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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

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30th Sunday in Ordinary time

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Jeremiah 31: 7 – 9; Hebrews 5: 1 – 6; Mark 10: 46 - 52

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 5.00pm

Weekdays Mass

MOTUEKA Tuesday and Thursday
9.30am

RICHMOND Wednesday and
Friday 9.30am

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“They will cry and pray as I bring them home. They won’t stumble as I will lead them along a level road to streams of water”.

The Lord’s words are like holding a sheltering umbrella over the heads of the people. God shepherds the people through the desert to a promised land ‘flowing with milk and honey’. Amidst the hardship they are cradled in God’s loving arms. The First Reading is a cause for hope and joy for the people of God especially the “lost, the homeless, the disabled, the disadvantaged, those with child” - all are given hope and can rejoice in the loving intervention of their God. The ‘journey’ is emphasised - the people will be led beside brooks of running water. This is such a soothing image for people who are in the grip of the fear of defeat, destruction and slavery. We can liken this to the uncertainty of our lives today - there is so much to take in with the global effects of Covid-19, climate change, and constant news of violence and corruption in our world. In this Reading the Lord promises to make the peoples’ path straight and smooth without stones or bumps they might stumble over. He does the same for us.

We can see how this matches with this week’s Gospel. Jesus has become human in order to show the way to salvation. He takes the blindness from those who cannot see and sets them down on the road to follow him. We find Bartimaeus in today’s Gospel story, a blind beggar, sitting beside the road, crying out for Jesus who is passing by on his way up to Jerusalem. Asking to be made whole and to receive his sight, Bartimaeus is told by Jesus to go on his way, that his faith has made him well. He receives his sight and follows Jesus along the road. How reassuring it is that we can call out to Jesus as Bartimaeus did. Not only did this blind man recognise who Jesus was, he also realised what Jesus could do. Jesus responds with the classic call to discipleship, “Call him here.” We too, can respond to Jesus’ call to come closer.

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QUOTE FROM POPE FRANCIS “Do I have compassion on people? Compassion for the lives of those we meet, like Jesus has done with me, with you, with all of us, he drew near with compassion. Let us look at the Crucified Lord, completely immersed in our wounded history and we will discover God’s way of doing things.” Angelus 17 October 2021.

MASS REGISTRATIONS Hopefully those of you who wish to attend a Mass on Saturday or Sunday this week were able to register or have someone register for you.

Go to <https://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/mass-registrations/>

During Alert Level 2 the dispensation from the Sunday obligation to attend Mass is in place for people who are cautious or concerned, who are vulnerable or at risk because of age or health issues, or who cannot find a place at Mass.

Please note that when registering you can only do so for the current week. **Registrations open at 9am on a Wednesday and close at 12 noon on a Friday.** Unfortunately there is not the ability within the system for a waiting list system if you find the mass you wish to attend is already at capacity. There is also no ability to make a change from one mass to another once a registration has been completed.

Scanning the QR Code or signing in is essential before entering the church. Registration is not a substitute for scanning.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE feedback on the registration process please email it to ourlady.newsletter@gmail.com

REMEMBER THE WEEKDAY MASSES on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Motueka and on Wednesdays and Fridays in Richmond. There is no need to register for these masses and the numbers attending will be significantly lower.

2022 COLUMBAN ART CALENDARS are now available in the church foyers. Price \$12.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS The collection for **Mission Sunday** is 24 October 2021. The Special Collection for **Maori Pastoral Care** was unable to be taken in August. It is not too late to contribute to this appeal, your envelopes can

be put in the plate at any time.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY The new dates for the fundraising stall at the hospital to raise funds for this chaplaincy are 27, 28 and 29 October. Saleable items will be gratefully received. Baking is very popular as are jam, marmalade and chutneys. Knitting, sewing, bric a brac, books, current magazines, garden produce and citrus fruit always sell well.

A donation of goods or cash will make a difference in support of this chaplaincy. Goods can be delivered to the hospital or the foyer of OLPH church in Richmond. For more info or if you need a collection from your home call Karen on 027 2457800 or karen@moynagh.co.nz Thank you

DAY ASIDE will run on Friday 29 Oct 9.30am to 2.30pm at St Barnabas Church, Stoke. There will be a contemplative walk in the nearby Isel Park. For further information see the poster on the back page or call Ruth Henry on 021 0429530.

HEARTS AFLAME needs your support. This is a national Catholic event for young adults that has been running for 30 years. At Hearts, people are drawn into a deeper relationship with Christ through the Sacraments, formation, and community. Many participants describe it as life-changing. With the 30th anniversary coming up, the Hearts Aflame Planning Team invites parishioners to support this event. If you would like to make a donation, please visit the website at www.heartsaflame.org.nz/donate/. Above all, prayer is always appreciated!

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, RICHMOND

ROSIE AND BEN HANCOX will be presenting their youngest daughter Annabella for baptism at Mass this Sunday. Please keep them and their extended family in your prayers.

FOYER Please collect a Welcom if you have not already done so. The publications for September and October are available.

There are also Prayer Cards from Fr Hayden Powick sm and cards for the Rededication of Aotearoa NZ to Mary.

Back copies of the Marist Messenger and Tui Motu are on the seat under the pamphlet stand along with the Remembrance Books.

An on site copy of the History and Heritage of the Richmond Catholic Parish is in the stand. If you wish to borrow a copy to read at home please contact Karen on 544 0551.

Do checkout the revamped noticeboards and admire the hard work of Karen and Catherine.

Holy water and containers are available in the Vestry at the back of the church.

SCRIPTURE GROUP because of Covid restructure and family circumstances, this group will be delayed until Feb 2022. We look forward to providing more details for you then, Mary and Doug Hill.

ST PAUL'S FUNDRAISER – for the purchase of Kapa Haka uniforms.



GOLDEN BAY MANUKA BLEND HONEY 500g jar produced by 3Bee \$10 per jar

BOXED ECOSTORE SOAPS Lemongrass or Grapefruit and Mint \$2.50 per soap

ORDERS CAN BE EMAILED TO
claire.dwyer@stpauls-richmond.school.nz

DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN
With all the uncertainty of when we can meet, we have decided to wait until November before we gather again. That is disappointing after the wonderful meeting we had in August. We were so blessed with the number of you who were able to attend. We have a great speaker for

November and we will break with tradition and also gather in December. There is another wonderful speaker then too.

ST PETER CHANEL, MOTUEKA

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACREMENT

will be held every Thursday from 9am to 9.30am and then followed by Holy Mass.

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

SACRED HEART, TAKAKA

SUNDAY MASS TIME is now 5pm for the duration of daylight saving.

Pop up vaccinations will be available as follows:

- 22 Oct – Golden Bay Community Centre
- 23 Oct – Collingwood Health Centre

No appointments necessary

ST PETER AND PAUL, WAIMEA WEST

PLEASE NOTE; THE MONTHLY MASS FOR OCTOBER WILL NOT BE HELD. Further information re Masses for November and December will be advised through the newsletter.

LAUDATO SI – What we can do to help all Creation



82 Nayland Road

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Nelson 7011Spiritual Growth Ministries Invite You To The:

OCTOBER 29th DAY ASIDE

ST BARNABAS CHURCH, STOKE

9.30am-2.30pm

Come and Enjoy a Contemplative Walk



In Picturesque IseI Park

You Will Need: \$10 for the day; Bible, Journal, Lunch, Maybe Camera and/or drawing materials.

Morning Tea Provided.

Please RSVP to Ilene at 021-102-6778 or athlene16@gmail.com