



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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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Ezekiel 2: 2 – 5, 2 Corinthians 12: 7 – 10, Mark 6: 1 - 6

'Jesus the prophet'

In the time of Jesus, Nazareth was a little town in the hill country of Galilee. Jesus spent his childhood there living with his parents Mary and Joseph. During a return visit to Nazareth he found that he was not welcome anymore. Many of the people who heard him teach asked, "How can he do all this? Where did he get such wisdom and the power to work these miracles? Isn't he the carpenter, the son of Mary? Aren't James, Joseph, Judas, and Simon his brothers? Don't his sisters still live here in our town?" The people were very unhappy because of what he was doing. But Jesus said, "Prophets are honoured by everyone, except the people of their hometown and their relatives and their own family." Jesus could not work any miracles there, except to heal a few sick people by placing his hands on them. He was surprised that the people did not have any faith.

Mark's Gospel portrays Jesus as suffering a similar fate to that of Ezekiel and the other Jewish prophets of old - rejection of him and his message. Jesus is profoundly affected by the way people react to him, mistrust here somehow disables him. His ministry amongst his own people is limited by their lack of trust and so he moves on and never returns to Nazareth again.

It seems hard to believe that Jesus would never return to Nazareth again. Rejection felt like weakness for Jesus, as it does for us. Being content with our weaknesses does not come easy. We can get beaten down by our own failures or mistakes and feel inadequate before others and before God. But God waits on our weaknesses to bloom so that through them His purpose may be revealed. We must believe in the person of Jesus. We can rejoice in forgiving and being forgiven. We can affirm others and share with them the love of Christ.

"Weakness and suffering enable the Christian to clear a space within himself or herself where the power of himself or herself where the power of Christ can dwell."

Adrian Nocent OSB.

Markelle Ward - ADRS - Garin College

Adapted from www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/liturgy-prayer/liturgy/

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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ST JOSEPH'S WORK reminds us that God himself, in becoming man, did not disdain work. The loss of employment that affects so many of our brothers and sisters and has increased as a result of the Covid 19 pandemic, should serve as a summons to review our priorities. Let us implore St Joseph the Worker to help us find ways to express our firm conviction that no young person, no person at all, no family should be without work. *Pope Francis: Patris Corde*

WE GIVE THANKS AND CONTINUE TO KEEP FR SEPH IN OUR PRAYERS as he celebrates the 17th anniversary of his ordination this Saturday 3 July.

A REMINDER THAT THE DAY WITH THE PASSIONISTS in being held in the church hall on Saturday 3 July commencing at 9.30am. Paul Traynor will be leading the day. Please bring something to share for lunch.

THERE WILL BE A JUBILEE MASS of Thanksgiving for ADW Priestly Anniversaries held in Wellington on 14 July where major 2020 and 2021 milestone anniversaries will be acknowledged. The list of these is available on church noticeboards and includes Cardinal John's 25th anniversary of consecration as a bishop in 1995.

THE NZ CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE has chosen *Te Ara o Maria: Mary's Way* as the formal name of the proposal to renew the country's dedication to Our Lady Assumed into Heaven. A formal Mass for the renewal will be celebrated at St Mary of the Angels Church in Wellington on 15 August, the Feast of the Assumption, followed by a hikoi of a new artwork of Mary and Jesus around Aotearoa New Zealand. A statement announcing the name is online at www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/te-ara-o-maria-name/

'ALIVE IN THE SPIRIT' – Virtual Conference 8-10 July – Reconnect, Renew, Reimagine Catholic Community and Mission at the *Pastoral Ministry Virtual Conference*. Inspiration and Formation for everyone engaged in the life of our Church. Registration is AU\$40, which the Parish will cover. For more information go to

aliveinthespirit.com.au

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, RICHMOND

MID WINTER CHRISTMAS TEA PARTY AFTER MASS SUNDAY 4 JULY. Please come and join us for some fun after Mass on that day for a shared morning tea. If you are able to bring a plate of Christmas themed food to shared that would be wonderful. Also bring your favourite Christmas hat, shirt, scarf, earrings, etc to wear. We look forward to welcoming you all to this celebration.

IF YOU ARE AVAILABLE to assist with the set up of the hall from 5pm on Saturday we would love to see you.

ARE YOU ABLE TO VOLUNTEER A FEW HOURS OF YOUR TIME EVERY 3 MONTHS?

We are looking for a parishioner (or 2) willing to co-ordinate and produce 3 Ministry rosters. The next round of rosters are due for main collation by 11 August and a few hours would be required from late July to put these together. For more information please contact Adrienne Hill on 021 526404 or howard_adrienne@xtra.co.nz

THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SHOP in Richmond has been doing a brisk trade in winter clothing and stocks are not being replenished as quickly as we need. PLEASE if you are having a clearout of your wardrobe and/or warm bedding, remember us.

Also if you have been thinking of becoming a volunteer, now is the time as we have gaps in our rosters and would welcome some new energy in our team for shop sorting and sales roles. We are also seeking fit drivers for collections and deliveries. Call in at the shop and talk to a Supervisor or phone the office on 544 0893.

AROHA ROPU PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP invites interested people to join them for Matariki Breakfast at the Wooden Spoon 8am Saturday 10 July. Booking is essential so please contact Helen on 027 2747866 before 8 July.

PRAYER GROUP to request prayers for you, your family and friends who are suffering in any way please call either Marie on 5447100,

grayma@xtra.co.nz or Joan on 5423707
joanoneil@xtra.co.nz and their group will pray
for you.

A RING HAS BEEN FOUND in the church hall
kitchen. If you think it might be yours please
contact Chris in the office on 544 8987.

ST PETER CHANEL, MOTUEKA

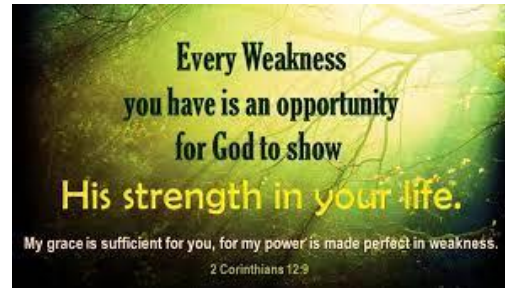
A NEW PARISHIONER to Motueka needs
accommodation to share with another
person(s). Male in my 50s, honest and
trustworthy. If you can help, please call me on
022 0356624 or email
mattodonoghue@hotmail.com Many thanks
Matt O'Donoghue.

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.

LAUDATO SI – Things we can do to help Creation

Let some of that sun give us solar electric power.



Jesus The Prophet



ST PETER CHANEL ROSTER
3/4 and 10/11 July 2021

Date	Sat 3rd	Sun 4th	Sat 10th	Sun 11th
Greeter	Shelley Fry	Sarah Lane	Robin & Wendy McGregor	
Music		Josie Moriarty		Hemon & Katie
Prayers	Fran Peacey		Jim Maguire	
Readers	K Courtney	V Cameron & A Dey	J Roper	C & N Campbell
Eucharistic	A Le Long & D Ogilvie	I Macquet & K O'Gorman	M Devine & K Courtney	J Moriarty & E Taggart
Children		Frances		Hamish
Altar Servers		Tricia & Ayesha		Warren & Ivan
AM Tea		Angie & Jim Hee		C & E Buenz
Cleaning	Bruce McIver		M & M McCauley	