



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

23rd March 2025

3rd Sunday of Lent — Year C

00430

MASS TIMES

Sunday Mass

RICHMOND

Sunday 9.00am

MOTUEKA

Sunday 11.00am

WAKEFIELD

Vigil Mass 5pm, 2nd Sat each month

WAIMEA WEST

Vigil Mass 5pm, 4th Sat each month

TAKAKA

Saturday 5pm, 1st & 3rd each month

2nd Sunday of month at 9.30am

Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Weekdays Mass

MOTUEKA

Tuesday 9.30am

Friday, 9am Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament, 9.15am Rosary

Friday, 9.30am Liturgy of the Word

RICHMOND

Wednesday and Friday, 9.30am

Reconciliation after weekday Mass or by
Appointment

CONTACT

Fr Andrew Kim (Administrator)

Fr Cirilo Barlis, Fr Dyson Tharakan
(Assistant Priests)

Parish Office

Chris Abdul, Admin 9.00-14.00

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Email: office.admin@parish.org.nz

Address: 35 William St, Richmond

Richmond: 03 544 8987

Motueka: 03 528 8899

Website

www.ourladyofthebays.org

Newsletter

ourlady.newsletter@gmail.com

Deadline Wednesday Noon

Reconciliation Rite II

The Season of Lent offers us a time to reflect, repent, and renew our spiritual lives as we focus on the Paschal mystery of Jesus Christ. Lenten season is an opportunity for us to seek forgiveness for the times we have sinned and turned away from God who constantly offers us his love and mercy.

Therefore, we are inviting everyone to celebrate with us the Rite II Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation or Confession). Rite II, which is usually celebrated during Advent and Lent, is a form of Reconciliation for Several Penitents with Individual Confession and Absolution. As a communal celebration, Rite II involves a Celebration of the Word – reading from scripture, hymns, prayers, a short homily, individual confession, and individual absolution. It is also important to remember that during the celebration of the Sacrament, the penitents are encouraged to make a brief confession – it is recommended to confess one or two grave sin/s.

Rite II Reconciliation in Nelson and Tasman area will be celebrated on the following schedules:

Wednesday 26 March 7pm: OLPH, Richmond

Wednesday 2 April 7pm: St. Mary's, Nelson

Saturday 5 April Sacred Heart, Takaka: 4.30pm, before Mass and after Mass

Sunday 6 April 4pm: St. Francis of Assisi, Stoke.

St. Peter Chanel, Thursday 10 April.

"Mercy will always be greater than any sin, and no one can place limits on the love of God who is ever ready to forgive" – Pope Francis

Father Andrew Kim

OUR LADY OF THE BAYS

EMAILS FOR NEWSLETTERS: We will appreciate it if emails with information intended to be published in our newsletters are sent to our Gmail address, ourlady.newsletter@gmail.com. Also please note that notices are due by noon on Wednesdays.

FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION -The Day of Prayer for Family Life: This year, the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord falls on Tuesday, March 25, 2025. The Solemnity of the Annunciation celebrates the coming of the Angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary to announce to her the special mission God had chosen for her in being the mother of His only son.

RCIA: The name, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is given to the official liturgical process for initiating adults into the Catholic Church. Our Lady of the Bays Parish combines with Holy Family Parish to offer RCIA. Several people are on this journey and journeying to become members of the Catholic Church at Easter.



RECONCILIATION RITE II IN THE PARISHES OF OUR LADY OF THE BAYS AND HOLY FAMILY:



Richmond: 26 March, 7pm

Nelson: 2 April, 7pm

Stoke: 6 April, 4pm

Motueka: Rite II (before and after the mass) 10 April 7pm.

Takaka: Rite I, before and after the mass.

QUOTE: Jesus knows that conversion is not easy. He knows that we often repeat the same mistakes and the same sins; that we become discouraged, and perhaps it may seem that our commitment to do good is useless in a world where evil appears to rule. Thus, he encourages us with a parable that tells of the patience of God. He offers the comforting image of a fig tree that does not bear fruit during the accorded season but is not cut down. More time is given to it, another possibility.

— Pope Francis, Angelus, 20 March 2022.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, RICHMOND



Saint Paul's School student leaders (left) and the children who received their baptismal certificates last Sunday

LENTEN REFLECTIONS: No meeting this Wednesday. Lorraine and Karen will provide two more opportunities, on Wednesday mornings, **2 April 10.15 -11.15am** and **9 April 10.15 -11.15am**. The hour will include prayer, scripture, reflection, contemplative questions, music and art. Come for one or come for all of them.

Anointing Mass + Afternoon tea

Thursday 27 March



In the hall OLPH Richmond 2pm
Transport provided if needed
Contact: 021 020 75075 or 027 245 7800

24 HOURS FOR THE LORD at St Mary's, Nelson: Make some time to be with our Lord Jesus in prayer and adoration, in communion with Catholics around the world in this Jubilee Year. Starting at 5pm on Friday 28th, with a Holy Hour, there will be ongoing prayer and adoration until the Vigil Mass at 6pm on Saturday 29th March. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT AT 7pm ON THE FRIDAYS of Lent. Most will be led by a parishioner and booklets will be available.

STUDENT LEADERS: Garin College Principal Mr John Maguire will introduce twelve student leaders, following morning Mass this Sunday, 23rd March.

ACCOMODATION WANTED: A Catholic family seeks a two-bedroom house, apartment or sharing a flat in or close to Richmond. Please contact Sam 027 437 0188

THURSDAY 10th APRIL DECORATE AN EASTER CANDLE: Gertrud Weiss will again offer her popular workshop to decorate your own Paschal Candle. 7-8.30pm at meeting room at St Francis, Stoke. \$14 for candle and decorating wax. \$4 for decorating wax, if you bring your own candle. Registration essential, as numbers are limited. - Karen Moynagh 027 245 7800 karen@moynagh.co.nz

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER MORNING: FRIDAY 28th March 9.30am to 12.30pm
Theme: The Road to Easter. Facilitator Karen Moynagh, to be held at St Barnabas Church see flyer at the end of newsletter.

MY ADVANCED CARE PLAN: Maryanne Hardcastle will be back at the Richmond Parish Centre on Tuesday 25th March at 1:30pm. She will talk to us on My Advanced Care Plan. It will be a process of

thinking, talking and writing about your values and goals and what your preferences are for current and future health care. On this occasion, Maryanne will aid you on how to complete your plan.

To find your plan template online, go to www.myacp.org.nz, look for the tab **Your Plan**, and download it to your computer or USB.

To register or queries, **Karen 027 245 7800**.



Garin College Student Leaders 2025

From left: Abbie Parker, Kate Rankin, Naima Selg, Sophie Pahl, Flora Jackson, Ben Adlam, Franchezka Diza, Hector McNeilly, Sadie Wills, Gus Western, Caitlin Gorn, Ayla Turner

SAINT JOSEPH'S, WAKEFIELD

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: There will be Stations of the Cross in the Church, starting at 7pm, on Friday nights during Lent. All welcome.

SAINT PETER CHANEL, MOTUEKA

PRAYER GROUP: We're trialling a different start time this month to make it easier for working people to join us. We will meet from 6.45pm for a prompt 7.00pm start and we finish within the hour. If more people can come, we may continue with this time so vote with your feet! Theme for March 26th - Celebration and Thanksgiving

FRIDAYS OF LENT: There will be Stations of the Cross at 7pm during Lent.

GOMFADS: The Men's social group of St Peter Chanel returns on Sunday March 23rd from 5 – 6-30 pm. Our Host will be Bruce McIver, and the address is 18 Courtney St Motueka. Tea and Coffee

provided, but bring your favourite beverage, some nibbles, and some tall stories! Get to spend some free time with those good blokes you only see at Mass!

SOPRANO CARLEEN EBBS: Carleen gave a memorable performance at her recent recital in Motueka. She and her pianist, Gabriela Glapska, provided a great concert which was supported and enjoyed by a number of Motueka Parishioners.

ST PETER CHANEL SCHOOL: Congratulations to our sporting stars! Congratulations to all our students who entered the Weetbix Triathlon. With 18 entries from our school, we were awarded a \$300 voucher for sporting equipment as our percentage of students entered compared to our roll size, meant we had 25% of our students enter to participate. Fantastic effort everyone!

On Wednesday 12th March, we had five students participate in the Motueka Interschool Swimming Sport. Five of our pupils won or were placed in their events. Congratulations, Reid, Cohan, Cora, Jane and Mia P.

ROSTER:

Notes	Dates	Greeter	Morning Tea	Music	Prayers of the Faithful	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Cleaning	Lawns	Children's Liturgy	Flowers
Third Lent	Sunday, 23 March 2025	V & S Cameron	V & S Cameron	Hemon & Katie	Marg Jones	S & V Cameron	K O'Gorman E Taggart J Kenter	W. & M Frondariine	Maurice Roche		No Flowers

Welcome

Contemplative Time Aside

Friday 28th March 2025

9.30am – 12.30pm

St Barnabas Church foyer, 523 Main Rd, Stoke

and opportunity for time in Isel Park



Facilitator - Karen Moynagh

Theme - Eternally Present Love

PLEASE RSVP to Ilene @ 021-102-6778 OR ethlene16@gmail.com by 5pm Wed. 26th March.

Please bring an open heart, a Bible, your Journal, or writing paper. \$10.

Morning Tea provided and creative materials if wanted.

Nelson Spiritual Growth Group