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.RĀTAPU TEKAU MĀ RIMA O TE WĀ NOA O TE TAU 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Miha Māori kei Te Unga Waka Ia Rātapu ia Rātapu 11am

### **Pope Francis:** Countering "Fake News"

Lord make us instruments of your peace. Help us to recognize the evil latent in a communication that does not build communion.

Help us to remove the venom from our judgements.

Help us to speak about others as our brothers and sisters.

You are faithful and trustworthy; may our words be seeds of goodness for the world: Where there is shouting let us practice listening:

Where there is confusion, let us inspire harmony:

Where there is **ambiguity**, let us bring **clarity**: Where there is exclusion, let us offer solidarity:

Where there is sensationalism, let us use

Where there, is superficiality, let us raise real questions:

Where there is prejudice, let us awaken trust; Where there is **hostility**, let us **bring respect**; Where there is falsehood let us bring truth.

[This great message will be repeated from time to time in Te Unga Waka news and let us include it in our family Karakia Ahiahi]

#### ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH

Remembered at Mass at Te Ūnga Waka on the anniversary days.

15<sup>th</sup> July - Hohepa Topia

19<sup>th</sup> July - Eliza Howard, Paul Joseph Matthews, Paul Fanning.

20th July - Ned Wihone

21<sup>st</sup> July - Tui Swaanenbeck. 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Stephen Wicks

#### FOR THOSE WITH EMAIL ADDRESSES

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#### HE AITUA

JUDY ALBERT néé Tepania passed away at home in Christchurch last Monday from a heart attack. Daughter in law of Winiata and Maria - Many of the family travelled to help her 4 children during this sad time. Annie Roberts Rakena was took along a supply of the purple Tangihanga booklets to use during

the tangi and funeral service on Thursday at the Christchurch Memorial Cemetery. Where she was laid to rest quite near to George Tepania. Haere ki te wā kāinga, the true home. Haere haere haere.

#### ĪNOI 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 Lorraine Knutson, Lorraine Sutherland, Louise Katene-Riwhi and sister Joy, Margaret Paparoa, Marie Louise, Margaret (Irene) Stinninato, Martha Henry, Martha Lundon, 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 Lundon, Paul Tukere, Pauline Matiu, Percy Davis, Peter Peita, Phyllis Pomare, Reg Dargaville, Rewa Lepper, Robert Tuiloma, Rose Jacobs, Selina Cummings (néé 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

News from Rangi and Kingi Davis as they travel with young Kingi and his family through Europe. Two recent emails from France played soccer last night in Rangi: the semi finals and we are in a little town in France and people are going crazy when they beat Belgium: crackers, horns tooting, drunks running all over the road. They caused my son Kingi and his wife to go off the road and then they attacked them. Little Kingi got a beer bottle smashed over his head when he tried to talk to them - so they just jumped back into their car and fled for their life. Another man was sitting in his car and the same hooligans were trying to tip his car over with him in it. However after the storm calmed down, they are safe, but a bit shaken from the experience.

On Friday we travel to Switzerland where Kingi and I give a 3 hour talk on death and dying to 50 people: A Maori perspective. We gave one in Germany to 30 people with an interpreter last week. Have to talk slow ... Arohanui nā māua ko Kingi, Rangi.

#### KATEKITA COURSE CONTINUES

7 Remaining dates at Te Unga Waka:

Wednesdays

July 25<sup>th</sup> Aug 8<sup>th</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> When the tenth week comes, we will have a commissioning at our Sunday Mass 11am led by Bishop Pat 16th September.

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COUPLES MARRIED 1-5 YEARS Here is an opportunity to take time out from the busyness of life to nurture your marriage and revisit key areas of relationship - Intimacy, Communication & Conflict. Date: Sunday Time:  $1^{pm}$ -4.30 $^{pm}$ 5th August Pompallier Centre, 30 New Street, St. Mary's Bay, Auckland Cost: \$20.00 per couple To register please email: Sandra Armstrong, Marriage Programmes Coordinator sandraa@cda.org.nz

#### PRIESTLY ORDINATIONS SATURDAY, 4<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 11.30<sup>am</sup> AT THE CATHEDRAL

Bishop Pat will ordain Deacon Anthony Trenwith and Deacon Tony King-Archer as priests. Haere mai ki te tautoko

# Pateriki, Pihopa o Akarana

¶A beautiful poster is on our Notice Board

#### CLARIFICATION

A greetings email from Brother Denis and Fr. Frank Bird couldn't be downloaded fully. It can now be filled out with the aid of a report in this week's NZ Catholic by Laura McLellan. Laura was a student at Marist (Mt Albert) and is now doing missionary work in Ranong, one of Thailand's southern provinces. She became a volunteer with the Marist Asia Foundation community in Ranong, teaching English and Social Studies to Burmese migrants. The Marists see education as a vital catalyst in breaking the cycle of poverty, so that the Burmese migrants can look for better work than in factories where work begins at 5<sup>am</sup> and finishes often well past 7 pm - standard wage \$12-14 per day. Find out more from:

www.maristasiafoundation.org/currentfundraising-campaign

#### IWI MĀORĪ KATORIKA **HUI KI WHANGAREI**

This week's copy of NZ Catholic also reports Strengthening mana Māori in the Church.

With a photo of the participants

The Hui held on June 23rd at St. Francis Xavier church was a follow-on from the hui at Whaiora 7 months ago. The hui drew 40 families from northern parishes as well as from Tāmaki. After pōwhiri and mihimihi, the hui hosts, Cameron Muriwai and Martha Dawson shared their "Jesus in action" steps which the Whangarei ropū carry out.

It was an impressive presentation, said Pā Dennehy. Next step is a steering committee to be formed to work toward a Katorika Māori Kaunihera. Nominations for the steering committe close August 1st.

#### **AUCKLAND PRIESTS' RETREAT**

The first of the annual Retreats for clergy began last Sunday at St Francis Retreat Centre, led by Fr. Mark Chamberlain of Dunedin Diocese. Inspiration was drawn from Pope Francis' book Gaudete et Jubilate. Pa Mikaere only lasted till Monday evening when the flu/sore-throat symptoms made him go home to bed.

Turoro: Doctor, doctor what is good for excessive wind?

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Doctor: A Kite perhaps.

# **Readings for 15th Sunday Ordinary Time** Year B

TUHITUHI TAPU TUATAHI

Upoko 7<sup>12-15</sup> Amoho Poropiti Then Amaziah told me, "Amos, take your visions and get out! Go back to Judah and earn your living there as a prophet. Don't do any more preaching at Bethel. king worships here at our national temple." I answered, "I'm not a prophet! And I wasn't trained to be a prophet. I am a shepherd. and I take care of fig trees. But the LORD told me to leave my herds and preach to the people of Israel." Ko te kupu a te Ariki.

# Whakamoemiti ki te Atua

# WAIATA WHAKAUTU 84 / 85

WZ: E te Ariki, whakakitea mai tāu mahi tohu, tukua mai ki a mātou tāu whakaoranga.

[Let us see O Lord your mercy and give us your saving help].

I will listen to you LORD God, because you promise peace to those who are faithful. You are ready to rescue everyone who worships you, so that you will live with us in all of your glory.

# Wa: E te Ariki, whakakitea mai tāu mahi tohu, tukua mai ki a mātou tāu whakaoranga.

Love and loyalty will come together; goodness and peace will Loyalty will sprout from the ground; justice will look down from the sky above. Wz: E te Ariki, whakakitea mai tāu mahi tohu, tukua mai ki a mātou tāu whakaoranga.

Our LORD you will bless us; our land will produce wonderful crops. Justice will march in front, making a path for you to follow.

Wa: E te Ariki, whakakitea mai tāu mahi tohu, tukua mai ki a mātou tāu whakaoranga.

# TUHITUHI TAPU TUARUA

Pauro ki te hunga o Epeha 1<sup>3-10</sup> Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ for the spiritual blessings that Christ brought us from heaven! Before the world was created, God had Christ choose us to live with him and be his holy and innocent and loving God was kind and decided that Christ would choose us to be God's own adopted children. God was very kind to us, because of the Son he dearly loves, and so we should praise Christ sacrificed his life's blood to set us free, which means that our sins are now forgiven. Christ did this because God was so kind to us. God has great wisdom and understanding and by what Christ has done, God has shown us his own mysterious ways. when the time is right, God will do all that he has planned and Christ will bring together everything in heaven and on earth. Ko te kupu a te Ariki Whakamoemiti ki te Atua.

Areruia...: Kia whakapaingia te Matua o to tātou Ariki nāna nei tātou i whakapai ki ngā taonga wairua. Areruia ...

# **RONGO PAI**

Upoko 6<sup>7-13</sup> Maaka Na, ka karangatia e Hēhu te tekau mā rua, ā, ka anga, ka tono i a rātou takirua, takirua, ā. hoatu ana ki a rātou te mana ki ngā wairua poke. Ā, ka ako atu ia ki a rātou, kia kaua tētahi mea e mauria ki te ara, he tokotoko anake, aua he pūtea, aua he taro, aua he moni ki roto i te whitiki. Engari he pāraerae korari, aua e rua ngā koti hei kākahu. Ā, i mea anō ia ki a rātou, "Ka tomo koutou ki tētahi

whare, hei reira noho ai, ā, haere noa rā anō koutou i reira. Ā, ko te tangata ekore e manaaki mai ki a koutou ekore hoki e whakarongo ki a koutou, ka puta atu koutou i reira, ruia te pūehu i ō koutou waewae, hei whakaaturanga ki a rātou." Heoi, haere ana rātou, ka kauwhau, kia mahi rīpenetā ngā tangata. maha hoki ngā taimona i peia e rātou, he tokomaha anō ngā tūroro i whakawahia e rātou ki te hinu, ā, i whakaorangia. Ko te Rongo Pai a te Ariki. Kia whakanuia rā koe e te

# Ariki e Hēhu Karaiti

**GOSPEL** 

Ch.  $6^{7-13}$ Mark Jesus called together his twelve apostles and sent them out two by two with power over evil spirits. He told them, "You may take along a walking stick. But don't carry food or a travelling bag or any money. It's alright to wear sandals, but don't take along a change of clothes. When you are welcomed into a home, stay there until you leave that town. If any place won't welcome you or listen to your message, leave and shake the dust from your feet as a warning to them." The left apostles and started telling everyone to turn to God. They forced out many demons and healed a lot of sick people by putting olive oil on them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B Amos 7. 12-15 Ephesians 1. 3-14 Mark 6. 7-13

Haere mai te whānau. Tēnā hoki koutou ngā manuhiri kua peka mai ki tēnei wāhi rangimarie, ki te whare o te Atua. Come aside from the busy world - as Jesus said, "Come aside and rest awhile." It's good for the soul - it's good for the family. I'm sure it's the same for all our moments of prayer if we allow ourselves the time.

Moments of prayer don't need to be long and boring.

Pope Francis has asked all preachers again - If you haven't struck oil in ten minutes, stop boring!

So let's keep it brief.

Today the scriptures talk a lot about the mission - of Amos and of the Apostles.

And we need to think how can we participate in this mission - in our own way -

We hear in the First Reading about Amos the farmer who is given a special calling. It was a tough job which the Lord had given him. He lived about 700 years before Christ, and yet over the last thirty years especially, he has been quoted very often. He is considered very modern, because he doesnt mince words. Amos was called to be a prophet. And his answer was 'Look, I know nothing about being a prophet. There is a group of prophets living up North. Why don't you call on them'. But they were not the kind of prophets God was after, prophets who were continually in a state of ecstasy. God wanted a person with both feet on the ground, who knew something about ordinary life. 'I only know about sheep and pruning trees. That is what I have done all my life', Amos said. 'Yes, Just the person I want', God replied. Mind you, although he lived in the South, Amos was very much aware of conditions in the North, he knew of the social conditions there. The rich were doing very well in the North, extremely well, but at the cost of their poor labourers. Reminds one of the report which is in the newsletter - about the poor Migrants from Same as the poor Israelites in the

Myanmar into Thailand.
Working a 14 hour day for \$14
Same as the poor Israelites in the northern kingdom. They earned hardly enough to get food, never mind sandals or clothing. You imagine Amos, some rough shepherd from the South, traveling up North and telling king and nobles and priests and false prophets off in no uncertain terms, in very rough words indeed.
He was soon told to get back where he same from or also

where he came from or else. But what a man! A man with strong convictions, a man with his eyes wide open to the conditions of the poor, a man willing to speak up, a man just right for his times, an apostle. He was a straight talker committed to the wellbeing of the whole community. That is why God had given him the job in spite of his objections.

In the gospel we hear of the twelve, who are also sent out on a mission. It is more difficult to identify with them, because their task and circumstances were more difficult. Yet, if I may put their task in modern words,

then it would read like this: They were sent out to bring people to a different insight, to different attitudes. And I think. that that had a lot to do with making people think, not just of themselves but of others; to make them look at their actions and deeds and see how they were affecting other people. When we can sit down with people and really talk with them, communicate with them, have that ability to speak not just head to head, but heart to heart, then we are being apostles, not in far-away countries, but right at home.

The twelve were sent to speak up and stand up to those who abuse their power and position, in the way John the Baptist stood up to King Herod, and the apostles later-on would stand up to the rulers, the rich, the high-priests. To stand up to the bullies, who use and abuse people, to those who threaten and undermine life, to those who loudly proclaim their own idols, those forces which make slaves of us. who laugh at those who have aroha for others, think of others. They made no compromises with evil.

Yet they were sent to show their compassion to all those who can't make it in life, anoint the sick, it is said, but let us say: touch all those people, embrace all those people, lay their hands gently on all those people, who just could not make it. They were sent to do something about this world. It is strange, but I can't really find any statement, where the apostles are sent to tell people about life hereafter, about going to heaven. For Jesus it seemed to be important, that people had a

chance in this life.

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On this occasion the twelve were not sent out to foreign countries. As a matter of fact, even afterwards it seemed that most of them stayed close to Jerusalem. We are asked to be committed Christians at home, caring people It is interesting to reflect on that mission of the disciples. It is interesting to reflect on what the disciples were not asked to do. They were not told to baptize, to tell people to go to church, or say their prayers, to speak about communion, build a church or anything like that. That's all taken for granted. They were told to preach repentance: not just to preach sorrow, sack-cloth and ashes, but to preach repentance — that is to bring people to new insights, to a change of mind, to get them to think differently, so they will live a different kind of life. That kind of unity that is brought about is no unity at all, if in some way we do not share Jesus' concerns, share his vision, his hopes, share in his task. We want a pretty Jesus, hardly a prophet, who stirs us up. I am afraid, that some pictures we have of communion or first communion only instill the pretty Jesus on our minds, not the missionary.

In some ways it is a pity, that in today's gospel we only hear half the story. It is unfortunate, that we don't hear the ending of the mission nor the bit in between. About seventeen verses further up we hear of the rejoicing of the apostles, because their mission had been so successful. But just in the middle of the mission story we have a very dark cloud. Sometimes we see that in a painting: a happy scene in the foreground but dark clouds and

lightning in the background. Mark's gospel about the mission is that way, because in the middle he tells us the story of the beheading of John the Baptist: the prophet who set out on his mission. He who tried to drive the demon out of Herod, tried to bring him to conversion - a sad ending for a prophet, but a fate which will befall Jesus and the disciples themselves too. We are not likely to meet up with that kind of opposition, but if as Christians we do not meet with opposition or if there is nothing that we seriously oppose ourselves, may be, that we are not Christians at all. Only if people think differently can true conversion take place. All the stories and parables of Jesus are intended to make people think differently and see things differently. They were told to drive out demons - all those things that possessed people or try to possess people. However necessary commerce and businesses are, I have no doubt, that these try to possess people and that in all matters these days, only one question is asked: is it good for commerce, is it good for the money? Nothing else seems to deserve consideration; it is the demon of our days. It is a demon, an evil spirit, when people can only think of their own rights, not of the needs and rights of others. There are plenty of demons we need to fight today. There is the

The disciples are asked to take care of the sick and that includes all the needy, whatever there needs may be. To lay their hands on - to give a helping hand - to reach out to all those society

demon of violence poking up its

ugly head again - we need to

drive it out.

does not want to look at or despises - that's why Jesus reached out to them, because people in his days thought that the sick were doomed and cursed.

Church is not just a community of people that gathers on Sundays with hymns and songs and then calls it a day. It is not even a community that strives to go to heaven. It is a community that wants to change the world. And only those people, who are in some ways active in this, are church and form church.