



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

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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Exodus 16: 2 - 4, 12 - 15; Ephesians 4: 17, 20 - 24; John 6: 24 - 35

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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I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

In our Gospel today, many followers of God are puzzled about what Jesus wants them to do. The religions of the world are people's attempts to answer this question. But Jesus' response is brief and simple: we must believe in Him whom God has sent. Satisfying God does not come from the work we do, but from whom we believe. The first step involves accepting that Jesus is who he claims to be. All spiritual development is built on this affirmation. True believers follow Jesus simply because they know he has truth and his way is the way to live.

People eat bread to satisfy a physical hunger and to sustain physical life. We can satisfy spiritual hunger and sustain spiritual life only with the right relationship with Jesus Christ. No wonder he called himself "the bread of life." But bread must be eaten to sustain life and Christ must be invited into our daily walk to sustain spiritual life.

Nga Mihi

Jeremy Cummings, DRS, Garin College



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QUOTE FROM POPE FRANCIS When we receive Communion, we receive the very life of God. To have this life it is necessary to nourish ourselves of the Gospel and of the love of our brothers and sisters. *Angelus 19 August 2018.*

WESTPORT FLOODING. Fr David sends his thanks on behalf of his parish, to those of you who have generously contributed to the parish relief fund. Many of the families who were severely affected by the flooding, have been able to move back into their homes, and are now faced with the mammoth task of the cleanup and rebuilding their lives. There will continue to be an ongoing need as people understand what they have lost and how to replace furniture etc.

Financial assistance is still the best way for us to reach out and assist. When we last spoke with Fr David nearly \$2,000 had been donated. Apologies for the confusion with the bank account number in last weeks newsletter. We confirm the email sent to parishioners earlier in the week that the correct number is **BNZ 02 0536 0146729 01**. It is the last two numbers that have changed. The reference of flood relief is still applicable.

OUR LADY OF THE BAYS, PARISH ADMINISTRATOR, 15 HOURS PER WEEK

We are looking for an appropriately experienced person to work from the Parish Centre in Richmond. The main responsibility of the role is to support our Parish Priests and the Chairs of the Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Finance Committee.

This includes ensuring all general administration requirements are completed on time, within budget and to a high standard.

The successful applicant will be a New Zealand resident or citizen. Previous administrative expertise and experience, along with proven knowledge and experience of common software and internet applications, is required. These skills will be matched with strong interpersonal skills, flexibility, the ability to prioritise tasks, empathy and confidentiality.

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 Wednesday 11 August 2021.

GARIN COLLEGE MASS OF THE ASSUMPTION AND FATHER GARIN The college invites our faith community to our Mass of Assumption and Father Garin on Friday 13 August at 1130am in the college gym. During our service we will celebrate Mary our Mother and Father Garin, both of whom are inspirational to our faith. We are also providing a light snack in our College Staffroom following the Service.

NOVENA IN PREPARATION FOR REDEDICATION OF NZ TO MARY ASSUMED INTO HEAVEN On Sunday 15 August, our land will be solemnly rededicated by all our bishops to Our Lady at St Mary of the Angels church on Wellington. In preparation for this, the Catholic Enquiry Centre will post a short reflection and prayer each day beginning Saturday 7 August on the Catholic Discovery Facebook page. We invite all to take part in praying for our nation each day.
www.facebook.com/catholicdiscovery.nz

DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN – Some background – Dove Fellowship's vision is for women from all walks of life, to bond together in the power of the Holy Spirit, to effect a force for good in the nation and to become instrumental in building up family and parish life, providing support for one another.

The primary focus of Dove Fellowship is to lead women to a personal and ongoing relationship with Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour; to become fully immersed in the life of the Church and to become effective evangelisers. The emphasis is women's ministry to women in gentleness and love as exemplified by Mary, Mother of God and Mother of the Church.

We are a national organization which began in Auckland and there are currently groups in five centres around the country.

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

TAIZE HOUR will be held Tuesday 10 August at St Francis of Assisi Chapel in Songer St at 7.30pm. All are welcome to join us for a reflective prayer time with Taize song and verse and candlelight. Contact Diane Renwick 547 3356/021 1785752.

SECTION WANTED Seeking a section for a new house build. Prefer Ruby Bay or Tasman area. Semi rural, private, sunny, quiet, close to sea or sea view. Call Angela on 021 861612.

ROLE VACANCY Deputy Executive Officer, NZ Catholic Bishops Conference – This role provides support for the work of the Catholic Bishops and their agencies at national level in the Catholic Church in Aotearoa New Zealand. The role is based in the Catholic Centre, Hill St, Wellington. More information is available on www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/nzcbc-deputyeo

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR AS YOURSELF – GET VACCINATED The NZ Catholic Bishops are urging you to get vaccinated to protect yourself, your whanau and your community. You will also be protecting those who cannot receive the vaccination; those with underlying health conditions who would be at higher risk of catching the virus and young children. The Pfizer vaccine is safe and effective and has been given to hundreds of millions of people worldwide. For more detailed information visit www.get-vaccinated-catholic.co.nz

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, RICHMOND

ROSTERS Co-ordinators may have already been in contact asking for availability for Sept, Oct and Nov. Please assist them by responding with your availability at the earliest opportunity.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION this Thursday 5 August 10am to 5pm. We welcome new

members. Please phone Joan on 03 542 3707 if you are able to put aside 30 minutes for prayer once a month. God Bless.

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.

ST PETER CHANEL, ST VINCENT DE PAUL The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 3 August at 3pm in the Church foyer. All are welcome. A reminder that there is a bin in the foyer for any food donations. All non expired food is greatly appreciated. Contact Cherie on 021 466554 for any further information.

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS REQUIRED If anyone has a fridge/freezer and a washing machine for sale to fit into a one bedroom flat please contact Matt O'Donoghue on 022 0356624. Many thanks.

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.

ST JOSEPH'S, WAKEFIELD

It was with great sadness that we learnt of the sudden passing of Brian Duncan earlier this week. Brian was the Chair of the Wakefield Leadership Group. He and his family have been

very involved with not only the Wakefield church community but Brian was a teacher at Wakefield school for many years. His wisdom, communication style and care for others will be greatly missed. A Requiem Mass was held at OLPH in Richmond on Friday morning. Please keep Brian, his wife Marea, his children Jenny and Kerry and all his family and friends in your prayers. May he Rest In Peace.

SACRED HEART, TAKAKA

ST ANDREWS SOUP & DESSERT LUNCHEON will be held at 12 noon Wednesday 4 August, at the Takaka Bowling Club, Hiawatha Lane. \$12 per person with half of the proceeds going to the Men's Shed.

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St Peter Chanel Leadership Group Information

Once the 5 Church communities amalgamated into Our Lady of the Bays parish, individual parish councils ceased to exist. Instead there is now and has been for some time one Parish Council, made up of representatives of the 5 Church communities, a chairperson, the Parish administrator and the Parish Priest. A Parish Finance Committee was also formed

In order to help with the continuing issues and administrative tasks pertaining to each individual Church community, it was decided that each of those communities would have a Leadership Group, made up of interested people from those communities who would meet regularly and deal with the day to day running of that community.

So that group would deal with issues relating to building maintenance, repairs to equipment, etc and get things done without necessarily having to go to the Parish Council or Finance Committee

However the group also looks at the pastoral needs of the community, with formation of a liturgy team, for example.

The members of the St Peter Chanel Leadership group are: Jim Maguire, 0272239766, Erin Dugdale 0273095987, Elaine Taggart 0212562941, John Farrelly 03 5389063, Margaret Jones 0210474894, Margaret McAuley-Campbell 0276588883, Ange Lucas 02102203196 and Father Paul 0272375196 and can be contacted if there are any local Church issues which need to be brought to the attention of the Leadership group.

As regards the maintenance and upkeep of the church and grounds, some may have noticed new hand sanitizers in bathroom, a new electric hot water heater has been installed in the sacristy, new carpark spotlights on North western side of church for those dark nights, light bulbs in church replaced, pot holes in church exit driveway continue to be fixed (ongoing issue), the rental flats have been brought up to code, with HRV systems, heat pumps, extraction fans and underfloor

insulation. The church exterior was professionally cleaned in January, along with the presbytery and it's garage. We employ Tracey to clear and maintain our gardens, and she kindly takes away a lot of the garden waste for us. The foyer carpet was cleaned professionally after Christmas and the portico roof repaired.

A few months ago, we were fixing some lights in presbytery and it was discovered there were rotten perlings in the roof. We've obtained quotes to repair and are waiting for better weather to start this major repair.

If you see anything else that needs our attention, please ring one of the committee.

ST PETER CHANEL ROSTER
31 July/1 August & 7/8 August 2021

Date	Sat 31st	Sun 1st	Sat 7th	Sun 8th
Greeter	Robin & Wendy McGregor	Mary Kilmartin	Shelley Fry	Michael & Neri Orchiston
Music		Hemon & Katie		Mary Wilson
Prayers	Fran Peacey		Margaret Jones	
Readers	R Harries	E Stolten & V Dugdale	K Courtney	M Kilmartin & P Beban
Eucharistic	M Lucas	J Moriarty & E Taggart	A LeLong & D Ogilvie	H Duncan & A Lane
Children		Eric		Hamish
Altar Servers		Warren & Ivan		Finn & Dominic
AM Tea		Philippine Community		E Taggart & Z Ogilvie
Cleaning				