30am followed by a luncheon in the Cathedral gathering area, to which everyone is invited. No RSVP required. The Jubilarians this year are: Fr John McLaughlin 65, Fr Frank Twiss SM 60 years, Fr Walter Cooke 60 years, Fr John Dykes 55 years, Fr Michael Wooller SM 50 years, Father Damian Caccioppoli SM 40 years, Fr Peter Brockhill 30 years, Fr Craig Butler 25 years. Episcopal Ordinations Bishop Peter Cullinane 40 years Bishop Owen Dolan 25 years. Congratulations and Blessings to all our Jubilarians!

**Covid Level One** – We are now back at Level One, which means that most normal practises can commence. However if you are not feeling well, we ask you to please stay home.

**End of Life Choice Act Referendum** Approximately 10% of our elders are the victims of abuse, mostly from their own families. Elder abuse continues to rise in New Zealand. Our elder abuse laws are not able to protect our elders. It is naive to expect that the End of Life Choice Act can keep people safe. Medical groups have stated that it will be impossible for doctors to detect if people are being pressured or coerced, whether by others or by their own feelings of being a burden. • The End of Life Choice Act is broader than similar laws passed overseas. Key medical groups, including the New Zealand Medical Association, Hospice New Zealand, Palliative Care Nurses and Palliative Medicine Doctors all oppose the EOLC Act as unsafe. The EOLC Act is badly drafted and seriously flawed. Whatever one’s views about the idea of euthanasia, it is not ‘compassion’ to vote for a dangerous law. See [www.riskylaw.nz](http://www.riskylaw.nz) or [www.votesafe.nz](http://www.votesafe.nz) or [www.carealliance.org.nz](http://www.carealliance.org.nz) or [www.nathaniel.org.nz](http://www.nathaniel.org.nz) Authorised by John Kleinsman, 15 Guildford Terrace, Thorndon, Wellington.

**Pro Life Facts** About 200 lawyers signed a new open letter against the End of Life Choice Act. They explain how it could take away choices from people who want to live: It “creates a financial disincentive for our Ministry of Health” to provide good care to people who would otherwise become eligible for euthanasia. An overdose would be cheaper than care. For more information before the binding referendum, see [lvnz.org.nz](http://lvnz.org.nz).

**Te Rōpū Tautoko**, the Catholic agency which liaises with the Royal Commission on Abuse in Care. Tautoko encourages everyone reading this to please sign up for the newsletter. Go to: <https://catholic.us19.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=7c916b655c8814bc0beda91c5&id=8992e6da17> Ngā mihi, David McLoughlin (New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference).

The Bishops’ 2020 Election Statement-Whakapuaki Pōti has just been published. The Statement online here: [www.catholic.org.nz/assets/Uploads/Catholic-Bishops-Election-Statement-2020.pdf](http://www.catholic.org.nz/assets/Uploads/Catholic-Bishops-Election-Statement-2020.pdf)

A link to it is also on the NZCBC Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/CatholicNZ/>

And a media statement about it is online

here: [www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/bishops-election-statement-2020/](http://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/bishops-election-statement-2020/) Please collect a booklet with your newsletter.

Shoe Box Christmas appeal closes 31<sup>st</sup> October. Shoe boxes are available in the church foyer or mission centre.

#### **PRAYERS FOR OUR LOVED ONES WHO HAVE DIED:**

We remember and pray for all those who have died recently, especially Kearney O’Connor, Henrica Bruynel, and all whose anniversaries are at this time including Helma Wright, Richard Roberts, Hugh Cunningham, Louis Hickman, Margaret Landers, Joan Browning, Josephine Dombroski, Bruce Cudby, Dorothy Miers, Mary Mouat, Alan Linn & Viktor Cucek. Anniversary Masses has been requested for Thomas Walsh, Edith Walsh, Joseph Walsh, Fr William Walsh, Fr John Walsh Viktor Cucek and David Ingram.