



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

10<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024

32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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First Kings 17: 10-16; Hebrews 9: 24-28; Mark 12: 38-44

### MASS TIME Sunday Mass

**RICHMOND**  
Sunday 9.00am

**MOTUEKA**  
Sunday 11.00am

**WAKEFIELD**  
Vigil Mass 5pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat each month

**WAIMEA WEST**  
Vigil Mass 5pm, 4<sup>th</sup> Sat each month

**TAKAKA**  
Saturday 5pm, 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> each month  
2<sup>nd</sup> 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

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**Deadline Wednesday Noon**

### God Sees the Heart!

In our Sunday Gospel, we hear that within a busy gathering in the temple, Jesus' attention is drawn to the generosity of a humble widow. He then draws the attention of His disciples to her generosity recognising her sacrifice and trust in God.

The Temple in Jerusalem was the center of Jewish worship in the time of Jesus. It was expected that observant Jews would make pilgrimages to the Temple to offer prayer and sacrifices. Pilgrims were also expected to make a financial contribution to the temple treasury. Everyone who gave on that day, did so out of faithfulness and goodness but the widow's sacrifice was inspirational.

This story speaks to each of us about the importance of recognising the needs of the marginalised. The widow's act of giving becomes a powerful testimony, reminding us that even the smallest acts of love and compassion can have a profound impact. It is not the size of our contribution that matters but the spirit in which we give.

Pope Francis reminds us that generosity belongs to everyday life; "it's something we should think: 'How can I be more generous, with the poor, the needy... How can I help more? ... Consumerism can be a barrier to generosity. Excessive spending to buy more than we need – is a lack of austerity in life. This is the enemy of generosity. And material generosity – thinking about the poor: 'I can give this so that they can eat or have clothes' – has an ulterior result: It enlarges the heart and helps us be magnanimous."

We pray that our eyes will be opened towards those in need and that we will always be magnanimous in extending the hand of compassion and support, embodying the love and compassion of Christ.

Ngā mihi nui  
Maureen Phillips  
**Principal - Saint Paul's School**

## OUR LADY OF THE BAYS

### **Nelson Hospital Chaplaincy Appeal Week 12-14 Nov 2024 Fund Raising Stall**

A reminder – The Chaplaincy team, which is part of the national organisation, ICHC, is running a stall at the Hospital on Tuesday 12th to Thursday 14th November between 9.30am and 2.30pm each day on Level 2 outside the café.

Thank you so much for the donations of goods already received – some of these will make excellent Christmas presents so come and begin your Christmas shopping! Eftpos available.

It's not too late to donate goods: baking, particularly, is welcomed each day of the stall.

Non-perishable goods may be left in the Hospital Chapel on Level 2, or, if pick up is needed, please email [miriam.martin@nmdhb.govt.nz](mailto:miriam.martin@nmdhb.govt.nz)

Quote - 'Faced with the needs of our neighbours, we are called... to deprive ourselves of essential things, not only the superfluous; we are called to give the time that is necessary, not only what is extra; we are called to give immediately and unconditionally some of our talent, not after using it for our own purposes or for our own group.' Pope Francis [Angelus](#) 8 Nov 2015

### **Volunteer as a member of the Ecology, Justice and Peace Commission in 2025**

Are you motivated to contribute to work for justice and peace inspired and informed by Catholic Social Teaching? The Archdiocesan Ecology Justice and Peace Commission and Committees (Integral Ecology, Poverty, and Bicultural Relationships) invite nominations for membership for 2025. As a member you will work to promote the social teaching of the Church throughout the Archdiocese and shine a light on issues of injustice. Activities of the Commission are diverse and include making submissions to parliament, organising events such as the Season of Creation, Te Tiriti Mai Rānō hui and the Housing Forum, and supporting movements such as the Living Wage Movement and Death without Debt. Find out more about the Commission at <https://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/about/commission-for-ecology/> or contact Deirdre Meskill, the facilitator, at [d.meskill@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:d.meskill@wn.catholic.org.nz), ph. 021 2213944

## OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, RICHMOND

**End of Life** As we are currently in the season of remembering and celebrating those we love who have died, it is timely that we remember that death comes to us all in our own time.

We have a team who work in this area as a support for the older members of our community, walking with individuals and families at the end of life, assisting with vigil and funerals. Thinking about your wishes, discussing them with friends and family can help in easing the stress for those we love if they are aware of the rituals and symbols that are important to you.

We have a document for End of Life wishes which you might find helpful in planning some of these things. A member of our team would be happy to meet with you and assist in any way. We also have a few small groups who have gathered together to share thoughts and ideas which has proven to be very valuable.

Preparation in all aspects of life and death is useful. For further information please contact Karen Moynagh on 027 2457 800 and she will put you in touch with one of our team.

### **NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS**

The PURPLE BOX is in the foyer. You can write the names of your deceased to put in the box and they will be prayed for at all Masses in November. We pray for those whom God has called through death to Eternal Life. This year we also have a noticeboard display. We remember especially parishioners who have died in the last year. You are invited to add the names of your loved ones whom you wish to share with us.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS** are available to purchase in the foyer. \$5 for a packet of 8. Māori Madonna Christmas Cards are \$2 each. Some miscellaneous Christmas Cards 50c each.

**SYMPATHY CARDS** There is also new Sympathy cards at \$2 each. Cards for other occasions too. There is a plastic box with Cards for sale in foyer.

### **MORNING TEA NOVEMBER 20<sup>th</sup> IN THE HALL 10.15am.**

You are warmly invited to come for a cuppa, meet other parishioners and listen to an interesting speaker. This is the last one for 2024.

### **Thank you**

Rosalie and Jeff Jones wish to thank all those who offered prayer, love and support during the lead up to Rosalie's brain surgery in Wellington last week. Never underestimate the power of prayer.

## Spring Working Bee

If you can spare a few hours please come along and help tidy the grounds and buildings at Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November from 9am – 12pm. Weather dependant, if it rains it will be postponed to a suitable time in the future. If you have them to hand please do bring gardening tools such as shears, loppers, pruning saws, gardening gloves and a caged trailer if you have one. Morning tea will be provided.

Many hands make light work! For any further information contact Iain Hall on 027 395 6548

## ST PETER AND PAUL, WAIMEA WEST

**CANDLE MASS OF REMEMBRANCE** - 5 pm, Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2023, at Saints Peter & Pauls' Church Waimea West. Since last year's Mass of Remembrance, Jim Lee, Terry Westbury, Lee Rankin and Thelma Dunn have been laid to rest in this Churchyard. Before Mass begins the above names will be called out, and a family member will be asked to come forward and light the candle by the photo on display of their loved one. After Mass there will be the ceremony of the blessing of the graves – starting at the lych-gate with a prayer. Please bring a small container of water, which Fr Michael will bless, then parishioners can visit their own family graves and bless them themselves. Contact – Colleen Phone 544-8663 or colleenynz@gmail.com for further information

## ST PETER CHANEL, MOTUEKA

### PARISH LEADERSHIP GROUP

The next meeting of the PLG is next Wednesday November 13<sup>th</sup>, in the Church Foyer at 5.15pm. All welcome. Come and contribute your suggestions and skills to help support our Church Community.

### ROSTERS

The new Roster is being prepared. If you would like to join a Ministry, or need to change the dates you are available, please contact Hemon Dey at [HemonDey@gmail.com](mailto:HemonDey@gmail.com)

### PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK

Many of our families are coping with sick family members. In our neighbourhoods as well, we have friends who are getting older or who are having to cope with illness or ageing. Please remember these people in your prayers, and maybe drop in on someone you have not seen for a while.

### CHURCH DRIVEWAY

The School have a one way system from High St through their grounds to Old Wharf Rd. New signage will reinforce the one way traffic flow, and so it is expected that Parishioners will also access the Church from High St, and exit into Old Wharf Rd. Thanks for your support!

## ST PETER CHANEL SCHOOL

SPC Athletics Day Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November

Yesterday we began the day with Sprints and Distance Running Races – this year we are taking a more fun approach to our school Athletics Day with events that take a twist on the Run, Jump, Throw theme.

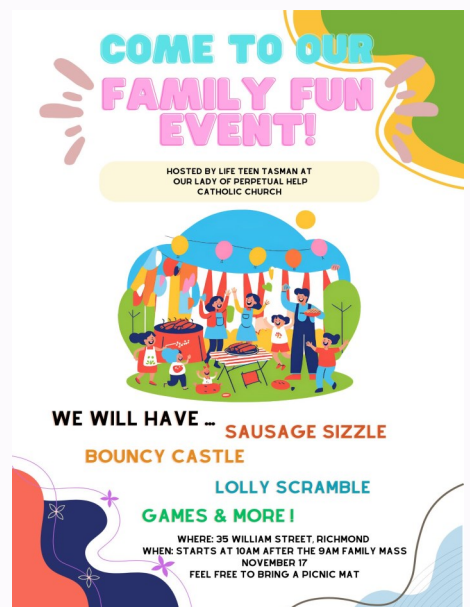
Orienteering at Kaiteriteri – Rangimarie 8<sup>th</sup> November

Room Rangimarie's postponed Orienteering was due to happen today, Friday – thank you to the parents who can support this Education Outside the Classroom experience, and to Mrs Alborn for her energy and enthusiasm organising it!

Teachers' Only Day Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November

Summer Swimming- Families Can Use our Swimming Pool for \$60 for the summer season. Contact the School Office for copy of the contract.

Minister	10/11/24	17/11/24
Greeter	R & K O'Gorman	T Hall & A Frances
Morning Tea	R & K O'Gorman	C & E Buenz
Music	Scott Cameron	Hemon & Katie (or other)
Prayers Faithful	Judy Kenter	Marg Jones
Readers	E Stolten & D Ogilvie	S & V Cameron
Eucharistic	J Kenter & K Courtney	M Macquet & J Moriarty
Cleaning		P and M Macquet
Lawns	John Farrelly	Mike Carr



**We warmly invite you to join us for a Christian Life Programme (CLP) on Saturday, November 9, 2024, at 5pm at 443A Main Road, Stoke Nelson.**

**This will be a unique opportunity as we welcome our Mission Head from Christchurch to facilitate the event, bringing fresh insights and spiritual guidance to help us grow in our faith and strengthen our marriages.**

**Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend! This will be an enriching experience, filled with inspiration, support, and community.**

**Let's come together in the spirit of faith, family, and friendship. We look forward to sharing this blessed occasion with each of you. Feel free to invite other couples who might be interested in joining the **Couples for Christ Community**.**

**For further details kindly contact:**

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