**PRAYER OF REDEDICATION OF AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND TO MARY MOTHER OF GOOD, ASSUMED INTO HEAVEN**

**Sat/Sun 14/15 August 2021**

**LEADER**

Our sung response is

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria, Ave, Ave, Ave Maria,

**E te Atua aroha mā te whakapuaki i tō mātou whakapono**

Loving God in professing this faith in which we are united as your people

we unite ourselves with the yes of your mother Mary, the first disciple.

People Sing: Ave, Ave, Ave Maria, Ave, Ave, Ave Maria

**E te Atua, te Puna o ngā mea ora katoa, te kaihomai o ngā mea pai katoa**

O God, Source of all life, giver of all that is good we, your people of Aotearoa New Zealand

meet in the bonds of your love. Keep us faithful in our response to your love with Mary patroness of our land.

People Sing: Ave, Ave, Ave Maria, Ave, Ave, Ave Maria

**E te Atua aroha, ka karangahia houtia mātou e koe ki ngā hua o te ora**

Loving God, you call us anew to the abundance of life for which we have been created.

In our life with you we mature in relationship with you, with one another, and with our land. We repent the harm we have caused in this holy place to our sisters and brothers and to our land. In humility we turn to Mary, Mother of God, Assumed into Heaven.

People Sing: Ave, Ave, Ave Maria, Ave, Ave, Ave Maria

**E te Atua, mā roto i te korowai o Maria te whāea o tāu tamaiti, tō mātou whāea anō hoki**

O God, under the patronage of Mary, the mother of your son, and our mother we join with those gathered in the Hokianga in January 1838 with the leadership of Jean-Baptiste Pompallier first Catholic bishop of this place to dedicate our land of Aotearoa New Zealand to the care of Mary, Mother of God, Assumed into Heaven.

**I tenei wā, ka whakahoungia e mātou tēnei oati tapu**

We now renew this dedication turning to Mary with new fervour in union with her Son Our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit God forever and ever.

People Respond: Amen

*After the congregation respond with “Amen” the Priest then takes Holy Water for asperges for the congregation during which congregation sing* **Te Ara a Maria** Tune of the Lourdes hymn (Immaculate Mother) Words Robert Loretz)