



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

15th May 2022

5th Sunday of Easter

Issue 232

Acts 14: 21-27; Apocalypse 21: 1-5; John 13: 31-35

MASS TIME Sunday Mass

MOTUEKA

Saturday vigil 5.00pm,

Sunday 9.30am

RICHMOND

Sunday 9.30am

WAKEFIELD

Vigil Mass 5pm, 1,2,3 Sat each month

WAIMEA WEST

Vigil Mass 5pm, 4th Sat each month

TAKAKA

Sunday 4.00pm

Weekdays Mass

MOTUEKA

Tuesday and Thursday 9.30am

RICHMOND

Wednesday and Friday 9.30am

CONTACT

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Deadline Wednesday Noon

In this week's gospel we are reminded of God's love for us.

God loves us... Jesus loves us... that's really all that matters

This message is embodied through the following poem, penned by Mother Teresa, who demonstrated God's love... throughout her entire life

It doesn't matter

The man is unreasonable, illogical, and egocentric –
It doesn't matter, love him.

If you do good, they attribute it to your ego –
It doesn't matter, do the good.

if you realise your objectives, you find that you have false friends and true enemies –
It doesn't matter, realise them.

The good you do today is forgotten tomorrow –
It doesn't matter, do the good.

Honesty and sincerity make you vulnerable –
It doesn't matter, be frank and honest.

That which you have constructed in a year is destroyed in a moment –
It doesn't matter, construct.

If you help the people, they resent it –
It doesn't matter, help them.

You give the world the best of yourself and find that you receive a kick –
It doesn't matter, give the best of yourself.

MOTHER TERESA

Angela Francis

Chair

OLOB Parish Finance Committee

OUR LADY OF THE BAYS

Quote from Pope Francis

If I encounter a person sleeping outdoors on a cold night, I can view him or her as an annoyance, an idler, an obstacle in my path, a troubling sight, a problem for politicians to sort out, or even a piece of refuse cluttering a public space. Or I can respond with faith and charity and see in this person a human being with a dignity identical to my own, a creature infinitely loved by the Father, an image of God, a brother or sister redeemed by Jesus Christ. That is what it is to be a Christian!

MORNING RETREAT

A time aside retreat will be held at St Peter Chanel on Friday 27th May. It is being led by Angela Francis and Karen Moynagh from our parish. All are welcome.

A reminder to pick up your annual donation receipts from the church if you contributed to the planned giving last year.

All donations over \$5.00 are eligible for a tax credit. Contact the parish office if you need assistance in claiming your tax credit from IRD.

Financial Statement

Please find attached the summary annual accounts of the parish which show the income and expenditure of the parish over the last year and the parish balance sheet at 31 March 2022 on the email attachment

Friday 27th May

9.30am to 12.30pm

St Peter Chanel Catholic Church,

423 High St, Motueka

You are warmly invited to a Morning Retreat Time presented by
Angela Francis, Ignatian Spirituality NZ and Karen Moynagh



Discernment

We hope to begin promptly at 9.30 with prayer and input on the theme.

This will be followed by a reflection time and morning tea.

The second part of the morning allows your own time to rest in God's presence before we gather together to close our time by 12.30pm.

Cost is \$10 or Koha Useful to bring a bible, your journal or writing material.

Registration of attendance: Ilene Allan please. 021 102 6778

athlene16@gmail.com Car pooling will be arranged so please ask her.

Queries to presenters: Karen 027 245 7800 or Angela 021 861 612

Spiritual Growth Ministries  Masks recommended but optional.

Liturgy Workshop Children's Liturgy & Family Masses

Making Children's liturgy and Family Masses attractive and accessible to children and families



Where: Catholic Church, 35 Williams Street, Richmond

When: 7:30pm, Wednesday 15th June 2022

Register: Contact Maria Archer:

Email: mhca53@xtra.co.nz



Presenter:

Fr Patrick Bridgman

Liturgy Advisor

Archdiocese of Wellington

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, RICHMOND

Family Mass will be taking place on Sunday 15th May at 9.30am.

John Phillips, the music teacher at St Paul's, will be leading the music for the mass, accompanied by our leadership choir and Roseanne Fletcher, teacher from Takahe class. If your child would like to take part in the mass (reading, prayer, greeting) please email lucy.newberry@hotmail.co.uk

There will be a shared morning tea afterwards and all being well with the weather some outdoor games for the children. We welcome all children and families and just a reminder that the family masses are the third Sunday of every month.

MOTHERS PRAYERS - We are a small group who pray for families, especially our own. We meet on the third Thursday of each month 10.45 - 11.30am. Our next meeting is this coming Thursday 19th May. For more information please ph Anne 544 7883 / 027 544 7883 or Kath 970 6754 / 027 452 3948

WELCOME TO RECENT PARISHIONERS

A very warm welcome to any recent parishioners.

I do hope you are able to join us for morning tea after Mass this week. Sunday 15th.

We would love to meet you and include you in our community.

Greetings to Ray Genet, Apekshi Jaywardena, Nigel Tetlow, Elaine Morgan, Rocheneil Defa Cruz and Charlene Timbol

Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women look forward to meeting with you again on 14th May at 2pm in the Parish Centre at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, William Street, Richmond. All women are welcome to join us. Masks optional. Come and join us for Praise and Worship. As it is May we are exploring "Mary's Humanity". We look forward to seeing you there. Contact Mary 021 174 9383 for more information. www.dove.org.nz

ST PETER CHANEL, MOTUEKA

Reconciliation Come and experience the healing and loving power of Jesus through this wonderful sacrament. Apart from making an appointment to meet with Fr Paul for reconciliation, we are trialing a permanent time on Saturday at 4.15 before the 5pm Mass. Fr Paul is available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in our chapel every Saturday.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT 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.

Project Innocence Prayer



Dear Lord Jesus, we pray that a movement be raised up in this country, that will turn the tide of violence and abuse of children in Aotearoa.

Your heart burns for love for the little children, especially those most vulnerable.

We pray that this movement will bring healing and forgiveness to many.

We ask this prayer through the intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and our Patron, Venerable Meri Hāhepa Suzanne Aubert.

Amen.

HUMAN PROMOTION



National Prayer for Vulnerable Children in Aotearoa

The prayer for vulnerable children will begin on Sunday, 15th of May 2022 and end with a special National prayer event on the 15th of June via zoom (People can also pray at home or in their prayer groups on this day).

We encourage people if they can, to pray the 'Project Innocence Prayer' every day i.e., the 15th of May until Wednesday the 15th of June.

Further details for the zoom prayer event on the 15th of June 2022, will be made available a couple of weeks before the event.

"Love calls upon love. It also applies to us: in each act of service, in every work of mercy we perform, God manifests Himself; God sets His gaze upon the world. This applies to us."

Pope Francis

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