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Mass Schedule for October 2026

Thu. 01. <i>Feria</i>	No Mass
Fri. 02. <i>Holy Guardian Angels (1st Fri.)</i>	19:00 Mass, followed by Adoration until Midnight
Sat. 03. <i>St. Therese (1st Sat.)</i>	8:00 Mass, followed by Benediction and Rosary
Sun. 04. 19th Sunday after Pentecost	Mass at 9:00 Mass in Hamilton 14:30
Mon. 05. <i>Feria</i>	6:00 Mass
Tue. 06. <i>St. Bruno</i>	No Mass
Wed. 07. <i>Feast of the Most Holy Rosary</i>	No Mass
Thu. 08. <i>St. Bridget</i>	No Mass
Fri. 09. <i>St. John Leonardi</i>	19:00 Mass
Sat. 10. <i>St. Francis Borgia</i>	8:00 Mass
Sun. 11. 20th Sunday after Pentecost	Mass at 9:00 Mass in Whangarei 14:30
Mon. 12. <i>Feria</i>	6:00 Mass
Tue. 13. <i>St. Edward</i>	No Mass
Wed. 14. <i>St. Callistus</i>	No Mass
Thu. 15. <i>St. Theresa of Avila</i>	No Mass
Fri. 16. <i>St. Hedwig</i>	19:00 Mass
Sat. 17. <i>St. Margaret Mary Alacoque</i>	8:00 Mass
Sun. 18. 21th Sunday after Pentecost	Mass at 9:00 Mass in Hamilton 14:30
Mon. 19. <i>St. Peter of Alcantara</i>	6:00 Mass
Tue. 20. <i>St. John Cantius</i>	No Mass
Wed. 21. <i>Feria</i>	No Mass
Thu. 22. <i>Feria</i>	No Mass
Fri. 23. <i>St. Anthony Mary Claret</i>	19:00 Mass
Sat. 24. <i>St. Raphael the Archangel</i>	8:00 Mass
Sun. 25. Feast of Christ the King	Mass at 9:00, followed by Procession
Mon. 26. <i>Feria</i>	6:00 Mass
Tue. 27. <i>Feria</i>	No Mass
Wed. 28. <i>Sts. Simon and Jude</i>	No Mass
Thu. 29. <i>Feria</i>	No Mass
Fri. 30. <i>Feria</i>	19:00 Mass
Sat. 31. <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	8:00 Mass

October is the month of the Holy Rosary, and the Church encourages us to take up this prayer with renewed piety and confidence. The Rosary brings us to Mary, the Mother of mercy, who is always ready to assist us, especially in what concerns our eternal salvation. Full of grace and closer to Christ than any other creature, she pours out upon her children the graces with which God has so abundantly enriched her.

But the Rosary is more than the repetition of prayers. Every Hail Mary recalls Mary's dignity and her unique union with the work of our Redemption. At the same time, the mysteries place before us the life of Our Lord: His joys and sorrows, His humiliations and triumphs, His virtues, His Passion and His glory.

This meditation is essential to Christian life. The saints made the life and sufferings of Christ the principal object of their study. The martyrs found strength in meditating upon His wounds. Our Lady herself continually pondered the mysteries of her Son, from His birth at Bethlehem to His Passion and death. Meditation, therefore, is not something reserved for priests and religious. Every Christian must imitate Christ, and to imitate Him we must know Him. Surrounded each day by spiritual dangers, we need to arm ourselves by frequently considering His life, virtues and sufferings.

The Rosary is wonderfully suited to this purpose because it engages the whole person. Its body is the vocal prayer; its soul is meditation upon the mysteries. The words and the meditation belong together. Through sensible words and images, the Rosary raises our minds to spiritual realities, to Christ and ultimately to God and eternity.

Therefore, we should not merely say the Rosary, but truly pray it. As each mystery begins, Christ Himself is placed before us. We can approach Him with the prayer of the Gospel: "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me." Through the Rosary, Mary leads us to contemplate her Son, to imitate Him, and to seek with greater confidence the eternal life for which He redeemed us.

General Information

Legion of Mary Meetings are held every Saturday after Mass. Visitors are welcome. (Please contact Geoff Dale if you are interested.)

Adult Catechism is scheduled for every Sunday, starting 10 minutes after mass, unless otherwise noted. Classes will be given by Fr. Lipp, and they are recommended for everyone, especially those new to the faith or to tradition. Currently, there is no scheduled catechism class for children. Please approach Fr. Lipp if you have children who need to prepare for the Sacraments, and we will arrange catechism and testing.

Sick Calls can be arranged to happen every 2-4 weeks. Please contact Fr. Lipp if you want to arrange a sick call for a family member or friend or if you know of a sick parishioner who has not been able to come to mass for more than two weeks.

Extreme Unction should be given whenever there is a reasonable danger of death from some disease or an internal cause. Please consult the pastor early along, as this sacrament can often aid in physical healing. Contact the pastor ideally before any immediate risk of death to arrange to receive this anointing.

Sacramental Emergencies: If a parishioner is in *immediate danger of death* call Fr. Lipp immediately at +64 21-045 8558 and leave a message, clearly indicating the nature of the emergency, your name, and the name of the person in danger of death. If no response, call +64 6-281 3976 (Whanganui Emergency Number).

Baptism: Contact the Pastor well before the due date of any children. Children should be Baptized as soon as possible, and parents cannot be excused from serious sin if they delay more than a month.

Confirmation is usually offered in August or December once every 1-2 years. Contact the pastor to arrange classes well in advance of the bishops' visit.

Marriages must be arranged with the pastor at least 6-12 months before the proposed date of marriage to allow for instruction and a canonical investigation. No date can be set until after the investigation is complete.

Blessing of Religious Items on Sundays after Mass (just before catechism) Please bring your smaller items to the sacristy. Larger items like vehicles can be blessed after catechism.