

# Immaculate Conception Pakipaki Parihā Katorika o Heretaunga

Miriama Road, Pakipaki  
Miha Māori, 8.00am ia Rātapu

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## Parish Council Report – 7<sup>th</sup> November 2017

### Pānui Mate

The Congregation pray for the soul of Christina Koko, sister of Hermann, who passed away last week after a long illness. The Koko whānau attended mass on Sunday and Christina was remembered in our prayers.

E Te Ariki hoatu ki a ia te okiokinga tonutanga. A kia whiti ki a ia te Maramatanga mutunga kore.

### 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Immaculate Conception

The community has been reminded of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Dedication and opening of the Immaculate Conception in 1967. While the exact date is still to be confirmed, it is felt that the occasion should be acknowledged before the year ends.

A suggestion has been put forward to hold a special anniversary Miha Māori on the evening of the 8<sup>th</sup> December to mark the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Charles is to speak with Pā Vince and Pā Nathaniel for the best way to make this happen.

### John Scott Architecture Book

Nick Bevin is an architect from Wellington who has an interest in the architecture of John Scott, Nick visited the Immaculate Conception on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November to assess the building and enquire of its history.

The building was photographed by David Strange and Nick was given a tour of the old Immaculate Conception also.

Charles is in communication with Nick regarding the book.

### Miha Māori

During mass, the first reading will be given in English and the second reading will be given in te reo Māori.

The projection slides have been refreshed and updated to include responses in both English and Māori to allow for whether the mass is being delivered in English or Māori.

The prayer for Suzanne Aubert will be included in mass every Sunday as we continue to payer for her Sainthood.

### **Eucharist Minister**

Charles has been commissioned a Eucharist Minister and is now supporting preparation of the mass. Holy Communion is being distributed after mass on Sunday for all the sick in the village, many of whom have not received Holy Communion for some time.

### **Change in contacts for Immaculate Conception**

Hermann Koko and Hera Ferris have started to handover the running of the church to Charles, both are in their late seventies and have been stalwarts of the Immaculate Conception and can now retire and enjoy the tranquillity of mass without needing to run the church.

The Parish website can be updated with Charles contact details.

### **Meeting with Cardinal Dew**

Cardinal John has requested a meeting with Ngāhiwi Tōmoana to learn more of his meeting with the Pope. A meeting was held last Wednesday in Wellington.

### **160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the church in Pakipaki 1858-2018**

Next March marks the establishment of the Catholic Māori Mission after the Battle of Pakiaka and relocation of Ngāti Papatuamārō from Pakowhai Pā to Pakipaki.

A discussion will be had on how this milestone can be acknowledged with preference for an open air Miha Māori at Hougarea Marae.

### **Hougarea Marae update**

Hougarea Marae is representing the Pakipaki Hapū through the Heretaunga-Tamatea Treaty Settlement which will enable a Hapū Development Plan to upgrade the marae complex and assets.

As a part of the development, a Heritage Conservation Report will be conducted for the marae, Charles is to request that the Hapū fund Conservation Reports for all heritage assets in the village as a cost efficient contribution towards Saint Luke's and both of the Immaculate Conception churches.

The provision of a Conservation Report financially undertaken by the Hapū increases chances of further funding for identified conservation work to be carried out and is a small contribution the marae can make to the ongoing care of our village assets.

### **Memorial Garden**

Charles is investigating appropriate plants for this garden and is working with the landowners around re-installation of the garden as the grave is officially within their boundary and the garden is being re-installed at the owner's suggestion.

An offer has been made of the endangered white kākā beak flower which is currently being considered.