



parish of tongariro catholic



Name Tag Sunday

KEEP IN TOUCH

If you have a smart phone, our parish app is a great way to keep up to date with what's happening.



Just:

- go to your app store
- search for "tongariro catholic"
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Advent

PREACHING SERIES

Worth the Wait

1 st Sunday of Advent	29 Nov	<i>I Hear A Sound</i>
2 nd Sunday of Advent	6 Dec	<i>Faith Adventurers</i>
3 rd Sunday of Advent	13 Dec	<i>Name Tag Sunday</i>
4 th Sunday of Advent	20 Dec	<i>To Be Or Not To Be</i>



FAITH ADVENTURERS

is the name of our Confirmation & First Communion programme.

Our hope is that the children receiving the Sacraments today & their families will come to know Jesus Christ in a personal way and that our Catholic Faith will find a home in their lives.

Worth the Wait

Advent IS HERE

Each **ADVENT** we have the tradition of inviting parishioners to prepare **REVERSE ADVENT CALENDARS**. Starting from 1 December & every day

following until 24 December, those who would like to participate are asked to place a non-perishable food item/household item into a specially decorated box. Then on 24 December bring the box to the church. From all that is collected we will

prepare Christmas hampers to distribute to the poor and needy in the community.

This initiative has been most successful in the past and we hope that those who are able, will support the **REVERSE ADVENT CALENDARS** again in 2020.

ANOTHER SUGGESTION: If the Advent Calendar isn't your "thing", perhaps you'd prefer to purchase a **WAREHOUSE VOUCHER** which we can offer to families and individuals in need.

Thanks

COMMUNITY LUNCH

Christmas Celebration



WE INVITE parishioners to celebrate our **CHRISTMAS LUNCH** on Tuesday, 15 December at 1.00pm. There will be great food, wonderful fellowship and even some carol singing.

*Come & join us.
You are most welcome.*

Comprising the Churches & Communities of St Patrick, Taupō & St Joseph the Worker, Turangi



Christmas 2020 Schedule

Reconciliation Services (Confession)

Wednesday, 16 Dec | Turangi | 7pm

Thursday, 17 Dec | Taupō | 7pm

Christmas Vigil Masses

Thursday, 24 Dec | Turangi | Carols – 4.30pm | Mass – 5pm

Thursday, 24 Dec | Taupō | Carols – 7.30pm | Mass – 8pm

NO MIDNIGHT MASS

Christmas Day Mass

Friday, 25 Dec | Taupō | Carols – 8.30am | Mass – 9am

Boxing Day Mass

Saturday, 26 Dec | Taupō | 9am

New Year's Day Mass

Thursday, 31 Dec | Taupō | Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament | 6pm–12midnight

Friday, 1 Jan | Turangi | 9am

Friday, 1 Jan | Taupō | 12noon

Our Faith Adventurers 2020

Bethané Marunui

Lily Marunui

St Joseph

St Joan of Arc

Rosario Marunui

Te Hoka Wanikau

St Michael

St Te Hoka o te Rangi

*“Be sealed with the Gift
of the Holy Spirit. Peace be with you.”*

CONFIRMATION DURING MASS

- ❖ Gathering Song
- ❖ Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

- ❖ 1st Reading
- ❖ Responsorial Psalm
- ❖ Gospel Acclamation
- ❖ Gospel

LITURGY OF CONFIRMATION

- ❖ Presentation of the Candidates

- ❖ Homily
- ❖ Renewal of Baptismal Promises
- ❖ Laying on of Hands
- ❖ Anointing with Chrism
- ❖ General Intercessions

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- ❖ Candidates will receive Holy Communion before the congregation

T O OUR CHILDREN IN TURANGI

Well done & congratulations on being CONFIRMED & receiving your FIRST HOLY COMMUNION. Our prayer is that you will continue to grow as disciples of Christ and lovers of Jesus.

*Monsignor Trevor &
the Parish leadership Team*

T HANKS TO CASS ADAMS, FIONA MANNINGTON

& their team for organising and implementing our recent daytime **ALPHA** course. Encouraging and inspiring the participants each week takes time and energy. Thank you so much for taking on this ministry and making the **ALPHA** course to the mums in our parish.

WATCH THIS SPACE:

Cass & Fiona have lots of ideas for **ALPHA 2021** ... More exciting times ahead!

**T HANKS TO LESLEY MCINTOSH & DANI CLUNIE**

for running the crèche and taking great care of the children while their mums were attending **ALPHA**.

*Monsignor Trevor &
the Parish leadership Team*



NAME TAG SUNDAY

Hello
my name is

I can hear you thinking:

WHAT'S HE UP TO NOW?

AWESOME!

You may not be aware of this, but, our Parish of Tongariro Catholic, is well known in the Hamilton Diocese and in other parts of New Zealand, for being:

- ❖ DYNAMIC
- ❖ HOSPITABLE
- ❖ INCLUSIVE
- ❖ WELCOMING

This doesn't happen **BY CHANCE!**

Lots of work, by many people, has been going on for a number of years to bring us to this point.

This didn't just happen – it was **INTENTIONAL.**

It started five years ago when we set up the CAFÉ in St Patrick's Church. This was and continues to be, a HUGE SUCCESS. So many parishioners stay behind after Sunday Mass to share food, fun and fellowship.

In 2017, we made the BRAVE DECISION to reduce the Sunday Mass schedule from two Masses in Taupo to just one Sunday Mass; and to move the Vigil Mass on Saturday evening to Turangi.

Not everyone was happy! It was unfortunate that some parishioners stopped practising the Faith.

However, the GOOD NEWS is that we have been actively promoting a sense of COMMUNITY at the the Sunday 9am Mass. And it's working! People notice it! It's tangible.

2018 saw the phrase

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appear on the sanctuary wall, in the parish newsletter & on all our publicity materials. This has been a talking point among parishioners and visitors alike.

Back to **NAME TAG SUNDAY**.

I bet that, for everyone in this church today, there is at least one person whom you have seen, next to whom you have sat, or to whom you have spoken or offered the sign of peace on a Sunday, but DO NOT KNOW THAT PERSON'S NAME.

This is what **NAME TAG SUNDAY** is all about. It gives you the opportunity to get to know the name of at least ONE other parishioner.

Like the strategies mentioned above, we want to be **INTENTIONAL** about this. More about this at Mass on Sunday!

Some parishioners may see this initiative as another of these "cutsie pie fads".

ON THE OTHER HAND, if one parishioner gets to know the name of one other person in the parish –

WHAT A GREAT STEP FORWARD!

Shoeboxes for Christmas



Look at this fantastic initiative by the children at St Patrick's School who have prepared Christmas boxes for the children of needy families. These will be delivered to the Food Banks in Taupō & Turangi for distribution.

THANKS!!

**ST PATRICK'S CAFÉ 1PM
SUNDAY 20 DECEMBER**

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

**Come and join us
for a Pot-Luck
Christmas Lunch.
Everyone is
welcome.**



THIS WEEK
Sunday, 13 December
NO RCIA SESSION TODAY

Tuesday, 15 December
COMMUNITY LUNCH
CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION
All are welcome.
 Taupō | 1pm

Wednesday, 16 December
NO DEPTH CHARGE CONNECT

The next Depth Charge meetings will be at the beginning of February 2021. You will have plenty of pondering and praying time over Christmas and New Year. God bless. The Hancocks

DAYTIME ALPHA

Café | 10am

ROSARY

Turangi | 11.30am

Taupō | 7.00pm

Thursday, 17 December
ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Let's prepare well for Christmas.

Taupō | 7.00pm

ENDURANCE CONNECT

Men's Group

Taupō | 7.00pm

Friday, 18 December
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

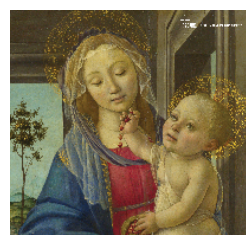
Taupō | 3pm

Saturday, 19 December
CAROL SINGING

All are welcome.

Taupō | 11am–12noon

NOTICES
COLUMBIAN CALENDARS



Are now available, purchase from beside the bookstall \$12 each

SVDP CHRISTMAS CARDS

\$3.50 per pack (5 cards per pack) OR
 \$10 for 3 packs.



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MASS & RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil: Turangi, 5.00 pm

Sunday: Taupō, 9.00 am

Weekdays

Monday: Taupō, 7.00 pm

Tuesday: Taupō, 9.00 am

Wednesday: Turangi, 12 noon

Thursday: Taupō, 9.00 am

Friday: Taupō, 12 noon

Saturday: Taupō, 9.00 am

Public Holidays

Taupō, 9.00 am

Reconciliation (Confession)

Turangi, Wed., after Mass

Taupō, Saturday, 9.30 am