



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

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James 3: 16-4:3; Mark 9:30-37

MASS TIME Sunday Mass

MOTUEKA
Sunday 9.30am

RICHMOND
Sunday 9.30am

WAKEFIELD

Vigil Mass 5pm, 2nd Sat each month

WAIMEA WEST

Vigil Mass 5pm, 4th Sat each month

TAKAKA

Sunday 4pm, 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 Mass or by
Appointment

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Deadline Wednesday Noon

'If anyone would be first, he must be last and servant of all'

In the Gospel today, these words of Jesus are so important and relevant to us all. They are very timely words too as, this coming week on 27 September, we celebrate the Feast Day of St. Vincent de Paul.

St. Vincent lived a life of service - even being sold into slavery as a young man - seeking to help people, with humility, as well as to serve the Word of God in his role as a priest. His example continues to guide us today, partly in thanks to Frederic Ozanam who founded the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) in Paris, in 1833. This society has had a presence in New Zealand since 1867 - just 34 years after it was founded.

In New Zealand, the logo for the Society of SVdP is made up of 4 parts:

- ◇ a cup, representing help given to those in need
- ◇ the hand of the person in need, outstretched in order to receive the cup,
- ◇ the hand of the Vincentian holding and offering the cup,
- ◇ and the pierced hand of Christ blessing the cup.



in our Parish, we have a SVdP shop in Richmond - this is a thriving place where everyone is welcome and where all donations are gratefully received. In Motueka, we have a SVdP group (known as a 'conference'), offering outreach and support to those in need in the local community. Twice weekly, we gift our rostered time to meet people at Community House, offering food vouchers for supermarket shopping, food bags and/or firewood. There is often home baking available to offer people, and this is donated to us by another local group of volunteers. We are also able to guide people to access other local services for support, including food groups, Budget Advice and Christians Against Poverty. A monthly SVdP meeting takes place, in St. Peter Chanel church, for volunteers to connect, plan rosters and consider any issues that have arisen.

The Society of SVdP is a wonderful way to offer practical service and outreach within the Catholic Church - the service is well used, and well supported through charitable donations and gifts of food via New World supermarket. All people who access the service are treated with love, acceptance and respect - there is no judgement and there is no shame.

We are always keen to welcome new volunteers to join the group - if you would like further information, regarding the Motueka conference, please contact John Collins, via email: johncollinsnz47@gmail.com or phone: 021 293 4879.

OUR LADY OF THE BAYS



Season of Creation

We need to rethink among other things the question of human power, its meaning and its limits. For our power has frenetically increased in a few decades. We have made impressive and awesome technological advances, and we have not realized that at the same time we have turned into highly dangerous beings, capable of threatening the lives of many beings and our own survival." (# 22 *Laudate Deum*)

Action: Consider the ways in which our power and our technological progress are turning against us.

Love Is A Decision, spaces are filling up quickly for the final course of LIAD for 2024, in November. The next one won't be until March 2025. This is the flagship marriage preparation course of the Archdiocese. Enrol online at wn.catholic.org.nz. Any queries email marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz

"Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is accepting enrolments for first semester 2025 from 23rd September to 22nd November 2024. Courses offered are Bachelor of Divinity, Graduate Diploma in Theology, Diploma and Certificate in Christian Studies, and a new microcredential on Managing Church Organisations." (Please feel free to share the [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) posts on this.)

Suzanne Aubert Tertiary Scholarship 2025 applications are open

We are delighted to announce that applications for the Suzanne Aubert Tertiary Scholarship 2025 are open from 1 September 2024 until 1 October 2024.

This scholarship is designed to support students within the Catholic Archdiocese of Wellington and the Diocese of Palmerston North who will be studying in their second year of tertiary studies in 2025.

For more details and to apply, please visit our website:

<https://compassion.org.nz/suzanne-aubert-tertiary-scholarship/>

If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact:

Felicity Giltrap: felicity.g@compassion.org.nz

Death Without Debt – a workshop held late July 2024 at OLPH Parish Hall.

This workshop was well attended by members of our Parish and the wider community, who all welcomed the opportunity to discuss and gain information on managing what is often felt to be an untenable burden on families - arranging and managing tasks connected with the death of a family member. Far from going direct to the default position of leaving all this to a "Funeral Director", the information provided in this workshop outlined how we can reclaim our roles in having the funeral we want without associated financial cost. It's all about knowledge and choices.

The Death Without Debt organisation runs on volunteer labour. A workbook was made available to all participants of the workshop and information on obtaining copies of this can be obtained online at www.deathwithoutdebt.org.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, RICHMOND

On Monday 9 September Archbishop Paul Martin presided over mass at Saint Paul's school. As part of the mass he blessed our altar that had been generously donated by Mrs Anne Dowell who was a Parishioner of OLOP and a very keen supporter of our school in the early days of it being established. The mass was also attended by Anne's daughter Julieanne Dowell and her grandson Easton Dowell (a former pupil of Saint Paul's). We give thanks for her generosity. The Archbishop also blessed two handcrafted wooden crosses made by Chris Ashley and donated for use at masses and liturgies within the school by Judith Ashley.

Morning Tea for RSE Worker

This Sunday, September 22nd, the St Vincent de Paul Society is hosting a morning tea after Mass for the RSE workers who come to Mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Everyone is welcome to attend and even moreso if you are able to contribute something towards it!

Nga mihi nui,

St Vincent de Paul Society

Holiday Accommodation Wanted.

Retired catholic couple from Christchurch and their adult son are looking for a house to rent from 23 to 28 December 2024 in Nelson/Stoke/Richmond area. Inquires to Graeme or Teresa O'Connell 021 154 7707 or 027 353 4980 respectively.

ST PETER CHANEL, MOTUEKA

LEADERSHIP MEETING

The Leadership Group Meeting will be held this coming week. September 25th in the Church Foyer at 5-15 pm. All welcome, come along and join in with your time and talents.

PARISH MISSION

About a dozen people from Motueka attended at least one of Fr Frankie's presentations. An entertaining and rewarding experience covering high humour and deep devotion and lots in between.

Night One covered The Joy of the Gospel and used the examples of Mother Mary, Saint Faustina and Blessed Chiara Badano.

Night Two covered Divine Mercy. "God is waiting with His Mercy, and He wants to set you free"

The Church looked amazing when the main lights were turned off and just the spotlights shone on the Monstrance and candelabra on the Altar. Thanks, Fr Frankie, for visiting and sharing.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please remember the sick of our families and community. Those who are fighting disease or injury, and those who are supporting them. Especially Liz McNabb, Joan Curtain, and Hannah Ellis.

ST PETER CHANEL SCHOOL

Mass in Room Aroha

What a lovely experience celebrating Mass with Father Michael in Room Aroha. Thank you to our parishioners who were able to join us in this Mass dedicated to Social Justice and peace. Thank you so much for organising this Mass for us Miss Strong and Father Michael!

Father Frankie Visits Nelson / Tasman

This morning, we welcomed Father Frankie, a missionary priest who addressed the senior students, sharing a message of faith and love. Father Frankie said to have JOY in our lives, first we need to love Jesus, then Others and then You, as in ourselves (JOY).

School Disco

Thank you to our Parent Group for organising and setting up the hall for the School Disco on Friday. The night was a big success and the children had a great time.

Congratulations to Mhairi Campbell on her excellent prepared speech on "The Secret Life of Ballet". Mhairi was selected to represent St Peter Chanel School at the Interschool Speech Competition held at Upper Moutere School last week and did so with poise and flare.

Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori Ake, Ake, Ake – A Forever Language

This week in classes we will be putting extra emphasis on using Te Reo Māori in our interactions and celebrating the beauty of Te Reo.

Kapa Haka Group

Our Kapa haka Group performed at Motueka South Kindergarten last Wednesday morning to celebrate Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori. This was their first official performance after our Matariki celebration .

(For the full St Peter Chanel School Newsletter go to <https://www.spcmotueka.school.nz>)

Minister	22/09/24	29/9/24
Greeter	M Kilmartin & D Ogilvie	C. McKinstry & J Maguire
Morning Tea	R & K O'Gorman	M Kilmartin & L Assaf
Music	Josie Moriarty	Hemon & Katie
Prayers Faithful	Marg Jones	Jiim Maguire
Readers	S & V Cameron	Vhari & Grace
Eucharistic	A lane & K O'Gorman	J Kenter & E Taggart
Cleaning	S & C Collins	
Lawns	Maurice Roche	William Frondarina