

Sacred Heart Parish

13th September 2026 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FR BRIAN'S PRAYER & REFLECTION



C S Lewis well understood the importance, indeed the necessity of forgiving others. In his essay "On Forgiveness," written in 1947 Lewis had stated:

We believe that God forgives us our sins; but also that He will not do so unless we forgive other people their sins against us. There is no doubt about the second part of this statement. It is in the Lord's Prayer; was emphatically stated by our Lord. If you don't forgive you will not be forgiven. No part of His teaching is clearer, and there are no exceptions to it.

Even when we understand the importance of forgiving others, it can sometimes be very hard, and especially in difficult situations, may require repeated efforts and much prayer. As Lewis recounted in his letter, it literally took him years before he succeeded in forgiving his cruel schoolmaster. Is there anyone you need to forgive, perhaps in a situation where forgiveness is very hard? In such a situation, it may be helpful to remember Lewis's example and his advice to keep on trying. Extracted from C.S Lewis institute

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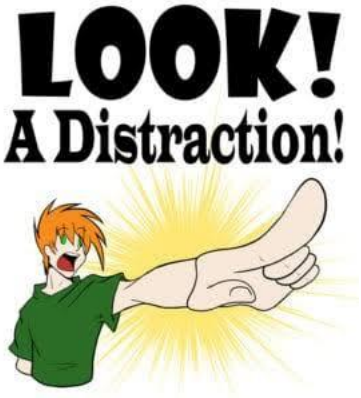

Over the last couple of weeks my homilies have not been up to my standard. I Apologize there are many different and new processes that I need to get used to. A new office in a different spot, and utilities are in a different building. The school are very generous, and I am made most welcome and appreciate their kindness. There are constant distraction and noise with the windows and the front of the church. Moving my office was only one part of the move process. I also needed to move all my personal effects, give away a lot of my art, books, and Christmas decorations, plus numerous other items. It was a radical downsizing. My mother continues to repeat herself, and stresses about little things and is now legally blind. My sister who also resides in New Plymouth is away for a month, so when once 2 shared helping mum, it's me for most of this month. That said my other two sisters are coming down for a few days. Unfortunately, one of my sisters and husband are coming over to a sad funeral of Dean McAsey, my sister's husband brother. Finally, I have a younger cousin dying. He has lost all mobility, and he needs lots of prayers as he sits and waits for God to call. So in time I will come right. If I bite you know why. Fr Brian Carmine

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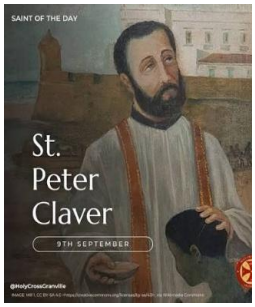

Saint Peter Claver's Story

A native of Spain, young Jesuit Saint Peter Claver left his homeland forever in 1610 to be a missionary in the colonies of the New World. He sailed into Cartagena, a rich port city washed by the Caribbean. He was ordained there in 1615. By this time the slave trade had been established in the Americas for nearly 100 years, and Cartagena was a chief centre for it. Ten thousand slaves poured into the port each year after crossing the Atlantic from West Africa under conditions so foul and inhuman that an estimated one-third of the passengers died in transit. Although the practice of slave-trading was condemned by Pope Paul III and later labelled "supreme villainy" by Pope Pius IX, it continued to flourish. As soon as a slave ship entered the port, Peter Claver moved into its infested hold to minister to the ill-treated and exhausted passengers. After the slaves were herded out of the ship like chained animals and shut up in nearby yards to be gazed at by the crowds, Claver plunged in among them with medicines, food, bread, brandy, lemons, and tobacco. During the 40 years of his ministry, Claver instructed and baptized an estimated 300,000 slaves. After four years of sickness, which forced the saint to remain inactive and largely neglected, Saint Peter Claver died on September 8, 1654. Peter Claver was canonized in 1888, and Pope Leo XIII declared him the worldwide patron of missionary work among black slaves

THE VISION *of* SACRED HEART PARISH, INGLEWOOD IS:

Parish communities empowered by the Holy Spirit to grow in faith, hope and love.

Ngā Hāpori Pariha i whakamanahia e te wairua tapu ki te tupu i roto i te whakapono, te tūmanako me te aroha.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS: Eric Pierce, Harry Naus, Evelyn Logie, Eliza Ennis, Brian Herlihy, Lena Potroz, James Fevre

We remember in our prayers: All those who are unwell in our Parish, those who are caring for sick loved ones and those who are still living in their own homes, the lonely, the elderly, those suffering Bereavements and all Parishioners in Rest Homes and Hospitals.

FOOD / VIDEO / CONVERSATION

We are excited to bring you Alpha. This is a 10-week course that creates a space, in person, where you can bring your friends for a conversation about life and faith.

Invite your non church or non-Christian friends who might want to know more about Christianity.

Beginning Tuesday 15th September 2026
(Registration forms need to be in by the 14th September)
5.45pm to 8.00pm
Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Inglewood

Registration forms are on the foyer table or contact the parish office for one, shparish@xtra.co.nz

FACEBOOK PAGE: We are on Facebook - Sacred Heart Parish, Inglewood. Follow our page and keep up to date on what's happening in our parish.

SACRED HEART PARISH HALL: For all bookings and inquiries for our Parish Hall these are to go through Nicky in the Parish Office.

ROSARY AT FORRESTAL LODGE

Every Tuesday at 4pm. Entry is through the sliding door. Everyone is welcome.

PRAYER GROUP with ADORATION

Every Thursday from 9 am-10am.

MEN'S DINNER - INGLEWOOD

Sunday 13th September at 6.00pm at Fern Lodge, Inglewood. Please ring Pat Kuklinski, 021 047 1074 before noon on the Sunday so he can book the restaurant.

WORKS & FINANCE MEETING

Sunday 20th September at 11.30am

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 22nd September at 10.00am

OPEN DAY

A time for friendship and fellowship.
Thursday 24th September
from 10.45am – 12 noon in the Burckett Hall.
This will be a time for a cup of tea, morning tea and conversation. Everyone is welcome.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEETING

Thursday 1st October after the 10am Mass.

PLANNED GIVING

If anyone is interested in going on planned giving or would like more information on planned giving, then please give Nicky a call in the parish office – 756 7164 or email her on shparish@xtra.co.nz

DONATIONS COLLECTION - Sunday 6th September

Parish	$475.01
Clergy Trust Fund	$175.69

PARISH CONTACTS

23 Standish Street, PO Box 109, Inglewood
Phone: 756 7164 or 027 672 2514
Email: shparish@xtra.co.nz

Parish Priest: Fr. Brian Carmine – 756 7164 or 027 516 3758
Secretary / Administrator / Parish Planned Giving: Nicky Kuklinski – 756 7164
Parish Office Hours: Tuesday - Thursday 9am – 12noon
Donations: If you would like to make a donation to our Church, you can use the following details:
Bank: Sacred Heart Parish Account Inglewood
Account Number: 02-0630-0288002-011
Bank: BNZ, Palmerston North
Reference: Your name
(If you would like a receipt, can you please email the Parish Office)

PARISH CONTACT PEOPLE

Parish Prayer Support (Prayer Line): Theresa Gibbon – 756 8349
Parish Hall Hire & Religious Stall: Parish Office – 756 7164
Gluten Free Hosts: Nicky Kuklinski – 027 672 2514
Floral Arrangement Roster: Tess Johnston – 756 8452
St Patrick's School Principal: April Baylis – 756 7908, email: office@stpatsinglewood.school.nz
Foodbank: Open at Forrestal House on Fridays – 9.30am – 10.30am.



MASS TIMES

INGLEWOOD

SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Sunday 10.30am

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday 10.30am

WEEK DAY MASS TIMETABLE

Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 10.00am
Saturday 9.00am *Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday*

BENEDICTION & RECONCILIATION

Saturday 8.30am *Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday*

MOKAU: For Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals, please contact Fr. Brian bejcarmine@gmail.com

BAPTISMS (INGLEWOOD): 1st Sunday of every month (except January). For more information contact Fr. Brian or the Parish Office

WAITARA

SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Sunday 9.00am *Every Sunday*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday 9.00am *Every Week*

WEEK DAY MASS TIMETABLE

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place for 30 minutes as shown below (before or after)

Tuesday	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word	*(after)*
Wednesday	5.30pm	Mass	*(before)*
Thursday	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word	*(after)*
Friday	9.00am	Mass	*(after)*
Saturday	9.00am	Every 2nd & 4th Saturday	*(before)*
Saturday	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word All other Saturday's	*(after)*

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 8.30am *Every 2nd & 4th Saturday*

NGA PEKANGA

Sunday 10.30am 13th September

BAPTISMS (WAITARA): 2nd Saturday of every month (except January). For more information contact Fr. Brian or the Parish Office

SCRIPTURE READINGS

13th September – Psalm Response: The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger, and rich in compassion.
Sirach: 27.30 – 28.7 **Romans:** 14.7-9 **Matthew:** 18.21-35
20th September – Psalm Response: The Lord is near to all who call on him.
Isaiah: 55.6-9 **Philippians:** 1.20-24, 27 **Matthew:** 20.1-16

SUNDAY MINISTRIES

	This Week Sun 13th September	Next Week Sun 20th September
Readers	Steve Morice Joy Woodward	Vonna Parsons Christiane McIntyre
Prayers of Faithful	Sophie Chow	Mike Davey
Presentation of Gifts	Val Young	Betty Dravitzki Anne Dravitzki
Communion Ministers	Alan Gibbins Marg Evans Tony Dravitzki	Aaron Downer Olly D'Ath Chris Werder
Altar Servers	Harper Sophia	Abby Isaac
Music	Music – Sue Marsh	Music Group
Power Points	Nicky	Mark
Counters	Christiane McIntyre Mike Crofskey	Dennis Dravitzki Chris Werder
Cup of Tea	Monforte Family	Maree & Alan Gibbins
Church Cleaning	Leo & Liz Bennett 11 / 12 September	Bernadine Minnear & Veronica Hinz 18 / 19 September

CARDS & GIFTS: Have you seen our Religious Box? If not, and you would like to have a look at our range of gifts and cards then see Nicky in the office

Mass Readings for the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading – Sirach 27:30-28:7: Wrath and anger are condemned, while forgiveness of others is commended. Remember mortality and God's commandments, setting aside enmity and overlooking faults.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 103: Bless the Lord for his kindness and mercy. He pardons iniquities, heals ills, and redeems lives. His compassion is vast, putting transgressions far away from those who fear him.

Second Reading – Romans 14:7-9: Whether living or dying, we belong to the Lord. Christ's death and resurrection affirm that he is Lord of both the living and the dead, and our lives should reflect that.

Gospel – Matthew 18:21-35: Jesus teaches about forgiveness using a parable of a servant forgiven a huge debt but who then refuses to forgive a smaller debt. The master, angry at this hypocrisy, punishes him. Jesus warns that we must forgive others wholeheartedly.

BAPTISM DATES FOR 2026

Inglewood (12 noon)	**Waitara** (11.00am)
4th October	10th October
1st November	14th November
6th December	12th December

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Is 55:6-9
Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near. Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked his thoughts; let him turn to the LORD for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18
Every day will I bless you, and I will praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the LORD and highly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.
R. The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness.
The LORD is good to all and compassionate toward all his works.
R. The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

The LORD is just in all his ways and holy in all his works.
The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.
R. The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

Reading 2: Phil 1:20c-24, 27a
Brothers and sisters: Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. If I go on living in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. And I do not know which I shall choose. I am caught between the two. I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit.
Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.

Gospel: Mt 20:1-16a
Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.' So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o'clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.' When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.' He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

MOBILE PHONES IN CHURCH: Can you please make sure that these are either turned off or on silent while attending Mass.
NOTICE BOARD & FOYER TABLE: Don't forget to look at the notice board and foyer table. The notices and posters are changing all the time
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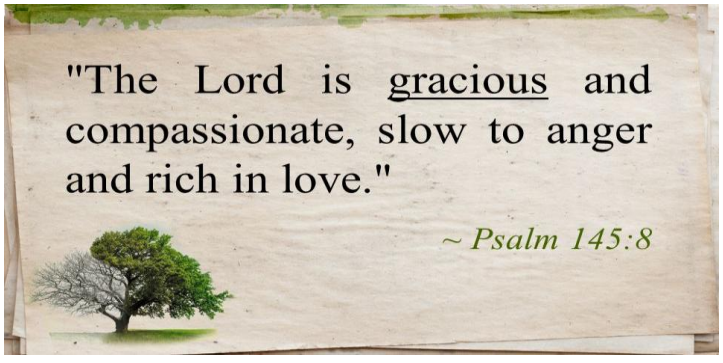



FROM THE DIOCESE OF PALMERSTON NORTH

Ordination to the Diaconate of Peter Dung (Zung) Manh Phan: Bishop John Adams and the Catholic Diocese of Palmerston North are pleased to announce the forthcoming Ordination to the Diaconate of Peter Dung (Zung) Manh Phan, 11am on Saturday 21 November 2026, at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Palmerston North.

MISSION SUNDAY 100TH CELEBRATION: The Catholic Church around the world will mark the 100th Mission Sunday on October 18. The day is set aside to pray for the Church's mission and to support those who carry the Gospel to places where hope is fragile, where faith is young and where believers often face hardship or persecution. That support can be financial and through prayer. Find out more at: https://missio.nz/. The New Zealand Catholic Bishops have written a letter to Catholic Schools and Parishes – you can find it at https://missio.nz/wp-content/uploads/NZCBC-Letter-Mission-Sunday-100-years-1.pdf

November 2026 Funding Round | Catholic Charities Foundation: Parish groups, agencies and church organisations that provide a helping hand by supporting Families and Social Services are invited to apply for funding from the Catholic Charities Foundation of Palmerston and the Tindall Foundation through the Diocesan Allocations group. The priority is to fund Catholic and community organisations who are working in areas identified as priorities by the Catholic Charities Foundation of Palmerston North and the Tindall Foundation, and aligned with the diocesan goals. We are charged with the funding support of groups committed to social, pastoral, charitable and educational needs in the diocese. Applications are judged based on need, resource availability and the fulfilment of set criteria.
Applications are now open and are due by Wednesday 30 September 2026. Application forms and more information can be found here: https://pndiocese.org.nz/who-we-are/application-for-funding-catholic-charities-allocations/

St Joseph's School Ōpunakē Celebrates 125 Years: St Joseph's School Ōpunakē is preparing to celebrate its 125th Jubilee on Thursday 22 and Friday 23 October. Past pupils, staff, parishioners and friends of the school are warmly invited to take part in the celebrations. More information for the weekend can be found at https://www.trybooking.com/nz/events/landing/20235?embed. Register your interest at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1NaYZskvwQt6yzaSr4KExhfRtaNPCn5v-XKQRYX7JfAE/viewform?edit_requested=true#responses. All are welcome to help celebrate this significant milestone in the life of St Joseph's School Ōpunakē.

St Joseph's School New Plymouth Centenary | 23 -25 October 2026: St Joseph's Catholic School invites former students, staff, and families to attend this significant milestone. The event will take place Friday 23 – Sunday 25 October. Those interested are asked to register at St Joseph's School New Plymouth Centenary Registration: Labour Weekend 2026. Follow the official Centenary Facebook page for more information and updates: https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61576850039718





ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

Once again, they are collecting Yummy Fruit stickers to get free sports gear for our school!

Purchase Yummy apples, either bags with cut-out labels or individual apples with Yummy stickers.
One cut-out label is worth 10 apple stickers.
Place the Yummy stickers on sticker collection sheets and cut-out labels on cut-out label collection sheets.

Collection sheets for the stickers are available on the foyer table for you to take home. Fill a sheet and then drop it back into the office.