

Venerable Suzanne Aubert:
A missionary who made NZ her home

At the beginning of the extraordinary month of Mission called by Pope Francis, we remember one of the great missionaries who came to New Zealand 150 years ago. Venerable Suzanne Aubert was just 25 when she responded to Christ's call to leave her native country of France and travel to New Zealand. Her mission was to answer God's call to bring the love of Christ to all people in Aotearoa New Zealand.



She had a particular calling to serve Māori, and she became known to the *tangata whenua* as Meri Hohepa. She established the first soup kitchen in New Zealand still serving thousands of meals a year, homes for abandoned children and the severely disabled and a hospital to care for the sick and dying.

Suzanne died here in Aotearoa New Zealand 94 years ago this week. For 66 years of her life she sought to reflect the compassionate face of Jesus to all she encountered.

Venerable Suzanne has already reached the second of four steps on her journey to sainthood. The findings of an inquiry held earlier this year to investigate an alleged miracle through her intercession are currently being examined in Rome. If Rome accepts that the miracle occurred through Suzanne's intercession, she can be beatified, and thus universally acclaimed as a true and humble follower of Jesus, inspiring us on our own journey or *hiko* of faith.

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5th and 6th October 2019

Sat	05 Oct	6.00 pm		Margaret and Jack Allen (Dec'd)
Sun	06 Oct	9.00 am	Maori Miha	Suzanne Aubert & People of the Parish
Mon	07 Oct	7.30 am		Spec Int. Dom Placid Murray OSB 101 yrs
Tues	08 Oct	6.00 pm		Isobel Wills
Wed	09 Oct	9.30 am		Jeslin Fernando
Thurs	10 Oct	9.00am		James Smith
Fri	11 Oct	11.30am	Confession	Colleen Mazengarb
		12.10pm		
Sat	12 Oct	9.00 am		Legion of Mary
		9.30 am	Confession	
		6.00 pm		Chaffey and Rau family
Sun	13 Oct	9.00 am		People of the Parish and
		11.00 am	Tolaga Bay	

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: **Habakkuk 1: 2 - 3; 2: 2 - 4**

PSALM: **94: 1 - 2. 6 - 9**

If today you hear God's voice harden not your heart

SECOND READING: **2 Timothy 1: 6 - 8. 13- 14**

GOSPEL
 ACCLAMATION: **The word of the Lord stands forever; it is the word given to you, the Good News..**

Al - le - lu - ia !

GOSPEL : **Luke 17 : 5 - 9**



We pray for our Bishop Steve Lowe. May he be blessed in his ministry with our Diocese of Hamilton.

May our Lady bless his ministry.

NEXT WEEKS READINGS - 28th Week Ord Time
 First Reading : 2 Kings 5: 14-17
 Psalm: 97: 1 - 4
 Second Reading : 2 Timothy 2: 8 - 13
 Gospel: Luke 17: 11 - 19

Last Sunday's collection total est.: \$2,577.50

Monsignor Frank's Message

Dear parishioners of St. Mary Star of the Sea and all visitors,

I am sure we all as a Christian community rejoice in the expression of regret delivered on Wednesday to Ngati Oneone and Turanga iwi by the British High Commissioner, Laura Clarke, for the pain of the first on-shore encounters between Europeans and Maori in 1769. It was needed. We pray that this will be an effective first step in bringing healing to an offense which has been festering for 250 years.

I encourage all parishioners to attend all the Tuia 250 Commemorations that they feel comfortable with. I hope the ceremonies will especially give our children positive memories which will endure.

This weekend our Bishops have asked us to highlight Mother Aubert in our Masses. Mother Aubert had a particular calling to serve Maori and she became known as Meri Hohepa.

At the 6.00pm Mass I will be blessing Gennie Arahill and Maria Carruthers who are about to begin a pilgrimage to Rome to attend the Canonisation of Blessed John Henry Newman on October 13th. It will be a superb event. Go with our love dear Gennie and Maria!

Please remember the beginning of RCIA on Tuesday October 15th- in the Parish Centre at 7.00pm. RCIA is for folk who are not Catholic and would like to learn about the Catholic Faith. If you know of anyone who could be interested please step out bravely and tell them.

Congratulation to Nicky Dimery and to Kelvin Scott on the Baptism of their baby- Zaria Anne Dimery. Welcome little one into our Faith community. We had two Requiems during the week: Maurie Bayne and Raymond (Brownie) Bloxham. May they rest in peace.

Maurie was a Past Chairperson of the Campion College Board of Trustees and was heavily involved in Parish Life with his late wife Margo as a Minister of the Eucharist and Reader.

Brownie, for years, was the Welcomer in the foyer for the 9.00am Sunday Mass. He would arrive at 7.30am and make sure that the foyer was vacuumed and everything set out on the foyer table. He was a gentle soul and we all treasured him.

Kind Wishes, Mons Frank.

This week's featured link on the parish web site (<http://stmarysgisborne.co.nz>) In this first episode, John Allen talks about what to expect from the upcoming Synod for the Amazon.

**Operation Christmas Child boxes are available again !
Please see Karyn Sadler if you require one**

Our boxes will be collected on Friday 8 November



With Hearts Burning Podcast: (refer Diocesan website)

We get it. Sometimes, you can get distracted in Mass. And before you know it, they're halfway through the Gospel! So we've decided to help. Get familiar with the Sunday

Readings BEFORE Mass. Every week on our Podcast **With Hearts Burning** you can listen to the Readings on [Spotify](#) or [iTunes](#). Read by local parishioners, students and Deacon Leon.



REMINDER Unplanned - The Movie
refer last week notice

The movie features an inspiring true story of one woman's journey from working at Planned Parenthood to becoming a staunch advocate for life. **On at Dome Cinema**



Parish Office Messages Anyone who has left serving bowls, plates etc. in the Parish Kitchen, these are now placed in the bottom cupboards in kitchen.....



Please collect ASAP

I have been asked by a parishioner..... Please can you donate your clean left over Ice Cream containers. These are no longer 'recycled' but will come to good use for 'left over food' after Parish events etc . Please leave in Library or at Parish office... Thank you

The Oct. 6 – 19 issue of NZ Catholic is out now. Some headlines are: Msgr Brian Arahill called a 'great priest'. Census shows fewer Catholics. Former PM sounds warning at Caring Dinner. Pilgrimage for Life concludes in capital. The next issue of NZ Catholic will be published on October 20.



Sorry about my error in last weeks Notice re Daylight Saving All my mistake Hope nobody took my advice

Audrey