# The Amalgamating Parishes of State Highway 3

Saint Patrick, Te Awamutu; Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Otorohanga; Saint George, Te Kuiti

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# Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 24-25 October 2020

Labour Weekend - Public Holiday Monday 26th October

# October is the Month of the Holy Rosary

The Rosary will be prayed each weekday (Monday - Friday) in Saint Patrick's Church at 7pm There will be a light dinner after Rosary on Friday 30th October. Please bring food to share. For further information, please contact Theresa 027 933 4446

### Readings for THIS Sunday - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 17-18 October

1st Reading: Exodus 22:20-26

Response: Psalm 17:2-4, 47, 51 resp v2 2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

Alleluia: John 14:23

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

### Reading for NEXT Sunday - All Saints Day - 31 October - 1 November

Apocalypse 7:2-4, 9-14; Psalm 23:1-6, resp v6; I John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

### All Saints

The ultimate object of veneration of the Saints is the glory of God and the sanctification of mortal human beings by conforming one's life fully to the divine will and by imitating the virtue of those who were pre-eminent disciples of the Lord. Catechesis and other forms of doctrinal instruction should therefore make known to the faithful that our relationship with the Saints must be seen in the light of the faith and should not obscure the worship due to God the Father through Christ in the Holy Spirit, but intensify it. (Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy, 212)

## All Souls Day Masses - Monday 2 November.

Masses at Saint Patrick's Church will be 7.15am and 9.15am (at which the whole school will be in attendance). Mass at Otorohanga at 5.15pm

An opportunity to light candles in memory of our beloved dead will be provided at Saint Patrick's - 5pm Mass Saturday, 7 November, and 10.30am Mass Sunday, 8 November. Otorohanga - 5.15pm Mass, Monday 2 November

# **Sacrament of Confession – Rite of Reconciliation**

Te Kuiti: Tuesdays 6pm (after 5.30pm Mass)

Te Awamutu: Thursdays 6pm-7.15pm, Fridays 8.30am-9am, Saturdays after Sat night Mass Otorohanga: Wednesday 4th November 5pm, flexi start time, includes Rosary and Stations of Cross

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick - Friday 30th October, 2pm, St Patrick's Parish Lounge

#### Sunday Mass times during Covid-19 Emergency Level 1

**Te Kuiti -** 9.30am Sunday

Otorohanga - 11.30am Sunday

**Te Awamutu -** 5pm Saturday Vigil Mass, 10.30am Sunday (Reminder there is no 8.30am Mass at Level 1)

**Kawhia -** Sunday 1st November, First Sunday of the month at 5pm (during daylight saving),

St Peter's Church, Hoturoa Street, Kawhia

#### **Weekday Mass Times**

Monday 26 OctoberNO MASS Te Awamutu (Labour Day)Tuesday 27 October12.15pm Te Awamutu5.30pm Te KuitiWednesday 28 October9.15am Te Awamutu9.15am Te KuitiSt Simon and St Jude, ApostlesThursday 29 October5.30pm Te Awamutu9.15am OtorohangaFriday 30 October9.15amTe Awamutu9.15am Te Kuiti

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**Covid Announcements** - "As a Church we must be conscious of the needs of the vulnerable as Christ himself was"

- Please remember if you are unwell stay home.
- At Church and/or Mass hand sanitising and use of the COVID tracing app or sign in applies.
- Greet people before/after Mass and at the Sign of Peace with a smile, nod or bow to one another
- Maintain social distance
- Holy Water is removed from stoups and fonts
- Holy Communion will not be distributed from the chalice and is only distributed by hand.

"I am grateful to those who have embraced this condition graciously. I know for others, this restriction remains a trial. Let us remember that the matter of primary importance is RECEIVING THE LORD, not how WE physically receive the Lord"

November Liturgy Roster, Saint Patrick's, Te Awamutu - is due to be published this week. If you have offered to be part of a ministry or duty at Mass at Saint Patrick's, please look out for the Roster on the e-mail, check the Notice Board or the Church App to see if your name appears for a turn in November. Perhaps because of the disruption caused by Covid-19, some are still getting used to the relaxation of earlier restrictions, and so are not as diligent in checking the Roster as there have been some missing their turn in recent weeks ...

It is timely to request that if you are going to be away over the December-January holiday period, you could let Denise Powell know so that she does not include you in a roster for which you are not going to be present.

Thank you in anticipation for your attention to these matters.

### Parish Lounge and/or Church Bookings

Please email office@stpatta.org.nz for lounge and church bookings with details of the group name, date and time and contact details. A printed copy of the booking calender is also available on the notice board in the church foyer. Please check this for availability. Any groups that have bookings, I trust these have been advised to the Parish Office and are included on the calender. If not, please let us know by email. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

## **Rosary Decade for Mission Month**

Please find time to pray at least a decade of the Rosary for Pope Francis and the missionary work of the Church





Thank you for supporting this year's MISSIO-NZ Church Appeal through your heartfelt gifts and prayers.

Your generosity makes it possible for missionaries to continue reaching out and empowering people like Zyrhrie and her family.

Thank you also to parishioners who have become monthly giving MISSIO-NZ friends.

For more information about the work of MISSIO around the world, please contact us at <a href="mailto:info@missio.nz">info@missio.nz</a> or write to us P.O. Box 31 596 Milford Auckland 0741



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<u>Centenary Celebrations</u> - St Patrick's School will be celebrating its centenary, Friday/Saturday 22-23 October, Labour Weekend 2021. Please put it in your diary and spread the word - more details to come.

<u>NZ Catholic</u> The October 18-31 issue of NZ Catholic is out now, the 600th issue. If you wish to subscribe to this newspaper go to <a href="https://nzcatholic.org.nz/">https://nzcatholic.org.nz/</a>

<u>It's Pie Time</u> - **30th October (Friday), from 3.00pm** - collect your orders from the St Patrick's Parish Lounge Emily can be contacted on <u>devissermob@gmail.com</u> or 021 298 6172. Thank you for your support!

**2021 Columban Calendars** - \$10, available for purchase after Mass or from the school office - cash only

<u>St Peter's Parish Cambridge Tea Towel Fundraiser</u> - St Peter's Parish are selling tea towels with Mother Theresa quotes and a Christmas Grace. They would make lovely Christmas gifts. \$15 each. Order forms are in the foyer. Orders and payment due by 4th November. Emily de Visser will distribute St Patrick's orders mid-Nov.

<u>Society of Saint Vincent de Paul</u> - Those interested in contributing to the work of the Society are welcome. Parishioners' regular contribution to the Combined Churches and Community Foodbank is greatly appreciated and warmly acknowledged. Allan 027 936 5986 or <u>allanjm@xtra.co.nz</u> John 027 5512 1646

<u>Church App</u> - The Amalgamating Parishes of State Highway 3 now has a Church App. If you have a smartphone our Parish app is a great way to keep up to date with what's happening. To download the parish app search for "ChurchAppsNZ" in the app store, and then enter "The Amalgamating Parishes of State Highway 3" and download the app to your device or click this link to download the app. <a href="https://churchesofshw3.churchapps.co.nz/install/">https://churchesofshw3.churchapps.co.nz/install/</a>



## **Our Churches are Open for Private Prayer and Devotions**

Saint George's Te Kuiti: 9am – 5pm

**Saint Patrick's Te Awamutu:** Mon-Fri: 8am – 5pm; at other times, please enter numbers into keypad **Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Otorohanga:** Wednesdays 5pm for Stations of the Cross and Rosary or by arrangement - please ring Deacon Brian Whitlow, 07 873 7722