



A Catholic Parish of
The Archdiocese of Wellington

To Tatou Wahine O Nga Whanga Parahi Katorika

OUR LADY OF THE BAYS

MOTUEKA • RICHMOND • TAKAKA • WAIMEA WEST • WAKEFIELD

15 August 2021

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Issue 202

Proverbs 9: 1 – 6; Ephesians 5: 15 – 20; John 6: 51 - 58

MASS TIME

Sunday Mass

MOTUEKA Saturday vigil 5.00pm,
Sunday 9.30am
RICHMOND Sunday 9.30am
WAKEFIELD Sunday 8.00am
WAIMEA W 5.00pm Saturday vigil
(on 4th Saturday of the month)
TAKAKA Sunday 4.00pm

Weekdays Mass

MOTUEKA Tuesday and Thursday
9.30am
RICHMOND Wednesday and
Friday 9.30am

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Live the Sacraments. Be the Church.

Our Action Statement for Term 3 at St Peter Chanel School this year, is one of our most simple yet, but is revealed as complex when we begin to break it open with our students. Teaching and learning about the sacraments is not the same as experiencing them. The sense of peace and grace that we receive when we connect with God through these ceremonies, cannot be adequately explained, but should be a “lived” experience.

The most accessible and practiced sacrament is that of Eucharist. Coming together as a community to enrich ourselves through sharing the renewing bread of life, is a gift that we often appreciate more as we get older, or when we have been denied it. (Such as during Lockdown).

Our school students have been given this opportunity with last Sunday being the Feast Day of St Mary MacKillop (or St Mary of the Cross). We celebrated this important day for our school through attending Thursday morning Mass with Father Paul and our Parishioners. Today we gather to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption and to acknowledge the rich diversity of cultures we enjoy here in our Parish and our Primary Schools. This is yet another opportunity for us to share the gift of gathering for the Eucharist as a community unified by our faith. Next week in Motueka, a group of 15 children will begin their Sacramental Programme where they will be prepared to receive the Sacraments. Alongside the grace of the Sacraments we are teaching the children that the Church is not a building – but it is we the people acting as the hands, heart, voice and body of Christ. We are the Church through our actions of mercy, justice and faith.

Marg Campbell-McCauley
Principal
St Peter Chanel School

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REDEDICATION OF NZ TO MARY ASSUMED INTO HEAVEN

A website has been created to help promote the bishops' renewal of the dedication of the country to Our Lady Assumed into Heaven. The website is www.tearaamaria.nz it contains details of the project and will be updated regularly to include the schedule of the nationwide hikoi of the artwork created for the project. The hikoi starts on 18 August in Invercargill.

QUOTE FROM POPE FRANCIS Mary does not let herself be paralyzed by fear or pride. Mary is not the type that, to be comfortable, needs a good sofa where she can feel safe and sound. She is no couch potato! *Message for World Youth Day 2017*

A HEART FELT THANKS from Fr David in Westport. Donations to the Flood Relief Fund from OLOB parishioners stand at \$4,885. Thank you for your generosity and support.

MASS INTENTION ENVELOPES These are now available from each of our churches for parishioners to use if they would like a Mass offered for a special intention. The envelopes can be given directly to your priest (preferable), or placed in the collection basket.

NELSON DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN. An exciting August meeting! On Saturday **14 August** we are privileged to have **Fr John Rea** as our speaker. Fr John is well known locally for his prayer and healing ministry. Fr John will speak on our scripture from the Song of Songs. There will be Praise and Worship and a chance for prayer. We are hopeful that women from all across our area will join us at the **Parish Centre, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, William St Richmond at 2pm**. We look forward to seeing you. More information if required from Mary 021 1749383. www.dove.org.nz

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS FOR JUNE 2021 Total Income YTD is below budget by (-\$3,499) with collection income however better than anticipated for the period YTD by \$1,600.

Expenses overall YTD of \$62,941 are well under budget for the 3-month period by (-\$22,614.)

The resultant net profit YTD as at 30 June 2021 is therefore \$7,767 compared to the budgeted

loss of (-\$11,348.). All is tracking well at this point.

| Income & Expenditure Summary | | |
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| to 30 June 2021 | | |
| | YTD | BUDGET |
| Collection Income | \$ 47,280 | \$ 45,680 |
| Other Income | \$ 23,428 | \$ 28,527 |
| Total Income | \$ 70,708 | \$ 74,207 |
| Less | | |
| Support of Clergy | \$ 16,411 | \$ 16,500 |
| ADW Levies | \$ 6,667 | \$ 6,570 |
| Parish Expenses | \$ 39,863 | \$ 62,485 |
| Total Expenses | \$ 62,941 | \$ 85,555 |
| Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit) | \$ 7,767 | \$ (11,348) |

CONTEMPLATIVE RETREAT – advance notice. To be held Friday 15 and Saturday 16 October 2021. Friday 6pm to 9pm, Saturday 8am to 8pm. There will be information on church noticeboards during the next 2 weeks or email karen@moynagh.co.nz and she will send you a flyer.

MAORI PASTORAL CARE SPECIAL COLLECTION A reminder to parishioners with envelopes for this special collection that the due date is 22 August 2021. As with all Special Collections, if you miss the due date your envelopes can be put in the collection basket at any time and your gifting will be passed on to the respective beneficiaries.

THE VOICE FOR LIFE CONFERENCE will be held in Wellington on 3 and 4 September at the Abundant Life Church in Te Aro starting at 7pm on the 3rd. If you want to be a voice for the voiceless in this new season of pro-life action, please visit voiceforlife.org.nz/events/conference for more information and to register. Registrations close Friday 27 August.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, RICHMOND

THANK YOU TO FR LARRY who, weather permitting, has been our guide and leader during Fr Seph's absence. This is the last weekend that Fr Larry will celebrate Mass for us and it is fitting that it is a Family Mass gathering.

FR SEPH returns to the fold next weekend.

A SCRIPTURE GROUP is being started by Mary and Doug Hill. They invite you to join them. The first meeting will be held in the Parish Hall from 11am to 12 noon Friday 20 August (not

13 August as previously announced.) All are welcome.

MOTHERS PRAYERS We are a small group who pray for families, especially our own. We meet on the third Thursday of each month, 1045 to 1130. Our next meeting is this Thursday 19 August. For more information please phone Anne 544 7883/027 544 7883 or Kath 970 6754/027 4523948.

TUI MOTU AND MARIST MESSENGER MAGAZINES there are recent back copies of these excellent magazines available in the foyer. Do have a look and take one home to read.

HOLY WATER and containers are available in the Vestry, to the left of the double doors as you enter the church. Please help yourself if you would like to have holy water.

ST PETER CHANEL, MOTUEKA

MULTI CULTURAL SUNDAY will be celebrated once again at the 9 30am Mass on Sunday 15 August, the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, the patron saint of Aotearoa, New Zealand.

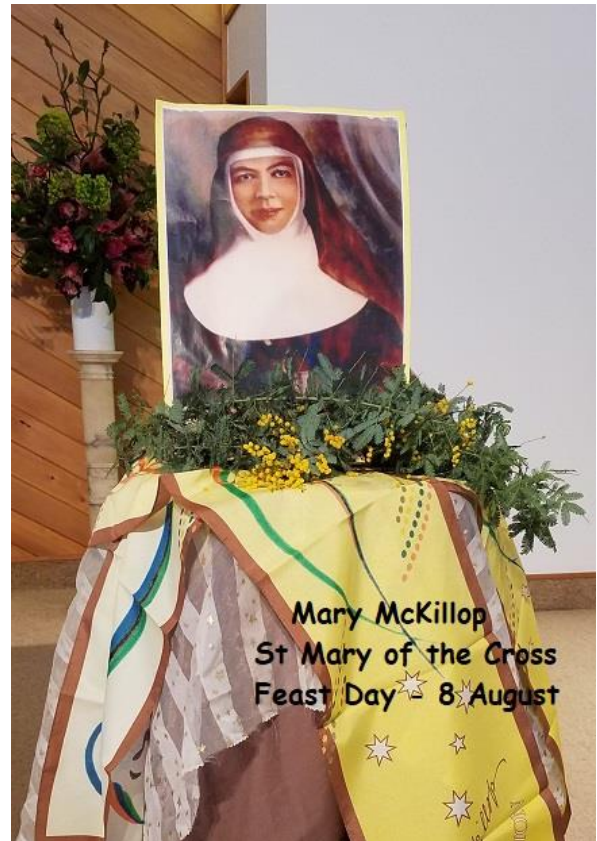
Our Mass Liturgy will involve as many nations as possible and we would love to see you in your country's **traditional dress**. After Mass, in our Church hall, (next to the school,) we will celebrate this wonderful day with a **shared early lunch** for all our parish community. Please bring **finger food** (no dinner plate food) to share, this might be something you eat in your own country.

We will have ovens on if you need to keep something warm. Tea and coffee provided and juice for the young ones. Last time we held this celebration, two years ago, it was a huge success! It brings our church family together as one loving community. If you need transport please contact Angie 021 02203196.

THE SPC LEADERSHIP GROUP MEETING will be held on Tuesday 17 August at 5.15pm in the presbytery office.

SPECIAL THANKS TO JUDY ROPER for the church flowers for the month of July. Awesome job!

WE CELEBRATED the August 8 feast day of St Mary of the Cross (Mary McKillop) with this display.



PLEASE REMEMBER in your prayers the elderly, lonely and sick in our community. Peter Goodman, Bryan Hamilton, Maureen Fon, Marie Douglas, Ron Sharp and John Clifford.

LAUDATO SI - Things we can do to care for Creation



ST PETER CHANEL ROSTER
14/15 & 21/22 August 2021

| Date | Sat 14th | Sun 15th | Sat 21st | Sun 22nd |
|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Greeter | Elaine Taggart | Sarah Lane | Robin & Wendy McGregor | Dinky Nugent |
| Music | | Fran Peacey | | Josie Moriarty |
| Prayers | Fran Peacey | | Jim Maguire | |
| Readers | J Roper | S & V Cameron | R Harries | E Stolten & F Peacey |
| Eucharistic | M Devine & K Courtney | M Marquet & K O'Gorman | M Lucas | S & V Cameron |
| Children | | Emma Paaka | | Luisa |
| Altar Servers | | Tricia & Ayesha | | Warren & Ivan |
| AM Tea | | A & S Lane | | C Buenz & P Duncan |
| Cleaning | | | S Bins & L Stephens | |