



5 October 2025

27th WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

This week's readings: [click here](#).

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH and OUR LADY OF THE BAYS
 Mass Times**

Tuesday: Motueka 9.30am, Nelson 12.05pm

Wednesday: Richmond 9.30am, Stoke 9.30am

Thursday: Nelson 12.05pm

Friday: Richmond 9.30am, Stoke 9.30am

Saturday Vigil: Takaka 5pm, (1st & 3rd Saturday), Wakefield 5pm (2nd Saturday), Waimea West 5.30pm (4th Saturday) and Nelson 6pm

Sunday: Stoke 8.30am, Richmond 9am, Nelson 10.30am, Motueka 11am.

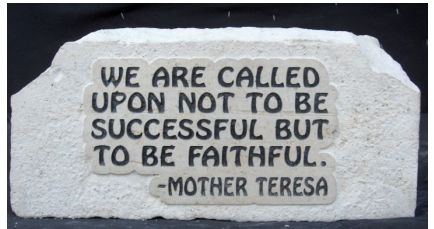
Reconciliation: Offered after Mass, Holy Hour or by appointment

Adoration & Benediction: Nelson Friday's 5pm, Richmond 1st Thursday, 1pm - Benediction 5.45pm- Mass 6pm

Gospel Reading: Luke 17:5-10 Creed

Jesus teaches the apostles about the importance of faith and service to God.

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus teach about faith and service to God. The context is a continuing dialogue between Jesus and his followers about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Jesus has just finished an instruction on sin and forgiveness. There are two related teachings that Jesus offers to his disciples when they cry out for an increase in faith.



The first is the familiar reminder that faith, even just a little, will enable the followers of Jesus to do wondrous things. But this uplifting and inspiring teaching is quickly followed by the second teaching, a caution about knowing one's place in God's plans. The disciples of Jesus are to understand themselves as servants of God and his plans. Even when God works wonders through us, with our mustard seed-sized faith, we must not seek praise. Our participation in God's plans is God's grace to us—nothing more, nothing less. When we are graced enough to cooperate with God, the work we do is nothing more than our obligation to God as faithful stewards. And yet, our faith enables us to believe that what we have offered in service to God, as his servants, can be made to produce a hundredfold. **IP**

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Nelson Hospital: Sacraments of Healing contact Parish Office or ask for the Hospital Chaplain.
 Websites <https://www.hollyfamilynelson.org/> and www.ourladyofthebays.org
 Newsletter Deadline **Wednesday noon:** ourlady.newsletter@gmail.com (OLOB), or office@hollyfamilynelson.org.nz (HFP)

RECENTLY DECEASED: We hold in prayer those who have recently died: Thelma Taylor, Lisa Smith, Kerry Eggeling and Margaret Hoban RNDM (Sister of Sr Rosalene RNDM).

Please pray for our sick in our community:

Trevor Menzies, Stephen McNabb, Kerry Mitchell, Shanny Schipper and Stan Frika. Please remember in your Prayers all our parish community that are suffering:

“Father, we lift up all those who are suffering. We ask that You bring healing, comfort and peace to them. May they experience the healing power of Your love. In Jesus’ name we pray.”

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Our Lady of the Bays Parish & Holy Family Parishes

Friday 3 October

† 9.30am, Richmond, Liturgy of the Word

Saturday 4 October

† 5pm - Takaka Vigil Sacred Heart

Sunday 5 October - Jubilee of Consecrated Life

† 8.30am Mass, SFA, Annual Blessing of the Pets

† 9.00am, OLPH, Multicultural Sunday

† 11am, SPC, Multicultural Sunday

Celebration Sunday for Venerable Meri Hohepa Suzanne Aubert

Tuesday 7 October

† 7pm, PPC mtg, HFP office Manuka St

Thursday 9 October

† 10am Mass at Ernest Rutherford

† Fr Doug Shepherd covering for Fr Cirillo 9-14 Oct

Friday 10 and Saturday 11 October

† 7pm Safeguarding Trg, HFP mtg rm

† 10.30am Sat Safeguarding Trg, HFP mtg rm

Sunday 12 October - Support Life Sunday

† 3pm, SFA Holy Hour for Peace in the Holy Land

Monday 13 October

† 12pm Women’s luncheon, SFA mtg rm

Wednesday 15 October

† 7pm, Finance Comm, HFP office, Manuka St

Sunday 19 October

† 11am, Motueka Multicultural Sunday Mass -

† Mission Sunday (Special Collection)

Anointing Masses:

16 Oct, 2pm, Our Lady of Perpetual Help

4 Dec, 2pm, St Mary’s, hosted by NSN SVDP

26 Feb 2026, 2pm, St Francis of Assisi, Stoke SVDP.

Jubilee of Consecrated Life – Sunday, 5 October:

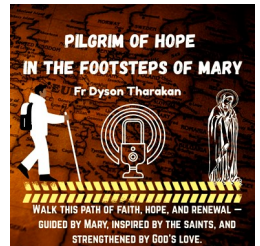
we join in celebrating the Jubilee of Consecrated Life — a special occasion to honour and give thanks for the men and women who have dedicated their lives to God through religious vocation. We are especially blessed to have Sisters Colleen and Maria, as well as our priests, among the many members of Religious Congregations serving in the Archdiocese of Wellington. Let us hold them in our prayers with deep gratitude, as we thank God for their commitment and the gift of their consecrated lives.

Join Fr Dyson on his Pilgrimage: Pilgrim of Hope: In the Footsteps of Mary through

Marian shrines — Loreto, Lourdes, Fatima, Medjugorje — sharing reflections, prayers, and stories of hope with Mary and the saints. We

also want to wish him well and pray for him throughout his journey in faith. 📺 Watch now on YouTube :-

<https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLWmalhMOit-LlfMJUNd8zFEZr5tQLabFm&si=4rViZ3P04DjOaTag>



Celebration Sunday 2025: “Jesus

walks alongside us on the road of life”. “E hīkoi ngātahi ana a ʻĪhu me tātou i te huarahi o te ora.” - Meri Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert. This weekend at our Masses, we join with the Sisters of Compassion, and all the peoples of Aotearoa New Zealand, to celebrate the life of Venerable Suzanne Aubert Meri Hōhepa. Following her example, in this year of pilgrimage, let us be aware of the presence of God in our life’s journey, and see Jesus in all who we encounter along the way.



HOPE AND RENEWAL SUMMIT: Fr Dyson, Fr Cirillo and Gerson will be attending the Hope & Renewal Summit in Palmerston North this

weekend. We lift up in prayer all those who serve in leadership in our parishes. **Bless** our priests, staff, volunteers, and lay leaders. *“St Gregory the Great, wise and humble servant, pray for our leaders. Holy Spirit, guide them to lead from a posture of love, trust, and hope. Amen.”*

Holy Hour for Peace in the Holy Land:



On 12 October at 3pm in St Francis of Assisi Stoke, a Holy Hour for Peace will be offered. This will be a joint Liturgy, celebrated with the Communities of Nelson, Richmond and Motueka. All are warmly invited to attend.

“Let the Beads do the Talking” - The month of the Rosary: Come and reflect on the mysteries of the Rosary each Wednesday at 7pm with “Let the beads do the talking”. This week the Filipino community will be presenting the Glorious Mysteries followed by a cuppa and light supper. 1st/3rd Wednesdays will be at St Mary’s Church, Nelson; 2nd/4th Wednesdays will be at St Francis of Assisi, Stoke; 5th Wednesday we hope to hold at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Richmond.

Safeguarding Training: The safeguarding Team is pleased to again have Kevin Plant visit from Wellington to conduct another Safeguarding Training. There will be two options: Friday 10 October at 7 pm and Saturday 11 October at 10 30 a.m. Both of these sessions will be held in the HFP meeting room, Nelson. This training is open to ministers from all of the Nelson/Tasman parishes. Any enquiries Tim James 027 4468760.

Online Safeguarding Workshops: In addition to the in-person training, an invitation is extended to all volunteers and parishioners to attend an online Safeguarding Workshop. Safeguarding training is a policy requirement for all ‘who work with or provide ministry to children (aged 0-18 years) and

vulnerable adults’ (Safeguarding Policy Working together for a safe church). **Dates for online Safeguarding Workshops** 2025 are:

- Wednesday 8 October Noon to 1pm
- Wednesday 22 October Noon to 1pm
- Monday 3 November 7pm to 8.15pm
- Tuesday 18 November 7pm to 8.15pm

Contact Kevin Plant k.plant@wn.catholic.org.nz

Emilio Capin - Diaconate

Ordination:

Congratulations and prayers for our newest Deacon, Emilio Capin!



Emilio was ordained to the Diaconate with two other seminarians in Auckland on Friday, 26 September by Bishop Michael Gielen. Emilio was ordained along with Linh Cao and Ryan Sy. A 6th year seminarian, Emilio said of his calling earlier this year during Vocations Awareness Week. Please pray for Emilio, and all others as they consider and take up vocations. If you wish to send him a message his email address is: emiliocapin@mail.com. (not gmail)

Check out the Archdiocese community page - website page: <https://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/community/> The “Community” tab page is updated every day or couple of days with the latest news and includes Emilio’s ordination pictures.

OUR LADY OF THE BAYS



Jubilee of Migrants - Multicultural Sunday 5

October celebration: Come and celebrate with us! Following on from the hugely successful and well supported celebrations at St Mary’s and St Francis of Assisi churches, we invite OLOB parishioners to unite in recognition of the many cultures within our congregations at the 9am Our

RCIA : Are You Interested in Becoming a Catholic? The course will be held in Nelson, Richmond and Motueka. More information please contact : **Nelson** - Katie Rose katiem-rose54@gmail.com 0212964155; **Richmond:** Greg & Maryanne Hall, 0276181421 Greg.maryanne@gmail.com or **Motueka** - Margaret Jones 0210474894 marg.t.jones.58@gmail.com

Lady of Perpetual Help Mass on Sunday, 5 October. We would love everyone to wear their national dress to show the beautiful mix of cultures in our parish. After Mass, we'll have a shared morning tea - bring a plate of something from your culture if you can, for a wonderful chance to enjoy each other's food and company! Thank you to all those who have already said they would like to be part of the Mass or the entertainment afterwards.

Richmond Christian Meditation group will recommence meeting weekly on Monday 6 October at 7.30pm at OLPH Hall, 35 William St. All welcome. For more info Contact Karen 0272457800, or Marie 0278658032

Sacred Heart, Takaka: Letter to Parishioners on the progress of the much loved, historic marble Sacred Heart Church in Takaka. [Click this link.](#)

The Month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary - St Peter Chanel: Come and pray the Rosary before our Sunday Mass, 5 October, starting at 10.30am.

St Vincent De Paul meet in the St Peter Chanel church foyer the 2nd Tues of the month 3.30pm.
Roster link: [St Peter Chanel, Motueka](#)

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

Pray the Rosary, 20 mins prior to Mass, in our parish churches during the month of October.



First Holy Communion: Preparation sessions recommence after the school holidays - **9.30am** on the 12, 19 October followed by the Mass. Sacrament of First Holy Communion practice - 8 November 4pm, and the Sacrament will be celebrated, 9 Nov at the 10.30am Mass.

Blessing of the Pets, 5 Oct , 8.30am Mass, SFA: To celebrate St Francis of Assisi Memorial we invite parishioners to bring your pets to be blessed.

Ernest Rutherford Mass will be celebrated in the chapel at Ernest Rutherford next Thursday, 9 Oct at 10am. All are welcome.

Women's luncheon: Monday 13 October, 12pm, SFA Mtg Rms. Bring your oldest or most precious book to tell the group about. All women welcome, bring a plate of finger food to share. Enquiries to Frances 027 6464529

November Mass of Remembrance: For those who wish to have family and friends who have died to be remembered at this Mass of Remembrance contact Shelley Hills: thehillscan@xtra.co.nz or ph: 027 4377 851

**ST PETER CHANEL CHURCH COMMUNITY
Pilgrimage 2025**

YOU ARE INVITED

Sunday 23 November 2025

11am Mass @ Motueka

12noon Morning tea

1pm Pilgrimage begins

Carpooling can be organised

Options for our community:

- Drive to St Mary's Church
- Walk to Father Garin Memorial Chapel from St Mary's Church
- Drive to Garin Memorial Chapel

2pm Arrive at St Mary's Church Nelson

- 10 minutes of guided prayer

2.15pm Walk or drive to Garin Chapel

3pm Liturgy @ Father Garin's Memorial Chapel

- 15 minutes Liturgy



Holy Family Parish Roster - 11/12 October 2025

	Greeters	AV/Music	POW/POF	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Care	Church Cleaning	Hospitality
St Mary's, Saturday 6pm	I & K Sowman		M James N Sowry	P Palmer M Kularathna T James			
St Francis of Assisi, Sunday, 8.30am	P Pettit	C Coyle (M) P Mellor	F O'Leary I Presores	M S'iyaguna	A McBride		
St Mary's, Sunday, 10.30am	T Zam	Dove Group	P Cronin AM Angeles	K Curtis T Nicholas Sr Colleen C Piper	D de Borja	A Fidler	Lobo Family

Thank you to all who support the Ministries. If you are unable to attend, please arrange for someone to fill in.

Liturgy of the Word - St. Francis of Assisi Chapel 9.30am		Ernest Rutherford Sunday Service:
Tuesday 7 Oct (Frances)	Thursday 9 Oct (no liturgy, 10am ER Mass)	Sunday 12 Oct 10am (Frances)