



If you are new to our parish (or you know of any newcomers), please make yourself known, so that we can make sure you are made to feel a welcome part of the church community and the parish as a whole.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP 35 William St, Richmond

FUNDRAISING TO OPPOSE EUTHANASIA Label pins for sale in foyer. \$10.

There will be **NO MASS** on Tuesday 23rd April

ST JOSEPH'S 62 Pitfure Rd, Wakefield

There will be **NO MASS** on Thursday 25th April ANZAC day.

ST PETER CHANEL 423 High St, Motueka

There will be **MASS** on Thursday 25th April at 9.30am on ANZAC day.



ANZAC DAY · 25 APRIL

Lest We Forget

PLEASE NOTE: NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Wednesday midnight.

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

ARE YOU OR YOUR FAMILY celebrating a significant event/birthday.

Please help us celebrate with you by letting us know on 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 / Wed 9.30am / Fri 9.30am
St Peter & Paul, Waimea West	5pm on 4th Sat of the month (next Mass 27th April)
St Joseph, Wakefield	Sun 8am No Mass
Sacred Heart, Takaka	Sun 5pm (all year round)

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

* Reconciliation: After weekday mass or by appointment with the priest.



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

21st April 2019

EASTER SUNDAY

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Readings: Acts 10:34,37-43; Psalm 117; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

Psalm: This is the day of the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Next Sunday readings: Acts 5:12-16; Psalm 117; Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19; John 20:19-31

Jesus is alive!



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AROUND OUR LADY OF THE BAYS PARISH

On this most joyous day of our Catholic year, we are called to celebrate together the reality of the resurrection and a promise fulfilled for people.

This is an opportunity for us all to reflect on our personal Lenten journey of the last forty days, how have we grown closer to God through our small sacrifices? What more could we have done? It is also a chance for us to reflect on the growth of understanding for the difficulties that immigrants to our country face day-to-day, in being accepted for their beliefs and practices, that our whole nation has gone through, since the violence of 15th April. The current feeling of unity and hope for a better future, could be what the new followers of Jesus may have begun to experience as the rumours spread about Jesus being alive after all, in the time following that first Easter Sunday, a feeling that the worse had happened and that things would only improve from here on out.

Those feelings would have in no way measured up to what the disciples felt on the Sunday morning they discovered the tomb was empty, this was Jesus' prophesy come into being. The same faith that had drawn them to leave everything they knew to follow Jesus, now told them that the greatest miracle had been performed and He was alive once more.

This joy and faith would be tested in the years to come as they fulfilled Jesus' commands of spreading the Good News. Yet on that Sunday morning, how amazed they must have been to think that the grief they had so recently experienced could be set aside, and this man who was the epitome of love was going to walk amongst them once more.

Marg Campbell-McCauley
Principal - St Peter Chanel School

LENT REFLECTION - EASTER SUNDAY It is quite impossible to comprehend the range of emotions that the disciples of Jesus moved through over the days of his final suffering, crucifixion and resurrection. Such heights and depths of emotional trauma and joy cannot be imagined. They must be experienced, and such experience is the key to understanding the Easter event. Christian faith did begin with an actual and real historical event: God became human in Jesus (the Incarnation). In Jesus, God lived and breathed, he walked and worked. He loved and was loved. He was hated and suffered. Jesus was put to death as a criminal. Yes these were all actual historical events. We know this to be true since even the accounts of secular historians verify these happenings. But with the Easter event in which God raises Jesus from death, we celebrate Jesus Christ as a living and present event. Relationship with Jesus is available to us as a real and living contemporary intimacy.

What does this mean, to speak of Jesus as living and present: a 'contemporary experience'? It means that Jesus is alive! This present reality is the heart of our faith – thanks be to God. Christian Faith is not applications and reflections from Jesus as a wise moral teacher. Such a misunderstanding would reduce Christianity to a moral and legal code for life. Very quickly this descends into oppressive moralism and rigid legalism. This is not the Catholic Faith! Instead Catholic faith proclaims that we are never alone. Jesus, is God-with-us. In every sacramental celebration we begin by acknowledging our need for Him. And, especially in our darkest moments, he gifts to us the light of morning: the hope of Easter dawning.

Fr. John O'Connor www.foodforfaith.org.nz

EUTHANASIA BILL The Care Alliance who started a nation-wide petition to all MP's urging them to vote 'NO' to the End of Life Choice Euthanasia Bill.

Some of you have already taken the opportunity to sign this petition. If you have not yet done so, and you will be eligible to vote in next year's election, you can still sign online: This petition has the full backing of the NZ Bishops.

Go to www.carealliance.org.nz and simply click on the "Sign the Petition" button.

SVDP VACANCY - Richmond Shop Manager. A vacancy has now occurred as Margaret Pattison is stepping down from this position having completed many successful years leading the best little shop in town. If you are interested in this voluntary position involving approximately 5 - 8 hours per week, please contact Ray Firth, President Richmond Conference: phone 927 6827, or 027 283 1039.

LAUDATO SI' Things you can do to look after our common home Boycott "fast fashion". It is ruining our planet as it is not sustainable. Acquire less but better. And remember that buying at Op shops is the most sustainable way you can clothe yourself.

OLOB SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2019 We are taking names of candidates for this year's Sacramental Programme consisting of Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Each of these will involve 3 or 4 preparation sessions for the candidates and candidates' parents, run after Mass on the Sundays preceding. The Sacramental Programme will begin with Confirmation, with the first session getting underway towards the end of June. If you have a child aged 8 years or older and wish to enrol them in this year's programme, please make contact before 26 May.

Richmond: Jamie Morris 027 455 9983 or email the19thnelson@hotmail.com

Motueka: Catherine Campbell 021 058 7761 or email catherine@catherinetalks.com

Takaka: Susi Struck email susibeyond@gmail.com

FOR GIVING - Our bank account number is: **02-0747-0066112-00.**

Please use surname & initials as Particulars and /or planned giving number as Reference.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY—FEBRUARY 2019

Income & Expenditure Summary		
	Feb-19	YTD
Collection Income	\$ 14,992	\$ 168,732
Other Income	\$ 6,130	\$ 85,946
Total Income	\$ 21,122	\$ 254,678
Less		
Support of Clergy	\$ 4,271	\$ 55,818
ADW Levies	\$ 1,735	\$ 22,676
Parish Expenses	\$ 15,052	\$ 163,165
Total Expenses	\$ 21,058	\$ 241,659
Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 64	\$ 13,019