



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

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

2nd April 2023

Palm Sunday of The Passion of The Lord

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Isaiah 50: 4-7; Philippians 2: 6-11; Matthew 26: 14-27:66

MASS TIME

Sunday Mass

RICHMOND

Sunday 9.30am

MOTUEKA

Sunday 9.30am

WAKEFIELD

Vigil Mass 5pm, 2nd Sat each month

WAIMEA WEST

Vigil Mass 5pm, 4th Sat each month

TAKAKA

Sunday 5pm (winter 4pm)

1st and 3rd Sunday each month

Weekdays Mass

MOTUEKA

Tuesday (Communion Service)

& Friday 9.30am

RICHMOND

Wednesday & Friday 9.30am

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Deadline Wednesday Noon

Today is Passion (Palm) Sunday

“This man really was God’s Son!”



Matthew 27:11-54

The Jews had been longing for a great leader, like one of their Kings of old, who would lead them to victory against the Roman invaders. They thought that Jesus might be that

leader. At this time of Passover many Jews gathered in Jerusalem to remember how God had saved them from slavery. But by his actions he shows everyone that he is no earthly king or soldier – he comes as the King of peace, love and forgiveness. This is why he chose to enter the city riding on a donkey, commonly used for carrying loads, rather than a battle horse. It is important at this time of focusing on the agony and desolation of the passion, that we also remember the fact of the resurrection, as described by the evangelists and witnesses who viewed it from the perspective of the risen Christ ascending into glory.

Markelle Ward - DRS - Garin College.



OUR LADY OF THE BAYS

Quote Pope Francis, Homily 10/04/2022

"When we resort to violence, we show that we no longer know anything about God, or even about others. We lose sight of why we are in the world and even end up committing senseless acts of cruelty. We see this in the folly of war, where Christ is crucified yet another time. Christ is once more nailed to the Cross in mothers who mourn the unjust death of husbands and sons. He is crucified in refugees who flee from bombs with children in their arms. He is crucified in the elderly left alone to die; in young people deprived of a future; in soldiers sent to kill their brothers and sisters. Christ is being crucified there, today."



DON'T FORGET TO PUT THE CLOCK BACK ONE HOUR THIS SATURDAY, 1ST APRIL

Special Collections for April

- Good Friday 7th April - Holy Places
- Sunday 9th April - Easter Sunday
- Donations can be made online (specify as Holy Places or Easter Sunday) or in the brown special envelopes (available in the church foyer at Richmond and Motueka).
- Note, only special collection envelopes received on Good Friday will go to the Holy Places collection

THE WAY OF THE CROSS PROCESSION

Leaves the Tahuna Beach car park at 11am. And makes it way into town, finishing at the Church steps, around 1pm. There are a few stops for Stations of the Cross reflections. All welcome to join us. For any enquiries call Willie on 0274 625 983

Executive Director vacancy for the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference:

https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/exec-director/?fbclid=IwAR1DtYk7vxQQJl8npDC_g8jh5GrE0tTDY5nnfiCPMPJ6orRSZRfQjpcHNxE



OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, RICHMOND

Eucharist Adoration will not take place on the first Thursday of April as it is Holy Thursday.

Our next Adoration day will now be **13th April 10am till 3pm**. All welcome to attend and spend quiet time with Our Lord.

Christian Meditation

We meet at 7.30 every Monday, but no meditation on Easter Monday 10th April

ST PETER CHANEL, MOTUEKA

Please pray for the elderly, lonely and sick in our community 

Reconciliation after Mass on Friday or by appointment

ST PETER AND PAUL, WAIMEA WEST



There will be a working bee at Waimea West cemetery on Sat 22 April 9am-12.30pm. Please bring gardening tools and something for morning tea. If wet, we'll clean the church

Date			Time	Location
2 April	Palm Sunday	Sunday Mass	9.30am 9.30am 4.00pm	St Peter Chanel; Motueka OLPH; Richmond Sacred Heart; Takaka
4 April	Tuesday	Chrism Mass	11.00am	St Mary's; Blenheim
6 April	Holy Thursday	Mass of the Lord's Supper	7.00pm	St Peter Chanel; Motueka ONLY MASS
7 April	Good Friday	Morning Prayers	9.00am	Our Lady of Perpetual Help; Richmond
		Passion of Our Lord	3.00pm 3.00pm	St Peter Chanel; Motueka OLPH; Richmond
8 April	Saturday	Morning Prayers	9.00am	OLPH; Richmond
		Vigil	7.00pm	OLPH; Richmond ONLY MASS (No Vigil at Wakefield)
9 April	Easter Sunday	Sunday Mass	9.30am 9.30am 4.00pm	OLPH; Richmond St Peter Chanel; Motueka Sacred Heart; Takaka

