



Te Tari Ā Motu Mō Ngā Ritenga
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Aotearoa New Zealand Ordo 2017

The NZ Ordo 2017 is available and orders are being taken. Contact Ramona Cortes, NLO Liturgy Assistant (rcortes@nzcbc.org.nz).

The Door of Mercy remains open

On September 1st, Pope Francis declared that care for creation will be added to both the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. For more information on the new works of mercy follow the link <http://tinyurl.com/NewWorksOfMercy>.

Regarding Guidelines for Burial and Conservation of Ashes in the case of Cremation

The Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith has reminded the Church that our Catholic practice is to treat a person's ashes as we would the body, that is, with care and reverence (<http://tinyurl.com/CDFburial>). In response, our NZ Catholic Bishops offer this statement to the Church in New Zealand <http://tinyurl.com/NZCBburial>.

Cardinal Dew appointed to Congregation for Divine Worship

Pope Francis has named Cardinal John Dew of Wellington to the Congregation for Divine

Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments. The Vatican announced this appointment on October 28. This is the congregation that deals with liturgical questions and the celebration of the Sacraments.

Commemorating 500 years since the Reformation – Hymn for Christian Unity


Br Michael Herry fms and Tricia Walsh have just released their newly composed *Hymn for Christian Unity: That They May Be One*. The sheet music and audio are free to download through the link. Please acknowledge public use via your usual church music copyright licenses.

<http://www.maristmusic.org.au/hymn-for-christian-unity/>

The Epiphany Blessing – Marking Homes with Blessed Chalk for the New Year

This ancient rite is a beautiful way of incorporating the liturgical feast of the Epiphany as a domestic ritual into the prayer life of the family. The ancient custom of marking the doors of each home with blessed chalk is an opportunity for parents and children to ask God's blessing on their home at the start of the New Year. This blessing can be found in the September 2016 Issue of Liturgy News (Vol 46 No 3)

“Liturgy is at the heart of who we are as the Body of Christ, alive and present in these islands of Aotearoa, New Zealand.” (The Liturgical Year, Inos Biffi, Liturgy Training Publications 2009)



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Some useful resources:

Readings for Year A Reo Māori available

Readings for Year A, Reo Māori anake or Bi-lingual version are available as hot-bound copy from Pa Mikaere Ryan MHM at \$10.00 a copy. Email pamikaere@clear.net.nz

Living Liturgy – Music during the Season of Advent

Living Liturgy, from the Diocese of Sales, provides resources such as liturgical music, prayer and information to enhance our Sunday Celebrations. Follow the link for music resources during the Season of Advent. A link to the current Season is also always available on the NLO homepage. <http://tinyurl.com/LivingLiturgyAdvent>.

Looking for some good Advent ideas?

Follow the Pinterest link for various prayers, activities, and other resources that you can do or use for inspiration this Advent. <https://nz.pinterest.com/smorsj/advent/>

Bambinelli Sunday

Founders of the Catholic Grandparents Association encourage parishes, schools and families to have their "Bambinelli" blessed on the third Sunday of Advent <http://tinyurl.com/BambinelliSunday2016>.

Up From the Waters – Lenten 2017 Programme

This is a Lenten resource for 2017, which includes Gospel reflections written by Fr Tony Chiera and Dr Paul McFarland. For more information and to order visit www.lentprogram.com.

For RCIA – At Home with God's People

This is an excellent resource for anyone seeking to learn about the teachings of the Catholic Church – from a catechumen on the journey to baptism to a teacher seeking a concise reference text about Catholicism. This book provides reflections, prayers, scripture references and information on various topics. For more information www.ahwgp.com.



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