



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

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME** As we welcome back our children to their Sacramental Programme, we would also like to welcome to Mass today Garin College students, Mary Lyons, Taylor Kirk and Lily Wilson and Tony Etchells a teacher from Garin College who are also on their journey toward First Communion. We look forward to supporting them through prayer and friendship.

**Coffee Club and Housie.** The next Coffee Club with & fun Housie is on Friday 7 September, between 2pm and 4pm, at the Parish Centre. All parishioners and friends are invited, especially seniors. If anyone requires transport or info, please call Ray

and Mary Phone 927 6827 .

**Seventh Heaven Family Group.** Today, Sunday 26th August @ 2.30pm we are going to The Grape Escape, McShane Road Richmond for coffee and cake.

**MASS CARDS** A new supply Mass Cards (\$1.80 each) is available in foyer in Richmond.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** our faithful departed anniversaries which are accrued in this week. Elizabeth Mary McCauley, Frances Mary Hayes, Thelma Irene Alder, Rev Fr Louis Leuthard, Shona Ryan, Pauline Anne Hennessy and Marion Jones.

## SACRED HEART 94 Commercial Street, Takaka

**PLEASE REMEMBER** our community members Aelis Pothin and Peter Woods in your prayers.

### 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 / Tues 11.30am / Wed 9.30am / Fri 9.30am
St Peter & Paul, Waimea West	5pm on 4th Sat of the month (next Mass 22nd September)
St Joseph, Wakefield	Sun 8am / Thurs 9.30am
Sacred Heart, Takaka	Sun 4pm (during Winter)

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

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



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To Tatou Wahine O Nga Whanga Parahi Katorika

# OUR LADY OF THE BAYS

MOTUEKA • RICHMOND • TAKAKA • WAIMEA WEST • WAKEFIELD

26th August 2018

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

ISSUE 65

**Readings:** Joshua 24:1-2,15-18 Ephesians 5:21-32; John 6:60-69

**Psalm:** Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

**Next Sunday readings:** Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8; James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

## Master, to whom shall we go?

The long discourse of Jesus on the Holy Eucharist divided his listeners. The teachings of Jesus about himself as the bread of life that comes down from heaven and gives eternal life drew negative reactions and sharp questions. His disciples remarked, This saying is hard; who can accept it?. The gospel presents two contrasting attitudes towards Jesus.

First is an attitude of going away and giving up. "As a result of this, many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him." The defected from Jesus' company. As they could not accept his words, they left him. They abandoned him and they simply walked away from Jesus.

Second is an attitude of Peter. He says "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." Here, we see the loyalty of Peter. He showed his fidelity to Jesus. For Peter, Jesus meant a lot. Jesus was the summit and reason of his life. Jesus himself is life and he is Peter's hope. Thus, there was determination to hold on to Jesus whatever it takes. There was the attitude of solidarity with Jesus whatever it would cost and wherever he would lead them.

So let us now ask ourselves: Without Jesus, where would our life be? Without Jesus, where would we be now? Who are those whom we are imitation or flowing?

Fr. Andrew Kim

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## EVENTS AROUND OUR ARCHDIOCESE

**The Māori Pastoral Care Appeal** (Online, planned giving and envelopes): Saturday, 25 August (Vigil Mass) and Sunday, 26 August 2018. Your prayerful and financial support contributes to work in Māori communities, parishes, schools and groups in the archdiocese. Kia ora tātou katoa, ngā manaakitanga. Thank you all and blessings.

### 'LIVING THE SPLENDOUR OF TRUTH'

International pro-life, pro-family conference: This amazing weekend conference will help you, your family and our entire culture rediscover the newness of the faith and its power to enlighten and transform our communities. This is also once in a lifetime opportunity to meet the daughter of St Gianna Beretta Molla – the

daughter she gave her life for. Experience beautiful liturgies, pray and learn how we can live of Christ and allow Him to encounter our culture– a culture that is in desperate need of His Love and Mercy. 5-7th October. Epsom Girl's Grammar School. Early bird rates apply only for a short time. Register now at [www.fli.org.nz/prolifeconference2018](http://www.fli.org.nz/prolifeconference2018) or phone 09 629 4361.

**NZ CATHOLIC** The Aug. 26 – Sept. 8 issue of NZ Catholic is out now. Some headlines are: NZ bishops to meet Pope. Celebrity chef priest coming to NZ. New qualification on leadership and Catholic culture. Naming the next generation of Catholics. The next issue of NZ Catholic will be published on September 9.

## REMINDERS & EVENTS AROUND OUR PARISH

**LAUDATO SI'** - Things you can do to cherish our planet and each other. "Who made your clothes?" People around

the world are being exploited to make us cheap clothing. Are you inadvertently supporting this?

### Making Things Right – The Sacrament of Reconciliation for Children – continued...

Most of the time we try to love God and others the best we can..but sometimes we get selfish. Sometimes we don't show love and concern for others like Jesus did. When we purposely choose to do wrong, we can create ripples of sadness and loneliness. Our choices are wrong when we refuse to show love for God and others when we know we should. When this happens, it weakens our friendship with God because it pulls us away from loving closeness with other people. This can leave us feeling alone and scared and sad. We wish we could make things right again. But how? Saying 'I'm sorry' can help make things right again. The Story of Zaccheus shows us that doing something to make up for what we did wrong can also help put things right again. The story of the Good Shepherd reminds us that when we make wrong choices we are like sheep that wander away from God's love. Jesus is like the Good Shepherd. He wants to find us and bring us back home.

Isn't it great that God loves us so much!

**MEDITATION GROUPS** in both Richmond and Motueka are taking a break. Information will be in the newsletter once a new start date has been confirmed.

**"Faith & Light** You are warmly invited to our monthly Faith & Light Fiesta on Sunday 26th August, at Packham Place off Nayland Rd, Stoke at 12.30pm. (Note change of venue) Faith & Light is founded on the belief that each person with an intellectual disability is fully a person with all the rights of any human being, above all, the right to be loved, recognised and respected for him or herself. Each is unique and has a mysterious value. "God has chosen the weak to confound the

strong". 1 Corinthians 1.27. For further information please phone: Judy 5486253, Margot 5483130.

### WELCOME

Our community of Our Lady of Bays Parish welcome **Lily, Taylor, Mary and Tony**, the Candidates for the Baptism. As thy respond to the call of their Father in heaven and step forward on the journey of faith, let us help them move forward into the light.

## ST PETER CHANEL 423 High St, Motueka

**WOMEN'S ECUMENICAL GATHERING** to welcome Spring. **When:** Tuesday 4th September. Morning tea 9.45am, Worship Service 10.30am followed by a shared luncheon. **Guest Speaker:** Rita Bell from Wakefield. **Where:** St Thomas's Anglican Church auditorium. Please 'Bring a Plate' for shared lunch.

**GOMFADS** An early reminder that the grumpy old men and their younger more cheerful friends will meet at: Brian McNabb's place, 11 Memorial Drive, Motueka on Sunday 26th August at 5 pm. All welcome!

**PLEASE REMEMBER** in your prayers the elderly, lonely, sick and infirmed of our community, especially Bryan Hamilton, Trish Hall, Bill Nugent, Barbara Janson, Nancy Courtney, Tom Inglis, Malcolm

Garrett, Muriel Jackson, Peter Goodman and Therese Dunnill.

**WE REMEMBER AND PRAY** for the soul of Vincent O'donnell who recently passed away. May he rest in peace. We also pray for the family.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** our faithful departed anniversaries which are accrued in this week. (26) Louis Bowering, (27) Ivan Luketina, Les Tomanek, (28) Margaret Susanna McCabe, (29) Patricia Keenan, (30) Nancy (Twinkle) Black and (31) Linda Smith. May they rest in peace.

**ANOINTING MASS** will be held on the first Thursday of every month at the St Peter Chanel Church Chapel during 9.30am weekday mass. Everyone welcome. Next anointing mass is at 9.30am on 6th of September.