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Parish Plan 2018

Dear parishioners and friends,

This **Parish Plan 2018** is a new initiative of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC).

In this booklet we publish the significant dates and events in our parish, diocesan and national calendars. As you will see, these have been arranged under the following headings: Liturgical, Spiritual, Pastoral, Faith Formation, Sacramental Programmes, Youth, Social Justice, School and Projects.

We would like to draw your attention to the **Faith Formation** section. It is important that we Catholics understand better our faith. Many of us still hold onto the faith as taught to us when we were at primary school. We have never allowed ourselves (or perhaps, opportunities have never been offered to us), to delve more deeply into the essential teachings of the Catholic Church. Many Catholics feel inadequate in explaining our faith to others. People ask us questions about Catholicism and we do not have the answers and/or do not know where to find them. The Faith Formation courses we are offering in 2018 go some way to addressing this issue.

This year we have invited Fr John Joliffe sm, (a Marist and a former Parish Priest and teacher) to be present in the parish and to offer parishioners courses on St Mark's Gospel; on the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist; and on *Lectio Divina* (Silent Listening Prayer).

In 2018, we offer once again the **ALPHA Course**, which was so successful last year.

For those who are looking at becoming Catholics the parish invites you to enter the **RCIA** a year long programme of instruction in the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church, as well as formation in 'What it means to be Catholic?'. In 2017, eleven parishioners embarked on this journey of faith, of whom, a number will be baptised at the Easter Vigil later this year.

Apologetics is a course designed specifically to explain the teachings of the Church in a clear and logical manner. This course will be taught by our youth minister, Colin Shirley. Three other courses will follow during the year, called **Back to the Basics**.

So ... we invite you to look through what's on offer in the parish this year. Rather ... don't just look – make a decision to do one or more of the courses. We have spread them out over the year and have, for the most part, limited them to manageable segments of three weeks.

Finally, there may be courses that you would like to see offered in the coming years. Please feel free to let us know and we will do our best 'to make it happen'.

Parish Pastoral Council

| LITURGICAL | EVENT | DATE | TIME & PLACE | RESPONSIBILITY |
|-------------------|--|--|--|----------------------------|
| | Presentation of the Lord | Friday, 2 February | Mass – Taupo: 12 noon | School |
| | Ash Wednesday: Lent begins | Ash Wednesday 14 February | Mass – Taupo: 9.15 am Mass – Turangi: 12 noon Mass – Taupo: 7.00 pm | School Parish Parish |
| | St Joseph the Worker Patronal Feast Day Turangi | Marked on Saturday 17 March | Vigil Mass – Turangi: 5.30 pm | Parish |
| | St Patrick's Patronal Feast Day Taupo | Friday, 16 March Marked on Sunday 18 March | Mass – Taupo: 12 noon Mass – Taupo: 9.00 am | School Parish |
| | Palm Sunday | Sunday, 25 March | Vigil Mass – Turangi: 5.30 pm Mass – Taupo: 9.00 am | |
| | Chrism Mass | Tuesday, 27 March | Chrism Mass – Cathedral: 6.00 pm | Diocese |
| | Holy Thursday | Thursday, 29 March | Mass of the Last Supper – Taupo: 7.00 pm | Parish |
| | Good Friday | Friday, 30 March | Stations of the Cross – Turangi: 9.00 am Good Friday Service – Taupo: 3.00 pm | Parish |

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| | Easter Vigil | Saturday, 31 March | Vigil Mass – Taupo: 7.00 pm | Parish |
| | Easter Sunday | Sunday, 1 April | Mass – Taupo: 9.00 am Mass – Turangi: 11.30 am | Parish |
| | St Peter Chanel Patronal Feast Day Hamilton Diocese | Marked on Sunday 29 April | Mass – Taupo: 9.00 am | Parish |
| | Pentecost Sunday | Sunday, 20 May | Vigil Mass – Turangi: 5.30 pm Mass – Taupo: 9.00 am | Parish School |
| | Our Lady of the Assumption Patronal Feast Day New Zealand | Wednesday, 15 August | Mass – Taupo: 9.15 am Mass – Turangi: 12 noon Mass – Taupo: 7.00 pm | School Parish Parish |
| | 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Social Justice Week | Sunday, 9 September | Vigil Mass – Turangi: 5.30 pm Mass – Taupo: 9.00 am | Parish School |
| | Mission Sunday | Sunday, 21 October | Vigil Mass – Turangi: 5.30 pm Mass – Taupo: 9.00 am | Parish Parish |
| | All Saints | Thursday, 1 November | Mass – Taupo: 9.00 am Mass – Turangi: 12 noon | Parish Parish |

| LITURGICAL | EVENT | DATE | TIME & PLACE | RESPONSIBILITY |
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| | All Souls | Friday, 2 November | Mass & Blessing of the Graves – Turangi: 9.00 am | Parish |
| | | | Mass & Blessing of the Graves – Taupo: 12 noon | School |
| | Confirmation & First Holy Communion | Sunday, 18 November | Mass – Taupo: 9.00 am | Bishop Steve |
| | Christ the King | Sunday, 25 November | Vigil Mass – Turangi: 5.30 pm | Parish |
| | | | Mass – Taupo: 9.00 am | Parish |
| | 1st Sunday of Advent <i>The beginning of the Church's New Year.</i> | Sunday, 2 December | Vigil Mass – Turangi: 5.30 pm Mass – Taupo: 9.00 am | Parish Parish |
| | End of Year School Mass | Monday, 10 December | Mass – Taupo: 5.30 pm | School |
| Maori Mass <i>This initiative is offered in the hope that we can encourage Catholic Maori to reconnect with the Church.</i> | Sunday, 29 April Sunday, 29 July Sunday, 30 September | Mass – Taupo: 9.00 am | Parish | |

*“The liturgy is the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed;
at the same time it is the font from which all her power flows.”*

Vatican II, Sacrosanctum Concilium

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| | With Hearts Burning Module Three <i>Spiritual renewal in the Diocese with Bishop Steve.</i> | Sunday, 18 February | With the newsletters | Bishop Steve |
| | With Hearts Burning <i>See above.</i> | Sunday, 8 April | With the newsletters | Bishop Steve |
| | With Hearts Burning Module Five <i>See above.</i> | Sunday, 31 May | With the newsletters | Bishop Steve |
| | With Hearts Burning Module Six <i>See above.</i> | Sunday, 6 September | With the newsletters | Bishop Steve |
| | Stations of the Cross <i>The praying of the Stations of the Cross is a traditional Lenten devotion in the Church. Why not come along a share in this pilgrimage and prayer.</i> | Friday, 16 February Wednesday, 21 February Friday, 23 February Wednesday, 28 February Friday, 2 March Wednesday, 7 March Friday, 9 March Wednesday, 14 March Friday, 16 March Wednesday, 21 March | Taupo: 7.00 pm Turangi: 7.00 pm Taupo: 7.00 pm Turangi: 7.00 pm Taupo: 7.00 pm Turangi: 7.00 pm Taupo: 7.00 pm Turangi: 7.00 pm Taupo: 7.00 pm Turangi: 7.00 pm | School To be confirmed Tokelau community (tbc) Indian community (tbc) Filipino community (tbc) PPC (tbc) |

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| SPIRITUAL | <p style="text-align: center;">Lent Taizé Prayer /Mediation</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>We invite you to spend an hour in prayer with the Lord.</i></p> | Sunday, 18 February Sunday, 25 February Sunday, 4 March Sunday, 11 March Sunday, 18 March | Taizé – Taupo: 7.00 pm Meditation – Taupo: 7.00 pm Taizé – Taupo: 7.00 pm Meditation – Taupo: 7.00 pm Taizé – Taupo: 7.00 pm | Monsignor Trevor Angela Moeke |
| | <p style="text-align: center;">Lenten Retreat</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Sr Ann Sklenars, a Sister of the Missions, will lead us in a Lenten retreat. Why not join us too?</i></p> | Saturday, 17 March | Taupo: 9.00 am – 1.00 pm | Sr Ann Sklenars rmdm |
| | <p style="text-align: center;">Lectio Divina</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>“Divine Reading” is a method of meditating on the Sacred Scriptures.</i></p> | Wednesday, 21 February Wednesday, 28 February Wednesday, 7 March | Turangi: 1.00 pm Taupo: 7.00 pm | Fr John Joliffe sm <i>Fr John is a Marist priest who offers courses to parishes.</i> |
| | <p style="text-align: center;">May Marian Devotions</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>May and October are traditionally the “months of Mary”. During these months we will be offering parishioners the opportunity to pray the Mysteries of the Rosary as a parish community.</i></p> | Wednesday, 2 May Wednesday, 9 May Wednesday, 16 May Wednesday, 23 May Wednesday, 30 May | Turangi: 7.00 pm Taupo: 7.00 pm | To be confirmed |

| SPIRITUAL | EVENT | DATE | TIME & PLACE | RESPONSIBILITY |
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| | <p style="text-align: center;">October Marian Devotions <i>See above.</i></p> | <p>Wednesday, 3 October Wednesday, 10 October Wednesday, 17 October Wednesday, 24 October Wednesday, 31 October</p> | <p>Turangi: 7.00 pm Taupo: 7.00 pm</p> | <p>To be confirmed</p> |
| | <p style="text-align: center;">Advent Retreat <i>Let's begin Advent by spending some time in prayer and reflection.</i></p> | <p>Saturday, 1 December</p> | <p>Taupo: 9.00 am – 1.00 pm</p> | <p>Fr John O'Connor <i>Is a priest of the Diocese of Christchurch.</i></p> |
| | <p style="text-align: center;">Advent Taizé Prayer /Mediation <i>See above – Lent.</i></p> | <p>Sunday, 2 December Sunday, 9 December Sunday, 16 December Sunday, 23 December</p> | <p>Taupo: 7.00 pm</p> | |
| | <p style="text-align: center;">Prayer Ministry Training <i>Many people, for many reasons, ask for prayer. This invitation is for people in the parish who would like to train as Prayer Ministers – to pray with and for those in need.</i></p> | <p>To be announced.</p> | | |

“You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in you.”

St Augustine

| PASTORAL | EVENT | DATE | TIME & PLACE | RESPONSIBILITY |
|-----------------|--|---|--|-------------------------|
| | <p>Lent Reconciliation Service</p> <p><i>It is important to recognise our need of God's forgiveness. In this communal celebration of Reconciliation, we gather with our fellow parishioners to acknowledge our sinfulness and to receive God's forgiveness.</i></p> | <p>Wednesday, 21 March Thursday, 22 March</p> | <p>Turangi: 7.00 pm Taupo: 7.00 pm</p> | <p>Parish</p> |
| | <p>Advent Reconciliation Service</p> <p><i>See above.</i></p> | <p>Wednesday, 19 December Thursday, 20 December</p> | <p>Turangi: 7.00 pm Taupo: 7.00 pm</p> | <p>Parish</p> |
| | <p>Alpha Marriage Course</p> <p><i>We want to support married couples in our parish. In 2018, we are hoping to run an Alpha Marriage Course.</i></p> | <p>To be announced (tba)</p> | <p>tba</p> | <p>tba</p> |
| | <p>Funeral Preparation</p> <p><i>Death is inevitable. Have you thought about preparing your funeral service/liturgy before you die?</i></p> | <p>Wednesday, 13 June Wednesday, 14 November</p> | <p>Turangi: 1.00 pm Taupo: 7.00 pm Turangi: 1.00 pm Taupo: 7.00 pm</p> | <p>Monsignor Trevor</p> |

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| PASTORAL | Anointing of the Sick Masses | Wednesday, 7 March Friday, 9 March | Turangi: 12 noon Taupo: 12 noon | Parish |
| | <i>It is important to recognise our need of God's forgiveness. In this communal celebration of Reconciliation, we gather with our fellow parishioners to acknowledge our sinfulness and to receive God's forgiveness.</i> | Wednesday, 6 June Friday, 8 June | Lunch is offered after Mass. | |
| | | Wednesday, 12 September Friday, 14 September | | |
| | | Wednesday, 12 December Friday, 14 December | | |

"I am the good shepherd. I know my sheep and they know me."

John10:14

| FAITH FORMATION | EVENT | DATE | TIME & PLACE | RESPONSIBILITY |
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| | <p>Movie Nights</p> <p><i>These movie nights are not about viewing the latest blockbusters. Rather, we will be showing movies that have particular interest to Christians and have a message that reveals Jesus Christ to us in a powerful way.</i></p> | Friday, 26 January Friday, 16 February Friday, 16 March Friday, 20 April Friday, 18 May Friday, 15 June Friday, 20 July Friday, 17 August Friday, 21 September Friday, 19 October Friday, 16 November | Taupo: 7.00 pm Lent – No Movie night Lent – No Movie night Taupo: 7.00 pm | Pastrice Senior Lynn O'Shaunessy |
| | <p>Lenten Discussion Groups</p> <p><i>Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand has for many years provided Lenten discussion material for parish and school groups.</i></p> | Tuesday, 20 February Wednesday, 21 February <i>Then the following Tuesdays and Wednesdays of Lent.</i> | Taupo: 9.30 am Turangi: 9.30 am | Sandra Johns tbc |
| | <p>St Mark's Gospel</p> <p><i>At Sunday Mass this year we hear proclaimed the Gospel of Mark. This three week course offers a glimpse into the first and oldest of the Gospels.</i></p> | Thursday, 22 February Thursday, 1 March Thursday, 8 March | Taupo: 7.00 pm | Fr John Joliffe sm |

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| FAITH FORMATION | <p>Alpha</p> <p><i>In 2017 we ran the Alpha Course for the first time in our parish. It was a great success. So, we're running it again this year. The Alpha Course has its origins in the Anglican Church. However, because of its huge success it is now being used in the Catholic Church as well. Come and join us. You won't be disappointed.</i></p> | <p>Tuesday, 1 May</p> <p>Tuesday, 8 May</p> <p>Tuesday, 15 May</p> <p>Tuesday, 22 May</p> <p>Tuesday, 29 May</p> <p>Tuesday, 5 June</p> <p>Tuesday, 12 June</p> <p>Tuesday, 19 June</p> <p>Tuesday, 26 June</p> <p>Tuesday, 3 July</p> <p>Tuesday, 10 July</p> <p>Tuesday, 17 July</p> | Taupo: 7.00 pm | Alpha Team |
| | <p>RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)</p> <p><i>This programme runs for one year and is offered to those who wish to become Catholics.</i></p> | <p>Tuesday, 14 August</p> <p>Tuesday, 4 September</p> <p>Tuesday, 11 September</p> <p>Tuesday, 18 September</p> <p>Tuesday, 25 September</p> | Taupo: 7.00 pm | RCIA Team |

*"I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.
No one come to the Father except through me."*

John14:6

| FAITH FORMATION | EVENT | DATE | TIME & PLACE | RESPONSIBILITY |
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| | | RCIA | Tuesday, 16 October Tuesday, 23 October Tuesday, 30 October Tuesday, 6 November Tuesday, 13 November Tuesday, 20 November Tuesday, 27 November Tuesday, 4 December Tuesday, 11 December | Taupo: 7.00 pm |
| | <p>Apologetics <i>Is about explaining the Catholic Faith intelligently, clearly, accurately and logically.</i></p> <p>Back to the Basics 1 <i>Looking at the basics of our Faith.</i></p> <p>Back to the Basics 2 <i>See above.</i></p> <p>Back to the Basics 3 <i>See above.</i></p> | <p>Wednesday, 4 April Wednesday, 11 April Wednesday, 18 April</p> <p>Wednesday, 6 June Wednesday, 13 June Wednesday, 20 June</p> <p>Wednesday, 8 August Wednesday, 15 August Wednesday, 22 August</p> <p>Wednesday, 7 November Wednesday, 14 November Wednesday, 21 November</p> | Taupo: 7.00 pm | Colin Shirley |

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| SACRAMENTAL | <p>Parish Baptism Course <i>All parents who wish to have their children baptised are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Course (unless you have already completed one). The course is held on the first Thursday of the month and lasts for 90 minutes.</i></p> | <p>Thursday, 1 February Thursday, 1 March Thursday, 5 April Thursday, 3 May Thursday, 7 June Thursday, 5 July Thursday, 2 August Thursday, 6 September Thursday, 4 October Thursday, 1 November Thursday, 6 December</p> | Taupo: 7.00 pm | Monsignor Trevor |
| | <p>Parish Marriage Course <i>Couples preparing for marriage are required to attend a Marriage Preparation Course.</i></p> | As required. | | Peter & Ros Blank |
| | <p>Reconciliation, Confirmation & Eucharist</p> | To be announced. | To be announced. | Fr John Joliffe sm |

| SACRAMENTAL | EVENT | DATE | TIME & PLACE | RESPONSIBILITY |
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| | RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children) <i>The RCIC is offered to children at our school who have not yet been baptised. We write to parents inviting them to consider baptism for their children.</i> | Wednesday, 5 September Tuesday, 11 September Thursday, 13 September Friday, 14 September | Taupo: 7.00 pm Taupo: 10.00 am | Alison Carroll & Monsignor Trevor |
| | First Reconciliation, First Communion, & Confirmation Preparation <i>This is the next step on our children's faith journey that began with Baptism.</i> | Friday, 26 October Saturday, 27 October Sunday, 28 October | Taupo: 5.00 pm Taupo: 9.00 am Taupo: 9.00 am | Alison Carroll & Team |
| | | Tuesday, 6 November Thursday, 8 November Friday, 9 November | Taupo: 10.00 am | Alison Carroll & Monsignor Trevor |

*"I am the Bread of Life.
Whoever comes to me will never hunger; whoever believes in me will never thirst."*

John6:35

| YOUTH | EVENT | DATE | TIME & PLACE | RESPONSIBILITY |
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| | Youth Group (Yr 7 & Yr 8) Term One <i>Ministry to our youth is essential for our parish. We want them – we need them to feel ‘at home among us’; that they belong here with us</i> <i>This youth group is for those in Years 7 & 8.</i> | TERM ONE Friday, 16 February – Friday, 6 April: 5.30 pm | Taupo | Colin Shirley & Youth leaders |
| | Youth Group (Yr 9 – Yr 13) Term One <i>This youth group is for those at secondary school.</i> | TERM ONE Sunday, 18 February – Sunday, 8 April: 5.30 pm | Taupo | |
| | Youth Group (Yr 7 & Yr 8) Term Two | TERM TWO Friday, 4 May – Friday, 29 June: 5.30 pm | Taupo | |
| | Youth Group (Yr 9 – Yr 13) Term Two | TERM TWO Sunday, 6 May – Sunday, 1 July: 5.30 pm | Taupo | |
| | Youth Group (Yr 7 & Yr 8) Term Three | TERM THREE Friday, 27 July – Friday, 21 September: 5.30 pm | Taupo | |

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| | Youth Group (Yr 9 – Yr 13) Term Three | TERM THREE Sunday, 29 July – Sunday, 23 September: 5.30 pm | Taupo | Colin Shirley & Youth leaders |
| | Youth Group (Yr 7 & Yr 8) Term Four | TERM FOUR Friday, 19 October – Friday, 7 December: 5.30 pm | Taupo | |
| | Youth Group (Yr 9 – Yr 13) Term Four | TERM FOUR Sunday, 21 October – Sunday, 9 December: 5.30 pm | Taupo | |
| | Tongariro Prison Youth <i>Under the guidance of the prison chaplain we will be offering a presence to young prisoner.</i> | During the year | Turangi | Prison chaplain Colin Shirley |
| | Taupo & Turangi Colleges <i>Visiting the Principals of the Colleges to consider possibilities.</i> | Pending | tbc | Colin Shirley |
| | SetFree 2018 <i>A diocesan youth event for year 10-13 students and young adults.</i> | Friday, 23 March – Sunday, 25 March | Tokoroa | Diocesan Youth Team |

| SOCIAL JUSTICE | EVENT | DATE | TIME & PLACE | RESPONSIBILITY |
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| | Coats for the homeless <i>Thanks to a generous donation from a parishioner we have been able to purchase long coats for those in Taupo who live on the streets</i> | As required. | As required. | SJO Team |
| | Soup kitchen | To be confirmed | tbc | SJO Team SVDP |
| | Food van <i>Provide a mobile food service to the under-privileged.</i> | To be confirmed | tbc | SJO Team |
| | Tongariro Prison Remedial reading Volunteer work in the Catholic chaplaincy <i>Work under the director of the catholic chaplain with young offenders.</i> | During the year | | Prison chaplain Msgr Trevor Colin Shirley |

| SCHOOL | EVENT | DATE | TIME & PLACE | RESPONSIBILITY |
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| | Commissioning Mass <i>Our school/parish relationship is a vital and dynamic aspect of our church life. We have worked hard at this over the past two years. We hope that 2018 will likewise bear much fruit.</i> | Tuesday, 27 February | St mary's Church, Rotorua 6.00 pm | Bishop Steve & Catholic Integrated Schools' Office |
| | BOT <i>There are four members of the parish who have been appointed by the Bishop to be in representatives on the Board of Trustees</i> | Wednesday, 21 February Wednesday, 21 March Wednesday, 11 April Wednesday, 23 May Wednesday, 20 June Wednesday, 25 July Wednesday, 22 August Wednesday, 19 September Wednesday, 24 October Wednesday, 21 November Wednesday, 12 December | Board Room: 5.30 pm | BOT |
| | Class Visits | Wednesdays of each term | 9.00 am | Monsignor Trevor |
| | HUB Masses | Fridays in the Term | 12 noon | Teachers |
| | School Masses | See above, Liturgical | See above | See above |

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| PROJECTS 2018 | Repair and refurbishment of the graves Fr Jan de Bres & Sr Enda. | Completed | | Parish Pastoral Council |
| | Repair and refurbishment of the Pitiroi Statue | In progress | | Parish Pastoral Council |
| | Columbarium and grotto <i>The Parish Pastoral Council would like to develop the grotto area and erect a columbarium for the reposing of the ashes of loved ones.</i> | In planning stages | | Parish Pastoral Council |
| | Parish Planned Giving Programme (PPGP) <i>Encourage parishioners not yet enrolled in the PPGP to do so. Encourage those presently on the 'envelope system' to consider moving to automatic payments.</i> | March 2018 | Taupo Turangi | Parish Finance Council |