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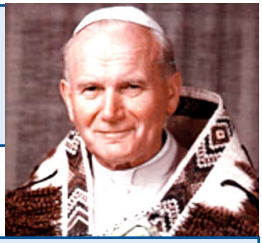


9 AUGUST - 19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Times-Reconciliation-Adoration-Readings

SATURDAY VIGIL	**Takaka 4pm (I & III Saturday), Wakefield 5pm (II Saturday), Waimea West 5pm (IV Saturday) & Nelson Vigil Mass 6pm (every Saturday)**	
SUNDAY	**Stoke 8.30am, Richmond 9am & 6pm, Nelson 10.30am, Motueka 11am**	
MONDAY	**2Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26**	No Masses
TUESDAY	**Eze 2:8-3: 4; Mt 18:1-14**	Richmond 9.30, Nelson 12.05pm
WEDNESDAY	**Eze 9:1-7,10:18-22; Mt 18:15-20**	Motueka 9.30am, Stoke 9.30am
THURSDAY	**Eze 12:1-12; Mt 18:21-19:1**	Nelson 12.05pm: Rest Homes refer "Dates to Remember"
FRIDAY	**Eze 16:1-63; Mt 19:3-12**	Richmond 9.30am, Stoke 9.30am, **Nelson Holy Hour 5pm**
SATURDAY	**Eze 18:1-32; Mt 19:13-15**	Vigil Masses only
RECONCILIATION	After every Mass - During adoration - by appointment with a priest	
ADORATION	St Mary's, Nelson, Fridays 5pm; OLPH Richmond - First Thursdays 1.30-6pm	

Readings: 1Kings 19:9-13; Romans 9:1-5; *Matthew 14:22-33*
Jesus walks on water, and the disciples acknowledge Him as the Son of God

After feeding a crowd of more than 5,000 people with just five loaves of bread and two fish, Jesus, at last finds some time for quiet and prayer. He sends His disciples ahead of Him by boat, dismisses the crowds, and withdraws to the mountain to pray.

The disciples do not fare well. They struggle to weather the wind and waves, making little progress in their journey. This time, however, Jesus does not calm the seas, and the disciples do not express fear until they see Jesus walking toward them on the water. It is not the storm this time that is feared, but the sight of Jesus before them, whom they mistake for a ghost.

Jesus calls to the disciples and calms their fears. The impulsive Peter seeks proof that the person is indeed Jesus and asks Jesus to call him out onto the water. Jesus grants this request but Peter's fear and doubt overtake him until Jesus has to reach out to save him. When Jesus and Peter enter the boat, the wind ceases, and the disciples confess that Jesus is the Son of God.

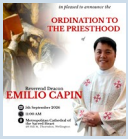
Faith in Jesus will enable the disciples to do the work that Jesus has done. Peter walks on water. The five loaves and two fish feed a multitude of people. The disciples can and will participate in the work of the kingdom of heaven. When Peter fears and doubts the person of Jesus, however, he falters. Peter's example teaches us that true Christian ministry emerges from the faith that Jesus is the Messiah, God's only Son. *Loyola Press*

Priest	Designation	Email Address	Contact
Fr Andrew Kim	**Parish Priest**	On Sabbatical leave up to Dec	-
Fr Raymond Soriano	**Acting Parish Priest**	rasorsvd@gmail.com	021 613 953
Fr Dyson Tharakan	**Associate Priest**	On leave until September 6	-
Fr Kinh Nguyen	**Associate Priest**	vknguyenhy@gmail.com	020 41792 567

PARISH NOTICES

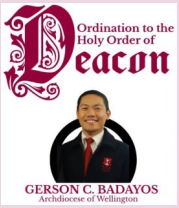
Please come! We extend to you a warm invitation to attend our **Mass of Assumption**, being celebrated on **Friday 14 August** at the **Garin College** gymnasium at **11.40am**. Please be seated 10 minutes early. We will follow the mass with a light luncheon in our school library after the service, which you are also very welcome to attend.

Men's Breakfast: WHERE: St Mary's Parish meeting rooms, Nelson. WHEN: **Saturday, 5 September 2026**. TIME: **7.30am – 9am**. SPEAKER: **JOHN KERSTEN**. Come and hear John, a dairy farmer from Reefton, share the profound spiritual experience he had while in Medjugore. He will talk about this experience and how Our Blessed Mother's messages and The Rosary changed his life and his family. Contact William John Schryvers 027 4625 983.



Ordination to the Priesthood of Emilio Capin

Deacon Emilio Capin is to be ordained to the priesthood at **11am on Saturday, September 5, 2026, at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Wellington**. All are invited to witness this special moment. Please pray for Emilio as he takes this next step in his faith journey and responds to God's call.

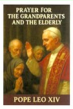


Ordination to the Holy Order of Deacon of Gerson Badayos

Please pray for Gerson Badayos as he prepares for Catholic ordination to the diaconate at **Sacred Heart Church in Auckland** at **6pm on Friday 2 Oct, 2026**. The Ordination will be conferred by Archbishop Paul Martin SM. All welcome! This Rite of Ordination is the first degree of the sacrament conferred through the laying on of hands and a solemn prayer of consecration by a bishop. It configures a man to Christ as a servant, preparing him for duties in liturgy, word, and charity. Click here for more invitation details.

Calling anyone who can sing! We are starting a new choir for the 6pm Richmond to be rostered once a month. **Practices are 7pm—8.30pm on Monday nights Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church**. You do not need to know how to read music to join. Contact Evelyn Hall 027 4777 454.

Can you help? Parish Mass, 6pm, Richmond: Please contact us If you can help with any of the following ministries for the above Mass (training and support is available): **Sacristan**; **Mass co-ordinator; Powerpoint creator**; **Data projector operator**; **Altar servers**; **Readers**; **Music support**; **Ministers of the Eucharist**. Email or txt Mary Healey maryhealey6@gmail.com 021 550 405 or Judith Ashley judenz13@gmail.com 021 262 4442.



With Gratitude! On behalf of grandparents and the elderly across the Parish, we would like to thank all those for their gifts of prayer posters, bookmarks and cards which helped our communities to celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly. It was very much appreciated.

Notice - Safeguarding: For those still needing to complete Safeguarding requirements, online sessions for **August** are being held on: Monday 17th 12noon-1.15pm; Monday 24th 7-8.15pm; Tuesday 25th 6.30-8pm. **Register with Wellington Archdiocese Safeguarding Coordinator Kevin Plant at** k.plant@cadw.nz.
The Microsoft Teams link to join workshops will be sent out two days prior.

TO LET: 9A Old Wharf Road Motueka – Flat to rent: One of the flats adjacent to the St Peter Chanel Church is available to rent. This is a 2 bedroom flat with one bathroom. Anticipated rent $300 per week.
423 High Street – House to rent: The old Presbytery adjacent to St Peter Chanel Church and School is available to rent. This is a 3 bedroom house with two bathrooms. As this property is adjacent the school, the school will have the opportunity to review any prospective tenants. Anticipated rent $500 per week.
To express your interest or inquire about these properties please email **office@stjp2.nz**

GENERAL NOTICES

SVDP Motueka Meeting Tuesday 11 August: 3.30pm in St Peter Chanel church foyer. Thank you to generous parishioners for continuing to fill the meal kit bags to support SVdP - these are not only providing people with food, but are supporting them in cooking skills too. These bags have become an important part of our outreach and we are very grateful for your ongoing support.

Bridge Valley "Time Warp" Holiday Camps: Experience an unforgettable week of adventure: Junior Time Warp Camp (Ages 8–11): 28 Sept – 2 Oct| $245: Ultimate Time Warp Camp (Ages 11–13): 5–9 Oct |$280: Step Up Leadership Camp (Ages 14-16): 27 Sept - 2 Oct | $110. Step Up introduces youth to camp leadership through a week of faith-based sessions, training, background support, teamwork and more. Register here: https://www.bridgevalley.co.nz/holiday-camps

Parish to Parish for Bed and Breakfast: Catholic hospitality in New Zealand and Australia, pay $50 per night for one guest, each additional guest $30 each, includes continental breakfast. If you wish to become a host or wish to purchase a book with details of hosts, contact - Marie Anderson, Email: marie.ian@xtra.co.nz

PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP

ALPHA is a welcoming series where people of all ages can explore the Catholic faith, ask life's big questions, and grow in their relationship with Jesus in a friendly, relaxed environment. The session includes hospitality, a short video and open conversation. The 11 week course has started and now continues on Monday nights from **6.30pm** at **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Hall, Richmond.** Please come and join us. Email alphajohnpaul2@gmail.com for more details.

Dovecotes in Stoke: Thursday 13 August 7pm to 8.30pm, Norma 027 3101 255.
Dovecotes in Richmond: Wednesday 19 August 10am - 11.30am, Mary 021 1749 383.
Dovecotes in Nelson City: Thursday 27 August 1.30 - 2.30pm, Convent Chapel, 22 Manuka St, Nelson, Margo 027 4448 398.

Mothers Prayers: We are a small group who pray for families, especially our own. Our next meeting is on **Thursday 20 August, 10.30am, Richmond parish hall**. Ph **Kath on 03 970 6754; 027 4523 948** or **Elizabeth on 03 544 5188; 027 5451818**.

COUPLES FOR CHRIST NELSON-TASMAN
A Catholic Lay Ecclesial Movement

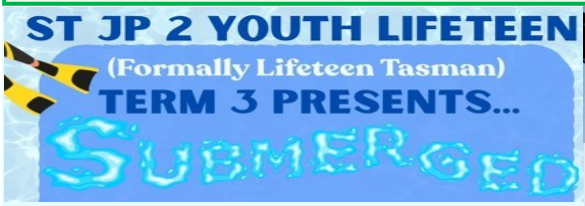
Invitation: Couples for Christ Nelson-Tasman invite you to a Christian Life Programme evening where you may deepen your relationship with God, family, and community while finding ways to discover God's plan for your life. **Saturday 22 August, 5pm, venue TBC.** For more details contact Ray Vargas 027 427 2383; Dahlia Vargas 027 507 9688; Sonny Bautista 027 1111 8258 or by email CFCNelsonTasman@gmail.com.

Faith and Light: Next meeting **Sunday 30 August at 12.30pm**, St Francis of Assisi Meeting. You are welcome to come join us, contact Margo 027 4448 398 or Judy Burke 027 369 0115.

St Peter Chanel Church: Please join our group who meet for prayer every **Wednesday 6-7pm, all welcome.**

Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet during Adoration, St Mary's Church, **Fridays, 5pm** and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, **Sundays, 3pm** (led by the Samoan Cenacle Community).

YOUTH PROGRAMMES ACROSS THE REGION



STJP2 YOUTH LIFETEEN

Term 3 presents - Submerged! Friday 14 August - Portal; Friday 21 August - Deep Water. All Youth Age 11 and up, 7pm to 8.30pm, OLPH Church hall, Richmond. Contact: lifeteentasman@gmail.com 022 454 8973. Click here for more details.

ST JOHN PAUL II PARISH JESUS YOUTH gathers as a place for young people aged 19+ to **grow in faith, build friendships and experience the joy of Christ**.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

Parishes Sacramental Programme 2026 Nelson/Richmond/Motueka:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation sessions commence on **Sunday 26 July and on Sundays following**: OLPH Richmond Hall after 9am Mass; St Mary's Meeting Room Nelson 9.30am; SPC Church foyer Motueka 9.30am.

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation will be administered **across the region as follows: Motueka:** 15 August, 11am; **Nelson:** 16 August, 2pm; **Richmond:** 23 August, 4pm.

For all Sacramental programme session dates visit: https:/www.holyfamilynelson.org

OCIA: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults: Interested in Becoming a Catholic? Sessions for 2026 start Tuesday 1st September. For more information please contact:
Nelson - Katie Rose katiemrose54@gmail.com 0212964155; **Richmond -** Greg & Maryanne Hall, 0276181421 Greg.maryanne@gmail.com ; **Motueka -** Margaret Jones marg.t.jones.58@gmail.com, 0210474894

ANNIVERSARIES	PRAYERS FOR THE SICK
Tony Smith (7/8)	**Micheal Barry, William (Bill) Gordon, Joy Dunga, Dinky Nugent, Judith Pinnell, Christopher Hills, Marie Macquet;**

DATES TO REMEMBER ACROSS THE REGION

NEW PARISH CALENDAR - AUGUST 2026 click here

Saturday 8 August	†	**Feast of St Mary of the Cross (Mary MacKillop)**
Monday 10 August	†	7pm, OLPH Church, practice session for new choir for Richmond 6pm Mass
Friday 14 August	†	**11.40am, Garin College, Mass of Assumption**
	†	**St Maximillian Kolbe - Memorial**
Sunday 16 August	†	**Assumption of Mary** - The Bishops Conference has transferred the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Sunday August 16 in 2026
Thursday 20 August	†	11am, Summerset Ranges, Richmond
Thursday 27 August	†	2pm, Anointing Mass, St Francis of Assisi, Stoke
Saturday 5 September	†	7.30am-9am, St Mary's Meeting Room, **Men's Breakfast**

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Shelley Hills	St Francis of Assisi	027 437 7851
Elaine Taggart	St Peter Chanel	021 256 2941

CHURCH ROSTERS - LINKS	St Peter Chanel Motueka	St Mary's Nelson	St Francis of Assisi Stoke	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Richmond	Sacred Heart Takaka
NEWSLETTERS - LINKS	SPC School Newsletter T3 Weeks 3 & 4		Passionist Family Group	Sisters of Compassion update Aug 2026	WelCom Issue 12

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