



Atawhai Assisi

An outreach of the Methodist Church of New Zealand

ASSISI RETIREMENT VILLAGE NEWS

August 2026



Friday, 17 July, marked a poignant day for many in our village as we said goodbye to the stately Ginkgo tree that has graced the Matangi treescape for decades. Louis informed us the tree had to be removed as its size and leaf drop were heavily affecting the local

stormwater infrastructure.

While the giant will be missed, the spot will soon welcome smaller native evergreens, bringing new life and hopefully plenty of native birds to the village entrance.



Thanks to Jenny and Helen for the photos.

It took exactly one week from being informed on the fate of the Ginkgo tree to it being dead and gone!



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Just the stump remains!

Entertainment and Activities from JEM

Tues 4th AUG - 10:30am - Graham Horne - LOUNGE

Sat 15th AUG - 2pm - JEM - LOUNGE

Tues 18th AUG - 1:30pm - St Joseph's Singers - CHAPEL

Thurs 27th AUG - 10:30am - Ivories & Bows - CHAPEL

TUESDAY 11th AUGUST - 1:30pm - GOUDA CHEESE Sales - Main Dining Room

A Message from our Chaplain, Clive



My August dates are:

Tuesday 4: Bible Study in Chapel 1:30pm

Monday 10: Bible Study in Chapel 11am

Monday 17: Bible Study in Chapel 11am

Wednesday 19: Discussion Group in Hata Dining Room 11:15am

Tuesday 25: Combined Church Service in Chapel 11:00am

Wednesday 26: Bible Study in Chapel 11:00am

Weekly Catholic Masses in Chapel:

Wednesday 10:30am

Saturday 10:30am

Sunday 10:45am



Happy Hour

Come along and celebrate at The Barn

Friday, 7 August 2026 at 3.00pm

Craft Group Mondays 1.30 in the Barn

Sune's Paint and Sip session was a great success with some beautiful welcome art for your houses.



Thanks to Allison for the photos.

Movie and Fish & Chip Night

Monday, 10th August 2026 at 5.00pm

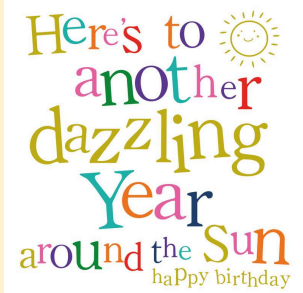
Helen and Jenny are organising it this month so keep an eye out on WhatsApp to order your Fish n Chips. Not sure what the movie will be, keep an eye on Whatsapp.



From Sune - What is happening in the Village this month:

Happy birthday to our August birthday

16 August - Lyall



Assisi Trivia/ Quiz Night time again – 4pm, Thursday

13th August

- Teams of 2-4
- BYO Drinks & Nibbles

Welcoming our new driver, Shan Raina, started on 14th July



A message from Wendy, our resident Hairdresser

Wendy loves keeping our hairstyles current, neat and tidy and would like to let everyone know that the recent price increases were not of her doing but were organised by management.



Villa Residents Lunch

Friday 28 August

The Roaming Giant

Those going in the van please meet at reception at around 11.20am as the van will leave at 11.30am sharp

Communications from Management

We have a new WhatsApp message group which will be managed by Sune to relay any information from management to us all e.g. what is happening regarding maintenance of our properties, spraying, gutter cleaning etc.

Please only respond to this group if you need a question answered.

Photos for the Newsletter

To help me stay in the loop and have photos for the newsletter, Can you put your photos on WhatsApp or send them to my email address:

sharon.quinn@xtra.co.nz

Atawhai Assisi Village – Calendar of Events – AUGUST 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 10.45am Catholic Mass Chapel						1 10.30 Catholic Mass Chapel
2 10.45am Catholic Mass Chapel	3 10.30am Hillcrest NW 1.30pm Craft – Library 1.30pm Pool - Barn	4 10.30am Entertainment Graham Horne – Franciscan Lounge 1.30pm Bible Study - Chapel 1.30pm Strength & Balance Rehab Room	5 10.30am Catholic Mass Chapel 1.30pm Games - Barn	6 POWER OUTAGE – 08.30am – 3.30pm 1.30pm Strength & Balance Rehab Room	7 10.30am Chartwell Shopping 3 PM HAPPY HOUR in The Barn	8 10.30 Catholic Mass Chapel
9 10.45am Catholic Mass Chapel	10 10.30am Hillcrest NW 11 am Bible Study – Chapel 1.30pm Crafts – Barn 1.30pm Pool – Barn 5pm Movie and Fish & Chips -Barn	11 1.30pm Strength & Balance Rehab Room 1.30pm – Gouda Cheese Shoppe Sales – Franciscan Dining	12 10.30am Catholic Mass Chapel 1.30pm Games - Barn	13 1.30pm Strength & Balance Rehab Room 4 pm – Trivia / Quiz Night - Barn	14	15 10.30 Catholic Mass Chapel 2pm – Entertainment JEM Franciscan Lounge
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