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To Tatou Wahine O Nga Whanga Parahi Katorika

OUR LADY OF THE BAYS

MOTUEKA • RICHMOND • TAKAKA • WAIMEA WEST • WAKEFIELD

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

11th Feb 2024

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Issue 308

Leviticus 13: 1-2, 44-46; Corinthians 10: 31, 11: 1; Mark 1: 40-45

MASS TIME Sunday Mass

MOTUEKA

Sunday 9.30am

RICHMOND

Sunday 9.30am

WAKEFIELD

Vigil Mass 5pm, 2nd Sat each month

WAIMEA WEST

Vigil Mass 5pm, 4th Sat each month

TAKAKA

Sunday 5pm, 1st & 3rd each month
Service of the Word with Communion
on 2nd Sunday of month at 9.30am

Weekdays Mass

MOTUEKA

Tuesday 9.30am

Friday, 9am Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament, 9.15 Rosary

Friday, 9.30am Liturgy of the Word

RICHMOND

Wednesday and Friday, 9.30am
Reconciliation after Mass or
by Appointment

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Deadline Wednesday Noon

In this week's Gospel we are given an example of the compassion of Jesus when he heals a leper. We can imagine the hope that the man held that he could be cured and how that would give the leper a new chance at life and that he could re-enter society and re-join his family to live out his life. This desire to live and participate in community is a very basic human instinct and those who are not able to co-exist with others suffer many hardships. This sense of being connected to others and having a part to play in society is fundamental to feeling content with your life. Thus we have **Connected** as a key school value at St Peter Chanel School.

With reference to being connected to our place, our community and our world.

Over the last few years our fairly modest school garden has been extended and has grown some very impressive crops under the care of first Father Paul, and then one of our parents, Samantha Gentry. For many years our students have always been involved as assistant gardeners, with the harvest being gifted out to those in need in our community. This year we intend to involve the students further in running a garden-to-table program, with crops being sown that will be planted, nurtured, harvested and then processed for eating. The children will assist with the daily and weekly garden tasks and once the crops are harvested, will participate in the processing of the food. What we plan to do is continue to expand our garden and share our produce with the community.

In another few years we hope that our garden will be producing crops in more sustentative amounts that will be available for our community. We invite any parishioners who are interested in becoming part of this garden-to-table program to join us. If you are able to spend time in our garden we would love to hear from you. We are also hoping for donations of any excess gardening tools or gear. In the future we would like our SPC garden to be a community asset that will nourish and feed many.

Marg Campbell-McCauley
Principal
St Peter Chanel School
Motueka
027 528 7366

OUR LADY OF THE BAYS

The Theme for Lent 2024 is "The Time is Now/Ko Tēnei tonu te Wā". As we focus on the three pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving during Lent, we naturally connect with God and look to serve others. Lent is a time to renew our relationship with God and look for practical ways we can bring God's love to those around us.

1st Friday of Lent, 16 Feb

Day of Prayer and Penance for Victims of Abuse and Violence

Lent Book available soon in the church foyer for reflection during Lent season at \$10 each, limited quantity

COMMUNITY DAY CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

All are welcome to a Christian Meditation community day led by Janet Robbins.

Janet is a Benedictine Oblate and retreat leader from England. Janet is visiting family in Wakefield and we welcome her to speak to us.

'Shared Wisdom: How the contemplative voice can be heard and how the language of silence brings harmony.'

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 17TH - 10AM TO 3PM at Catholic Church hall, 35 William Street, Richmond.

BYO lunch, morning tea provided. Koha appreciated. Please RSVP to Marie Shepherd: mlshepherd54@gmail.com

027 865 8032 or Karen Moynagh karen@moynagh.co.nz 027 245 7800

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, RICHMOND

Rosters for the next round of March, April and May are now being produced. Please ensure that you have your availability information back to your roster co-ordinator as soon as possible.

We are looking for new co-ordinators for the following rosters to commence in June:

- ◆ Ministers of Communion – approx. 2 hours work every 3 months
- ◆ Foyer Greeters – approx. 1 hours work every 3 months
- ◆ Children's Liturgy Roster – approx. 1 hours work every 3 months

There are processes already in place for all of these rosters. If you feel able to commit to managing all or one of these please contact Adrienne Hill on either 021 526404 or howard_adrienne@xtra.co.nz Thank you.

Free Two large Traditional Bibles have been donated anonymously.

One copy of the manual of the Holy Catholic Church.

If you are interested to have one of these please ask Teresa McKenzie or Karen Moynagh at Sunday or Weekday Mass.



NEW/EXISTING PARISHIONERS

We welcome any one recently arrived in our parish. Please fill in a New Parishioner Form found on table and on noticeboard in foyer.

If you have changed address, email or phone number please use Update Data Form or email Era in the office. Any queries to Karen 027 245 7800

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will take place in the Church at 7.00pm every Friday evening during Lent, starting on 16 February. All are most welcome

MORNING TEA

It is planned to provide a simple morning tea in the Hall on **Wednesday 21st February, from 10.15am**. There is mass at 9.30 am if you wish to attend first. This is a chance for parishioners to have time to chat and meet others. New parishioners are so welcome. We will sit at tables so you can be comfortable, relaxed and talk easily.

Rental Property Urgently required A Parish family with 4 children urgently require a home in Richmond as soon as possible as their current rental property is being sold. If you or anyone you know might be able to assist please contact Adrienne Hill on either 021 526404 or howard_adrienne@xtra.co.nz and she will pass on their contact details.

Situations Vacant – Shop Manager, Stoke Vinnies Shop

Permanent, part-time 15-20 hrs/wk. Job description available from stoke@svdnpnelson.org.nz or the Stoke Vinnies Shop, or call Diane (Stoke President) on 0211785752. Applications close on 12 February 2024.

Garin College News from John's Whanau on attachment in this email.

ST PETER CHANEL, MOTUEKA

You will have noticed that the Church driveway was sealed last week. This has tidied up the entrance nicely. It might be worth mentioning again that the intention is to have a one way system for the School and Church grounds, entering from High St, and exiting into Old Wharf Road. This cuts down on potential head-ons, and makes it easier to angle park in the Front carpark.

Please remember in your Prayers the sick, elderly, and housebound of our Parish. Including Peter Goodman, Joan Curtain and Brian Dunnill. And also friends and relations who are fighting serious illness.



Prayer Group

You are welcome to join (or drop in to) an intercessory prayer group which now meets at 6pm on Wednesdays at St Peter Chanel. We began meeting in January to pray for Angela Francis's successful mission to the Philippines and will continue to pray for community needs. In February we focus on local children, families, and schools as they return. You are welcome to get in touch with any prayer requests. You can email these to Elizabeth and Mark Stolten and mark

confidential if you wish: mestolten@gmail.com

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The February meeting is on Tuesday 13th in the Church Foyer at 3pm. All are welcome and if you want to see what their mission is with a view to joining, then please come along.

Thanks for your generosity with Christmas treats among the donations in December.

The bin is still in the foyer for non-perishable food donations for SVDP to distribute. There is a list on the wall above the bin of suggested suitable items. There is also a bin next to the check-outs at Pak and Save in Richmond.

PIANO FUNDRAISING

As promised, Vickie Cameron introduced the fundraising proposal on Sunday. Some of you will remember that when our current Church was built in 1987, the major fundraiser was a donation of \$1000 from 100 families. The cost of the new electronic Piano is \$6000. \$2000 has been allocated by the Finance Committee of Our Lady of the Bays, and St Peter Chanel parishioners have to raise the other two thirds. If 50 families were to pledge \$80, then we would meet the target. The outstanding amount of \$4000 has been underwritten by a generous local in the meantime, and the aim is to repay the money before the end of March. Generous visitors during the Christmas Season have donated \$150 through the Koha Box in the foyer.

St Peter Chanel School

Last Wednesday SPC School welcomed back its students for the new year. There was a special welcome for the new students, a new teacher, and School Secretary. The Parish wishes them all well for a happy and successful first term.



Scott Cameron on the new Piano leading the Music Group



Fr Cirilo blesses the new Electronic Piano with the support the Music Group

Minister	11/02/2024	18/02/2024
Greeter	R & K O'Gorman	T Hall & E Taggart
Morning Tea	R & K O'Gorman	V & S Cameron
Music	Mary Wilson	Mary Wilson
Prayers Faithful	FRAN PEACEY	MARGARET JONES
Readers	M Kilmartin & D Ogilvie	S Collins V Dugdale
Eucharistic Ministers	S & V Cameron	T Donaldson M Lucas
Cleaning		P and M Macquet
Lawns	John Farrelly	Mike Carr

NZ Community for Christian Meditation



Community Day

***Shared Wisdom:
How the contemplative voice can be heard and
how the language of silence brings harmony***

Led by

Janet Robbins

UK Benedictine Oblate and retreat leader

All welcome.

Saturday Feb 17th 2024

10.00am – 3.00pm

Catholic Church hall
35 William Street, Richmond

Morning tea provided
BYO lunch

A koha to help with costs and support NZCCM would be appreciated

Please RSVP to Marie Shepherd: mlshepherd54@gmail.com
0278658032 or

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