

TOKOTORUTANGA TAPU**The Holy Trinity.****Miha Māori kei Te Unga Waka
ia Rātapu ia Rātapu 11^{am}****Weekday Mass 12 midday****Monday to Friday****Sacrament of Reconciliation****[Confession / Penance]****After weekday Mass****or before if there's time.****POPE FRANCIS PRAYER****INTENTION FOR MAY****Horahia te Rongo Pai****Evangelisation****Mission of the Laity**

That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today. Ehara mā te Pirihi anake tēnei mahi. Kaua e pēnei ōu whakaaro he tāngata iti ahau. Your example of goodness and kindness could be a more powerful mission statement to your children than any Preacher

HE AITUA

KINGI ERUERA TAURUA kua mate i te Taite, he passed away i te mate pukupuku (cancer), at the age of 80. Well known for his full facial moko he was an influential figure ready to stand up to politicians or anyone else who belittled his people. Born in 1937 at Oro māhoe, he spoke on behalf of Ngāti Kawa, Ngāti Rāhiri, Ngāti Rēhua, Ngāti Whātua and Ngāpuhinuitonu. After a funeral service in West Auckland his whānau have taken him back to lie at Te Tii Marae Waitangi. *Haere e te reo o Ngāpuhi. Haere ki Paerau ki te huinga o te Kahurangi.*

JOHN MOORFIELD passed away on Saturday 19th May. Well known by his Maori name of Te Murumāra, John taught Maori language at St Stevens and for 23 years at Waikato University. Ahakoa he Pākeha he was honoured as a champion of reo Maori and produced a famous series of books as an aid to learning, Te Whanake *The first shoots*, Te Kākano *The Seed*, Te Māhuri *The Sapling*, Te Pihinga *The growth*, Te Kōhuretanga. He was given a Poroporoaki at Te Kohinga Marama Waikato University. He was buried at Te Kauwhata on Friday. *Haere*

John, Te Murumaara. E moe i roto i te Karaiti. Haere haere haere

GIRLIE PEITA (née **LEEF**) passed away in her home in Tautoro. The tangi was at Waimirirangi and she was laid to rest in the Urupa below Sam Leef's place on Wednesday. She was only the second burial there. Pā Henare blessed this urupā for Sam some years ago. *Haere e te whaea Haere ki te okiokinga ki te wā kāinga.*

RONGO MAKARA passed away on Wednesday 16th May. She was a very busy person who was on the Motuti Trust and did a lot of work on behalf of the people in the Forestry around Hokianga. She was just 55. Her tangi was at Te Iringa, just out of Kaikohe. Her Panguru and Motuti family put in a strong tono for her body, but were unsuccessful. The Funeral was on Monday and she was buried with her karanga mama at the cemetery which is by the church there. *Haere e whae ki te kāinga tūturu haere haere haere.*

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH

Remembered and prayed for at Mass at Te Unga Waka on the anniversary days.

28th May - Te Paeru Tamariki, Sonny

Swaanenbeck, Christine White

29th May - Patrick Mendes snr 50th

anniv. **Patrick**, his brothers **Samuel, Michael, Joseph, Nicholas**, his sister **Rosie Noa: Kathleen Mendes** née **Hancy** her sister **Martha Harris** brothers **William** and **Francis** and their wives **Rosie** and **Winnie** and the **Mendes** children **Robert, Jane Hotere, Amelia Rudolph, Regina, Joseph**. Laurence son of Pat and Joy, and their daughter-in-law **Angela Wright, Noakes** whanau **Herbert**: the **Noa** whanau **William, Rose, Nicholas, Theodore**.

4th June - Fr. Frank Shanahan, Hoana Topia (née *Te Wake*)

5th June - Gerry Collins & Alana

7th June - Tikihuia Hotere, Joe Brown,

karanga matua of Pā Tony

INOINGA MŌ NGĀ TŪRORO

Pā Anton Timmerman, Pā David Whelan, Pā Sean O'Brien, Pā Tony Brown, King Tuheitia, Tony Zac Smith, Agnes Cherrington, Anna Haines, Arahi Ashby, Basil Brown, Bella Wade, Bernard Hotere, Bubby Mokaraka, Boss Pomare, Carol King, Cherish Pomare, Christine Lewis, Chum Murphy, Dave Toia, David Brown, David Puckey, David Robinson, Dawn Hawke, Delia Tinklin, Derek Carmichael, Des-Chanel Toalepai, Eve Gallen, Gemma Leef, George and Dot Houghton, George Stephens, Gloria Nightingale, Grace Henry, Henry Tepania, Hēmi and Hine-Mei, Hilda Tumata, Hine Wikaira, Hone Mautairi, Janet Greeks, John Te Pania, **Joseph Tepania***, Joe Te Whiu, Joe Morunga, John Hancy, John Moynihan, Judy

Rogers, Kaleb Savelio Thompson, Katarina Jamieson, Kevin O'Brien, Labby Matthews, Lawrence Kelly, Liam Dargaville, Lorraine Knutson, Lorraine Sutherland, Louise Katene-Riwhi and sister Joy, Margaret Paparua, Marie Louise, Margaret (Irene) Stinninato, Martha Henry, Martha London, Martha Perham, Martin Hoani, Matthew Brown, Maria Clarke, Matthew Hoani, Maudie Harris, Maudie Puku, Mere Harris, Moana MacDonald, Moka Te Wake, Monica Manaena, Monica Te Hira, Nan & Pearl, Nan Thomas, Nikau Gardiner, Patricia Millar, Paul Hughes, Paul London, Paul Tukere, Pauline Matiu, Percy Davis, Peter Peita, Phyllis Pomare, Reg Dargaville, Rewa Lepper, Robert Tuiloma, Rose Jacobs, Selina Cummings (née Peita), Sorra Matchit, Stephen Dawson, Talia Mereana Tepania, Tamara Grace, Teresa Morris, Teresa Rerekura, Tina & Allen Francis, Tom Hurst, Tom Tepania, Trevor Ellery, Ulalia Kaio, Urania Peita, Vincent Martin and Wesley Henry. ***Joe is back in his home making gradual recovery from his heart surgery. He thanks you for all the prayers.**

KATEKITA COURSE

To learn (or revise) Katekita ministry and roles. They assist with and organize Sunday Masses, Baptisms, Communion to the sick and dying and Funeral services with the appropriate himene and karakia.

The first meeting took place on Wednesday 16th May But you may still join the group for the next meeting of the 10 week course which is on Wednesday this week Dates as follows:

Wednesday 30th May 7^{pm} - 9^{pm}

June 6th & 27th / July 11th & 25th /

August 8th & 2nd / Sept 5th & 19th

Tutors, Pā Pere Bernard Dennehy, Rangi Davis and Wiremu Smith, sanctioned by Bishop Patrick Dunn and with his blessing.

Cost: \$10 per night towards handouts and end of programme commissioning.

Please send your names and contacts to register either with: Rangi Davis:

rangi.davis@gmail.com or

Wiremu.smith@sus.co.nz

2018 Bishop's Forums

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Welcome all to Bishop Pat's meetings

On Youth and Faith

Parish Priests & Parishioners especially Pastoral Councillors, Youth Pastoral Workers,

Ethnic Community Members, Everyone!

This Sunday 27th May at St. Columba Centre, Ponsonby

The next hui is **Morning 10am - Saturday 11 August at St Therèse, Moerewa**

How to answer unwelcome pick-up lines

Haven't I seen you somewhere before?

Yes. That's why I don't go there anymore

TUHITUHI TAPU TUATAHITiuteronomi 4^{32-34,39-40}

Moses spoke to the people of Israel, “When the LORD your God brought you out of the land of Egypt, you saw how he fought for you and showed you his great power by performing terrifying miracles. You became his people, and at Mount Sinai you heard him talking to you out of the fiery flames. And yet you are alive! Has anything like this happened since the time God created human beings? No matter where you go or who you ask, you will get the same answer. No one has ever heard of any other god even trying to do such things as the LORD your God has done for you. So remember that the LORD is the only true God, whether in the sky above or on the earth below. Today I am explaining his laws and teaching. And if you always obey them, you and your descendants will live long and be successful in the land the LORD is giving you. Ko te kupu a te Ariki.

WAIATA WHAKAUTU 32 / 33

Ka hari te iwi kua whiriwhiria e te Ariki, hei taonga tupu mōna Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

The LORD is truthful: he can be trusted. He loves justice and fairness, and he is kind to

everyone, everywhere on earth. ***Ka hari te iwi ...***

As soon as he spoke, the world was created; at his command the earth was formed. ***Ka hari te iwi***

The LORD watches over all who honour him and trust his kindness. He protects them from death and starvation. *R.* You make our hearts glad because we trust you the only God. Be kind and bless us, we depend on you. *R.*

TUHITUHI TAPU TUARUAReta ki Roma 8¹⁴⁻¹⁸

Only those people who are led by God’s Spirit are his children. God’s Spirit does not make us slaves who are afraid of him. Instead, we become his children and call him our Father. God’s Spirit makes us sure that we are his children. His Spirit lets us know that, together with Christ, we will be given what God has promised. We will also share in the glory of Christ because we have suffered with him. Ko te kupu a te Ariki **Whakamoemiti ki te Atua.**

Areruia, areruia, areruia, areruia: Korōria ki te Matua, ki te Tamaiti, ki te Wairua Tapu; he pērā hoki i te tīmatanga, he pērā anō ināianei, ā, he pērā tonu āke āke. Areruia ...

RONGO PAIMatiu Ūpoko 28¹⁶⁻²⁰

Na, ka haere ngā ākongā kotahi tekau mā tahi ki Karireā, ki te maunga i

whakaritea e Hēhu ki a rātou. Ā, to rātou kitenga i ā ia, ka koropiko ki ā ia, ko ētahi i pōhēhē ki ā ia. Na, ka whakatata mai a Hēhu, ka kōrero ki a rātou, ka mea, “Kua homai katoa ki a au te mana i te rangi i te whenua. Na, haere koutou, whakaakona ngā iwi katoa. Iriiria rātou ki te ingoa o te Matua me te Tamaiti me te Wairua Tapu. Ākona rātou kia whakaritea ngā mea katoa i whakahaua e ahau ki a koutou. Ā, tēnei ahau i a koutou i ngā rā katoa, tae noa ki te mutunga o te ao. Ko te Rongo Pai a te Ariki. **Kia whakanuia rā koe e te Ariki e Hēhu Karaiti**

HOLY GOSPELMatthew Ch. 28¹⁶⁻²⁰

Jesus’ eleven disciples went to a mountain in Galilee, where Jesus had told them to meet him. They saw and worshipped him; but some of them doubted. Jesus came to them and said, “I have been given authority in heaven and on earth! Go to the people of all nations and make them my disciples. Baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to do everything I have told you. I will be with you always, even until the end of the world.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Trinity Sunday**Deuteronomy**4^{32ff}**Psalms** 33 / 32**Romans** 8. 14-17**Matthew** 28.16-20

Tēnā koutou e te whānau. Haere mai Peka mai ki tēnei wāhi o te rangimarie. Haere mai ki te whakarongo ki te kupu a te Atua. Come aside from the busy world and meditate on the word of God. Today some readings are put before us so that we can think about the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit - e kiia nei e tātou Te Terinita arā Ko te Tokotorutanga. A special Sunday has been set aside for this profession of faith, so that we can reflect upon its mystery. We make the sign of the Cross a dozen times a day. It becomes a reflex action The arm does it often before the brain catches on.

It was very nice to see the sign of the Cross repeated several times during the Royal Wedding of Harry and Meghan last week. Each of the ministers said their special prayers and then sealed them, as it were, with the support of the Holy Trinity, Almighty God.

I encourage anyone who is present at my house when

we say the evening prayer to bless each other as we come to the final prayer. You don't have to be a theologian to do it with meaning.

It is good to look at the Apostles Creed, which we profess every Sunday, a creed that has been divided into three parts:

The first part starts with 'I believe in God the Father, creator of heaven and earth'. I don't think there is one human being on earth, who will say, that he/she created him/herself. On the contrary, each and everyone will acknowledge that in the end life is a gift. No parents will ever say, that they created their children, though they brought them into the world. They never knew what kind of child was going to be born to them. Yet we do not just call God our Creator, but Our Father. That is beautiful, but it can also be very dangerous. It could mean, that before God we always want to remain babies, refusing to grow up, refusing in the end to be responsible for ourselves and for others. But a Father, who does not allow his children to grow up and become adults, is more like

a slave—owner than a father.

If we do call God Father, then we must always remember, that in the first place He is the father of Jesus. And that is where the second part of the Creed comes in: 'And in Jesus Christ his only Son', and everything that follows after that. And what a grown-up and committed person Jesus was! I don't know, what sort of image, what sort of ideas you have about being a son or daughter of God, but if it just means being sweet and pious, then we have the wrong notion all together. And if we imagine a God somewhere up in heaven, quite happy with himself and with heaven and only looking occasionally sideways to what is happening amongst us, or just on a Sunday to see whether we came to church and receive our homage and prayers, then we do believe in the wrong God, not the Christian God. In what he said or did, the way he lived and died, Jesus showed, what being a son or daughter means. And if we ask ourselves, how did he do it, then we have to look at the third part of the Creed: 'And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life,' who sets Jesus in motion at His

baptism, who builds up that new community on earth. When we hear the gospel today and hear Our Lord say: ‘Go and baptize them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit’ then indeed Matthew is saying, that people are invited and allowed to share in the Kingdom of God, with all the privileges and responsibilities that go with it, to be for people, what God is for people, a father, a son or daughter, a spirit—filling and spirit-filled person. It also shows that believing in the Trinity is not just a matter of believing in something we don’t understand, but of living the Trinity, of being open to others, just as the Father is open to the Son, the Son to the Spirit, the Spirit to both, and all three to the world. I suppose, that is why it remains the most important teaching of the Church, the most important, because it shows us, how we should live on earth.

We need to guard against the notion that the Holy Trinity is a mysterious formula or dogma. .. so intricate and perplexing that it’s only intelligible to theologians.

It’s not a spell; it’s a recognition that of the enfolding care for us of God

as a loving Father and the believer knows it is through Jesus that we have been adopted in Baptism and the Spirit of Father and Son also gives us light and inspiration.

It’s not easy to but in words the idea of three in one and one in Three. Plurality and Unity etc but I’d rather have little Ella’s explanation when, aged 5 she came back from school and told everyone she had found out who God is. “In the name of the Father - that’s God the Father, in the name of the Son, that’s Jesus and of the Holy Ghost, that’s the Spirit, and Amen is nobody

Christopher Columbus had a tremendous devotion to the Blessed Trnity. He invoked the Trinity at the beginning of every enterprise and everything he wrote began with the words “In the name of the Most Holy Trinity.” On his third voyage in 1598 he vowed to consecrate to the Trinity the first land that he would discover; and hence, the Island he reached was called Trinidad - Ki te Ingoa o te Matua o te Tamaiti o te Wairua Tapu.