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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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19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Kings 19: 4 – 8; Ephesians 4: 30, 5: 2; John 6: 41 - 51

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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Jesus repeats the same **“I am the Bread of Life”** message on multiple occasions during his life, always inviting us to listen to His Gospel and receive the Holy Eucharist.

I AM is God’s own name, which Jesus applies to himself, and he is the Bread of Life. While we relate this message to the Eucharist, we also recognize that Jesus is saying that the real nourishment and food for our lives is found in his teaching, his attitudes and relationships towards his Father, people and everything that the Gospel tells us.

Intrinsic within each of us is a deep yearning to make meaning of life. How did this universe come into being? How did humanity come into being? What is my life purpose? What will happen to me when I die? In the Gospel reading today, Jesus provides the answer to each of these questions. HE is the answer. Our hunger for the meaning of life is satisfied and we have nourishment for living a full life.

With this in mind, we ponder how we live fullness of life in Christ. We can begin our day in prayerful reflection, “What do I intend to do today, to learn, to live and to spread the teachings of Jesus Christ? How can I bring Christ’s love into my home and workplace today? What can I do that will draw those around me closer to the Lord? How can I be a loving presence in all that I do?”

An inspiration for the week ahead, I share this quote from Mother Teresa. Her wisdom reflects the greatest commandment for living a life in Christ. *“It’s not about how much you do, but how much love you put into what you do that counts. Life isn’t worth living, unless lived for other people.”*

Maureen Phillips

Principal, Saint Paul’s School

OUR LADY OF THE BAYS

NOVENA IN PREPARATION FOR REDEDICATION OF NZ TO MARY ASSUMED INTO HEAVEN On Sunday 15 August, our land will be solemnly rededicated by all our bishops to Our Lady at St Mary of the Angels church on Wellington. In preparation for this, the Catholic Enquiry Centre will post a short reflection and prayer each day beginning Saturday 7 August on the Catholic Discovery Facebook page. We invite all to take part in praying for our nation each day.

www.facebook.com/catholicdiscovery.nz

As many people will not be able to attend the Mass in Wellington next Sunday a rededication rite has been produced which will be used at every Mass in NZ on that day.

The National Liturgy Office has prepared two YouTube Videos (links below) to help Catholics across the country learn to sing the himene *Mo Maria*. Over the years the versions, pronunciations and melodies of the hymn have varied from the original written by Bishop Pompallier. This has made it more difficult for us to sing the hymn harmoniously. These videos return to the source, the Hokianga, to learn the original text and melody from the locals. The first is a documentary style introduction to the hymn and the second a more focused teaching with the words on screen to sing along with.

Ctrl and double click on the links to open.

Mo Maria- An introduction

<https://youtu.be/sDFehbr8g6w>

And, Mo Maria- A hymn

<https://youtu.be/c2Yq4rI6Ml8>

Please take the time to click on these and listen to the words and the music before next Sunday.

A website has been created to help promote the bishops' renewal of the dedication of the country to Our Lady Assumed into Heaven. The renewal project has the title *Te Ara a Maria: Mary's Way*, and runs for 12 months from 15 August. The website is www.tearaamaria.nz it contains details of the project and will be updated regularly to include the schedule of the nationwide hikoi of the artwork created for the

project. The hikoi starts on 18 August in Invercargill.

MASS INTENTION ENVELOPES These are now available from each of our churches for parishioners to use if they would like a Mass offered for a special intention. The envelopes can be given directly to your priest (preferable), or placed in the collection basket.

OUR LADY OF THE BAYS, PARISH ADMINISTRATOR, 15 HOURS PER WEEK

We are looking for an appropriately experienced person to work from the Parish Centre in Richmond. The main responsibility of the role is to support our Parish Priests and the Chairs of the Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Finance Committee.

This includes ensuring all general administration requirements are completed on time, within budget and to a high standard.

The successful applicant will be a New Zealand resident or citizen. Previous administrative expertise and experience, along with proven knowledge and experience of common software and internet applications, is required. These skills will be matched with strong interpersonal skills, flexibility, the ability to prioritise tasks, empathy and confidentiality.

A detailed Position Description is available. If you believe you have the requisite experience and abilities please email Adrienne Hill on howard_adrienne@xtra.co.nz for a copy.

Applications will close at 4pm Wednesday 11 August 2021.

**PASSIONIST
FAMILY GROUP
MOVEMENT**



**THE PASSIONIST
FAMILY GROUP**

MOVEMENT aims to build Christian community through the development of extended families. The focus is on caring for, accepting and loving one another.

Despite the clear Christian aims of the

movement, some critics are dismissive, loosely criticising family groups as “just social.” Family Groups are certainly social, and so are the sacraments. Family Groups help the sacraments live in people’s everyday lives. When it comes

to spirituality, don't underestimate the social.

Over the past few weeks we have had a Co-ordinators gathering in conjunction with Holy Family Parish, some "afternoon teas" which incorporated a baby shower and also "knife sharpening", (that must be a first!) a "comfort food" pot luck dinner and no doubt other things that we haven't caught up with. So continue to enjoy each other's company and if you would like to join us, contact Philip or Maria on 027 659 0888.

GARIN COLLEGE MASS OF THE ASSUMPTION AND FATHER GARIN The college invites our faith community to our Mass of Assumption and Father Garin on Friday 13 August at 1130am in the college gym. During our service we will celebrate Mary our Mother and Father Garin, both of whom are inspirational to our faith. We are also providing a light snack in our College Staffroom following the Service.

NELSON DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN. An exciting August meeting! On Saturday **14 August** we are privileged to have **Fr John Rea** as our speaker. Fr John is well known locally for his prayer and healing ministry. Fr John will speak on our scripture from the Song of Songs. There will be Praise and Worship and a chance for prayer. We are hopeful that women from all across our area will join us at the **Parish Centre, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, William St Richmond at 2pm**. We look forward to seeing you. More information if required from Mary 021 1749383. www.dove.org.nz

THE AREA COUNCIL OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL (SVDP) representing Takaka, Motueka, Richmond, Stoke and Nelson made a significant donation recently to help our sisters and brothers in the Westport community. \$10,000 was given to the Mayoral Fund and \$10,000 to the local SVDP Society to keep up their work supporting families.

TAIZE HOUR will be held Tuesday 10 August at St Francis of Assisi Chapel in Songer St at 7.30pm. All are welcome to join us for a reflective prayer time with Taize song and verse and candelight. Contact Diane Renwick 547 3356/021 1785752.

THE NELSON BRANCH OF VOICE FOR LIFE is holding its AGM on 14 August at 1.45pm at the Reformed Church, 15 Burrough, Enner Glynn.

Anyone interested in pro life work here in Nelson is warmly invited to come along. We will be having a guest speaker and discussing how we can support expectant mothers experiencing a crisis pregnancy.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, RICHMOND

NEXT SUNDAY 15 AUGUST is our next Family Mass and will be followed by a morning tea. Please bring a plate to share if you are able to.

This will also be the beginning of the final part of the Sacramental Programme for our children who will celebrate their First Communion on **Sunday 19 September**.

A SCRIPTURE GROUP IS being started by Mary and Doug Hill. They invite you to join them. The first meeting will be held in the Parish Hall from 11am to 12 noon Friday 20 August (not 13 August as previously announced.) All are welcome.

RICHMOND LEADERSHIP GROUP held their meeting earlier in the week. Some of the items discussed were, Progress on the Parish Roll, the Ordination of Hayden Powick in October, options for Parish retreat days, the new parishioner process, social activities and content of the 2021 Parish Pastoral Plan. A full copy of the minutes will be placed on the notice board in the foyer.

TUI MOTU AND MARIST MESSENGER MAGAZINES there are recent back copies of these excellent magazines available in the foyer. Do have a look and take one home to read.

HOLY WATER and containers are available in the Vestry, to the left of the double doors as you enter the church. Please help yourself if you would like to have holy water.

ST PETER CHANEL, MOTUEKA

MULTI CULTURAL SUNDAY will be celebrated once again at the 9 30am Mass on Sunday 15 August, the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, the patron saint of Aotearoa, New Zealand.

Our Mass Liturgy will involve as many nations as possible and we would love to see you in your country's **traditional dress**. After Mass, in our Church hall, (next to the school,) we will celebrate this wonderful day with a **shared early lunch** for all our parish community. Please bring **finger food** (no dinner plate food) to share, this might be something you eat in your own country.

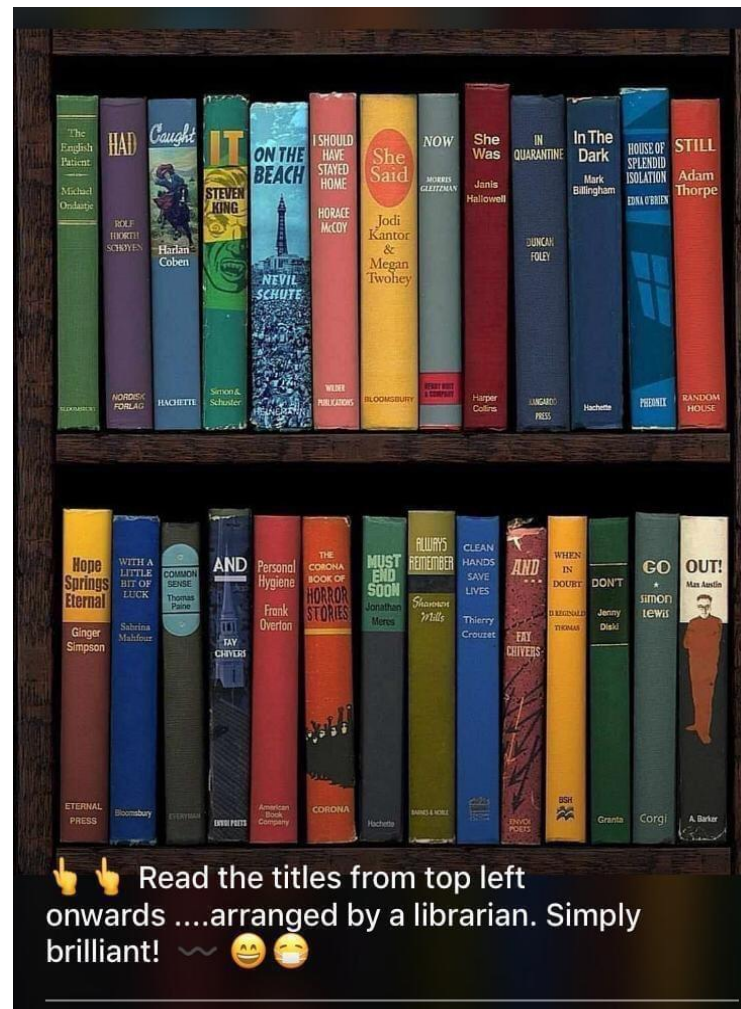
We will have ovens on if you need to keep something warm. Tea and coffee provided and juice for the young ones. Last time we held this celebration, two years ago, it was a huge success! It brings our church family together as one loving community. If you need transport please contact Angie 021 02203196.

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

ST JOSEPH'S, WAKEFIELD

It is with overwhelming gratitude that Jenny, Kerry and I thank you all for the many ways you supported us in the sad passing of Brian. You helped make the loss that much easier to bear. Bless you all, Marea Duncan.

LAUDATO SI Things we can all do to care for Creation.



ST PETER CHANEL ROSTER
7/8 & 14/15 August 2021

Date	Sat 7th	Sun 8th	Sat 14th	Sun 15th
Greeter	Shelley Fry	Michael & Neri Orchiston	Elaine Taggart	Sarah Lane
Music		Mary Wilson		Fran Peacey
Prayers	Margaret Jones		Fran Peacey	
Readers	K Courtney	M Kilmartin & P Beban	J Roper	S & V Cameron
Eucharistic	A LeLong & D Ogilvie	H Duncan & A Lane	M Devine & K Courtney	M Marquet & K O'Gorman
Children		Hamish		Emma Paaka
Altar Servers		Finn & Dominic		Tricia & Ayesha
AM Tea		E Taggart & Z Ogilvie		A & S Lane
Cleaning				