

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP 35 William St, Richmond

Christian Meditation Group. Thursdays 9.15-10.00am at the Parish Centre, 35 William St, Richmond. All welcome. Information: Marie Shepherd, 538 0128 or 0278658032.

WE REMEMBER... those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Doris May McGee

RIP We pray for David Kingsley Nalder who passed away recently. May he rest in peace.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Preparation classes of the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion will begin in Our Lady of Perpetual Church Richmond on Sunday 20th May. These classes are suitable for children in years 4 to 6. Families interested enrolling their children are asked to contact Jamie Morris at

the19thnelson@hotmail.com before the end of April.

MOTHER'S DAY CARD THANKS On behalf of all Mothers who attended Mass on Mother's Day at our Church in Richmond, we would like to thank all the students for their time and effort in making beautiful Mother's Day cards. They gave us all great pleasure and there were so many different styles and colours. Thank you.

Huge thanks to all who voted for Leigh Snodgrass. (our Lady of the Bays original logo designer) She is now among 15 entrants in semi finals of NYX FaceAwards NZ and will create another face to decide 6 finalists. Your help will be welcomed again for voting on June 13th to 15th.

STS PETER & PAUL 155 Moutere Hwy, Waimea West

This month's Mass will be on **Saturday 26th May at 5pm.**

Please remember in your prayers, our community's faithful departed in May: Sarah Jeffries (1859), Patrick Roach (1878), Catherine O'Leary (1887), Mary Thomas (1888), Ruth Mercer (1904), Patrick O'Connor (1927), Winifred O'Connor (1954), Jock Cosgrove

(1978), Margaret Challies (1978), Sheila Cosgrove (1989), Harold Best, (1994), Louie Best (2000), Anna Butveld (2003), C.N. Curly Strawbridge (2007), Simon McIntyre (2011), Robert Aindow (2012), Irene Havill (2012), Veronica Appelman (2013), Fergus O'Connor (2016),

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE Thursday 10.00am.

Please send all notices to ourlady.newsletter@gmail.com

PARISH OF OUR LADY OF THE BAYS - SCHEDULE OF MASSES

St Peter Chanel, Motueka	Sat Vigil 5pm / Sun 9.30am / Tues, Thurs 9.30am
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Richmond	Sun 9.30am / Tues 11.30am / Wed 9.30am (communion) / Fri 9.30am
St Peter & Paul, Waimea West	5pm on 4th Sat of the month
St Joseph, Wakefield	Sun 8am / Thurs 9.30am (next Mass 17th June)
Sacred Heart, Takaka	Sun 4pm

* If there is a funeral Mass it replaces the Mass of the day.



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The Archdiocese of Wellington
To Tatou Wahine O Nga Whanga Parahi Katorika

OUR LADY OF THE BAYS

MOTUEKA • RICHMOND • TAKAKA • WAIMEA WEST • WAKEFIELD

20th May 2018

PENTECOST SUNDAY, Year B

ISSUE 52

Readings: Acts 2:1-11; Galatians 5:16-25; John 15:26-27; 16:12-15
Psalm: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.
Next Sunday readings: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40; St Paul to Romans 8:14-17; Matthew 28:16-20;

“The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth.”

Dear parishioners,
The unique experience of Jesus' followers at Pentecost is related to their understanding of God's presence. The Hebrew word *ruah*, the Greek *pneuma*, and the Latin *spiritus* all basically mean “air in motion,” “breath” or “wind.” The root meaning of each of these words is power. In ancient times, apart from human or animal power, wind was the main observable energy source that was used or harnessed to “power” things. Thus, the primitive understanding of wind in the Bible is as the breath of a very powerful being. The Old Testament never presents the spirit of God as a person but rather as the power by which God acts in human life.

The feast of Pentecost celebrates the birth-day of the church. The story of this “birth” is accompanied by images of God's presence in wind and fire. More historically this birth story recounts the movement of disparate groups of Jewish

followers of Jesus into an identifiable (and unified) body of people who distinguish themselves by belief in Jesus as God's son. They believe that the coming of Jesus has established a new world order of justice and peace for all to follow.

There is much that is happening in our parishes, archdiocese and the church in the world at the moment that helps us identify with those first disciples. The stable and predictable ways of gathering and creating community that challenge us, also invite us to be open to new possibilities and ways of relating to each other and the world around us. If we are confident that God is with us always (to the end of time) then the seeming challenges, we face are equally part of the Spirit's movement now as it was in the early church. It's a matter of how we embrace this in our time and age that distinguishes us.

God bless, Fr. Seph

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EVENTS AROUND OUR ARCHDIOCESE

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE - THE PURPOSE AND PLACE OF MUSIC IN THE LITURGY.

Don't Miss this Dynamic Workshop! Michael Mangan, an Australian composer, teacher and music liturgist will be presenting this interactive workshop at 6.30pm - 9.00pm on Monday 21 May at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Richmond . Everyone is welcome.

This will be of particular interest to members of Liturgy teams, Children's Liturgists, Musicians and Directors of Religious Education. Please register with Ann Williams before Wednesday 16 May a.williams@wn.catholic.org.nz. Michael is from overseas so a Koha would be appreciated but not compulsory.

REMINDERS & EVENTS AROUND OUR PARISH

Laudato si' - - Things you can do to cherish our planet and each other.

On average, each piece of clothing is only worn 5 times before it is disposed of. You wonder why some people even need washing machines...So PLEASE cherish the clothes you buy. Make sure you actually need it before you buy it. When you own it look after it, repair it and wear it until it is no longer wearable.

NZ Catholic, The May 20 – June 2 issue of NZ Catholic is out now. Some headlines are: Private NZ screenings of Paul movie. Christians in Science tackle ultimate questions. Communion issues for inter-church couples. Call for courage at seminary Mass. The next issue of NZ Catholic will be published on June 3.

Garin College is looking for homes for a group of Japanese students who will be visiting Nelson for 4 weeks from 28 July this year. Hosting international students is an awesome opportunity to make new friends and it's also a neat way to learn about another culture. The Japanese students are a pleasure to host and families are reimbursed for caring for students. If anyone would be interested in finding out more about this, they can contact Elmarie Karg for more information 0211952010

or via email elmariekarg@gmail.com

SEVENTH HEAVEN PEAVEN PASSIONIST GROUP

Group outing for Sunday May 20th, from 2pm at Wakefield Faulkner's Bush.

Please bring afternoon tea to share and seating cushion/rug/chair. Choice of short beautiful bush walk, all flat, easy going and/or small hill walk with great views of Waimea plains/Wakefield and Pigeon Valleys.

Our Tongan RSE workers in the Motueka district have organised a shipping container to go back to their families in the islands in May. They would welcome any useful items such as; garden tools, children's books, bicycles, cotton clothing, cotton bedding, household furniture items...PLEASE NO ELECTRICAL ITEMS. Items can be left in St Peter Chanel church, or contact Trish Donaldson for more information 5289788.

Sacrament of Confirmation, Over the next few weeks 30 children from across our parish will be preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Our grateful thanks to Jamie Morris and Markelle Ward in Richmond and Catherine Campbell in Motueka who will be working with the children. Please pray for the children and their families as they take this next step on their faith journey. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred by Cardinal John on Sunday 24th June at St Peter Chanel Church, Motueka.

PART TIME OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR The Parish of Our Lady of the Bays is a recently amalgamated Parish and covers 5 communities from Richmond to Takaka. We are looking for an experienced Office Administrator to work from the Parish Centre in Richmond. The main responsibility of the role is to support the Parish Priests and the Chairpersons of the Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Committee. Strong interpersonal skills, flexibility, the ability to prioritise tasks, empathy and confidentiality are some of the attributes required. The successful applicant will be a New Zealand citizen. Previous administrative experience, along with proven knowledge and experience of most common software and internet applications, is required. A detailed Position Description is available. If you believe you have the requisite experience and abilities please email Adrienne Hill on howard_adrienne@xtra.co.nz for a copy. Applications will close at 4pm Monday 21 May 2018.

St Vincent de Paul

The Richmond conference of the Society wishes to share with parishioners some of our recent activities.:

Working towards welcoming a refugee family in July, arranging for a local family to have a

holiday in a Picton house which the society operates, Supplying food parcels, petrol vouchers and assistance with accommodation, Paying doctors bills, Supplying clothing to a Tongan woman and child(in NZ to visit her dying mother), whose lives have been completely disrupted by recent cyclone, Providing and delivering a washing machine and funding installation thereof for a woman who is undergoing chemotherapy, Home visiting, Hospitality after a funeral, Delivering baskets of food to two recently bereaved families, Sending sympathy, Mass, birthday, anniversary and get well cards, Funding a school holiday camp for a child, Funding a hearing test for a 5 yr old with a hearing deficit in order to expedite timely intervention

In our rule it states that no work of charity is foreign to the society, and our mission is to seek and find those who are in need. Should any of you know of anyone who could use assistance from our conference, please do not hesitate to contact the society.

Whilst we have your attention, a reminder that a basket for food donations from parishioners, is in the foyer of all our churches, and is presented to the celebrant at the offertory. All items gratefully received.

ST PETER CHANEL 423 High St, Motueka

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP meets every Wednesday at St. Peter Chanel church 3.30-4.30pm. All welcome. For more information phone 5284147.

WOMEN'S SCRIPTURE GROUP is in action again for 2018 with our study of Acts. We welcome you to join us at 10.15 am on a Tuesday morning. For more details phone Janet 5284147 or Fran 5288695.

PLEASE REMEMBER in prayer the elderly, lonely, sick and infirmed of our community, especially Bryan Hamilton, Trish Hall, Bill Nugent, Barbara Janson, Nancy Courtney, Patti Ogilvie, Tom Inglis and Muriel Jackson.

We also remember those whose anniversaries occur in May: Rosealine Hutchinson (1st) , William Hilton (3rd), Michael John O'Brien & Keith Fry (5th), Stan McDonnell (6th) Gerardus Hofsteede & Margaret Moon (8th), Francis Hailes (10th) , Irene Dempsey(12th) Richard Wallace (13th), Helen Whalley (14th), Dawn Whalley (15th), Frances Muller (19th), Russell Wallace (20th), Hazel Mary McDonald (21st), John Kelly & John Kilmartin (23rd), Louis Whalley (24th), Isabella Lennon & Shirley McNabb (27th), Iris Leckie & Donald Coghlan (29th), Tim O'Sullivan (30th)