



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

7th April 2024

Second Sunday of Easter

Issue 316

Acts 4:32-35; First John 5:1-6; John 20:19-31

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 5pm, 1st & 3rd each month
2nd Sunday of month at 9.30am

Service 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

Divine Mercy Sunday - Jesus I Trust in You - Praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

My dear brothers and sisters, Happy Feast of Divine Mercy. In her Diary, St. Sr. Faustina recorded a number of conversations she had with Jesus during which **Jesus made promises to those devoted to His Divine Mercy**. I selected a few of the most powerful of these promises for this week newsletter, with a special focus on praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

The Promises for Praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet

"Oh, what great graces I will grant to souls who say this Chaplet. Write down these words, my daughter. **Speak to the world about My mercy; let all mankind recognise my unfathomable mercy**. It is a sign for the end times; after it will come the day of justice. While there is still time, let them have recourse to the fount of my mercy; let them profit from the blood and water which gushed forth for them." {Diary, 848}

"**Say unceasingly the Chaplet that I have taught you**. Whoever will recite it, they will receive great mercy at the hour of death. **Priests will recommend it to sinners as their last hope of salvation**. Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy." {Diary, 687}

The Promise of The Grace of Mercy for the Dying

"It pleases me to grant everything souls ask of me by saying the chaplet. **When hardened sinners say it, I will fill their souls with peace, and the hour of their death will be a happy one**. Write this for the benefit of distressed souls; when a soul sees and realises the gravity of its sins, when the whole abyss of the misery into which it immersed itself is displayed before its eyes, let it not despair, but with trust, let it throw itself into the arms of My mercy, as a child into the arms of its beloved mother. **Tell them no soul that has called upon My mercy has been disappointed or brought to shame**. I delight particularly in a soul that has placed its trust in My goodness. **Write that when they say this Chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My father and the dying person, not as the Just Judge but as the Merciful Saviour**." {Diary, 1541}

"At the hour of their death, I defend every soul that will say this Chaplet as I do my own glory. **When this Chaplet is said by the bedside of a dying person, God's anger is placated, and His unfathomable mercy envelops the soul**." {Diary, 811}

"I desire that this mercy flow out upon the whole world through your heart. Let no one who approaches you go away without that trust in my mercy, which I so ardently desire for souls. **Pray as much as you can for the dying**. By your entreaties, obtain for them trust in my mercy, because they have most need of trust, and have it the least." {Diary, 1777}

Example of the Chaplet Saving Someone's Soul

"My daughter, help me to save a certain dying sinner. Say the Chaplet that I have taught you for him". When I began to say the Chaplet, I saw the man dying in the midst of terrible torment and struggle. His Guardian Angel was defending him, but he was, as it were, powerless against the enormity of the soul's misery. But while I was saying the Chaplet, I saw Jesus just as He is depicted in the Image. The rays that issued from Jesus' heart enveloped the sick man, and the powers of darkness fled in panic. The sick man peacefully breathed his last." {Diary, 1565}

Happy Feast of Divine Mercy – God bless you.

Rev. Fr. Jaya

OUR LADY OF THE BAYS

From Maintenance to Mission - getting the balance right!

Divine Renovation (DR) is a Catholic organisation focused on parish renewal. Fr James Mallon, DR's founder, introduced DR to NZ in 2018 at the national clergy assembly in Christchurch. Since then, the model has continued to inspire and facilitate renewal parishes all over the world. The Archdiocese is delighted to welcome Mr Dan O'Rourke (D.R's current president) to Wellington for an evening specifically focussed on strategies for renewal in our parishes. Parish Pastoral Council members and everyone interested in parish leadership are warmly invited to join us for a thought-provoking evening of inspiration as we ponder where to for our parishes.

We strongly recommend being there in person, but if distance is going to be awkward (e.g. You live in the South Island) you can join us on Teams. Please email for more details: l.hensel@wn.catholic.org.nz

Date: Thursday 18 April - 6:30pm (Cup of tea) 7.00pm- 9.00pm Session Venue: St Francis of Assisi Church, Johnsonville, Wellington. [Click here for a one-minute intro to Divine Renovation](#) [MINISTRY BIO - Divine Renovation Ministry](#) Leaflet at the church notification board.

We have an opportunity for a parishioner to consider which will assist with the running of our parish:

Safeguarding Officer – this person works with the ADW Safeguarding Advisor to ensure that all the policies and procedures relating to Safeguarding are adhered to. The Parish Administrator is also the Safeguarding Administrator and deals with all admin aspects leaving the Safeguarding Officer to focus on the training of new volunteers who will be working with children and vulnerable adults. They would liaise with the Parish Priest and the Safeguarding Advisor in the event of any concerns raised.

If you have interest in finding out more about this role please contact Fr Michael Bellizi in the first instance.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

An invitation from your NELSON DOVE FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN

Open to all women to come and watch an inspiring video about the Holy Spirit and be refreshed

Saturday 13th April, 1pm

35 William St Richmond. Parish Hall room

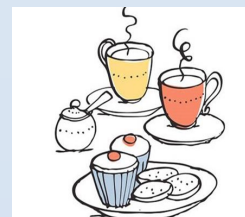
“Be Joyful, Pray & Be Thankful in all Circumstances” is our theme

WEDNESDAY 10th APRIL at 10.15am
You are welcome to morning tea in the hall
We will sit at tables to relax and chat
Louisa Rani will be the visiting guest
Our seminarian Emilio will introduce her
She would like to meet parishioners in the parish he is working in this year
There is Mass in the church at 9.15 am too



ANZAC Day 2024

Anzac Day will be commemorated with a Mass at 9.30am on Thursday 25 April in both the Richmond and Motueka Churches



We have an opportunity for an organised parishioner/parishioners to assist in the production of rosters every 3 months. The rosters are:

- *Eucharistic Ministers
- *Foyer Greeters
- *Children's Liturgy

Production of the rosters is not time consuming with a maximum to 3 to 4 hours every 3 months required if one person was to produce all 3. The rosters are already in place until the end of May.

If you would like more information please contact Adrienne Hill on either 021 526404 or howard_adrienne@xtra.co.nz



There are quite a few items in lost property box
They will be on the seat outside for 9.30 mass
Please look and claim what is yours.
If still there at end of April they go to Op shop
Phone cord charger found in the hall over Easter,
please call in the office

FROM THE LEADERSHIP GROUP

Health and Safety

Someone with an interest and skills in this area is required. Talk to Jim Maguire if you are interested.

Repairs and Maintenance

The leaking portico roof was discussed, and a quote for re-roofing it is being pursued.

The new Church alarm system is still to be finalised. As Richmond are also upgrading theirs, we will likely piggyback on their quote

Announcements at Mass

Fr. Michael is happy to announce special occasions, birthdays, anniversaries, etc, as long as he is prepared, and so are the participants.

Fr Michael also agreed to print out copies of his sermon for hearing impaired, and suggested an app could be set up.

Leadership Group members:

There was discussion about recruiting representatives from some of our different ethnic groups on to the committee, and several suggestions are being followed up.

Due to Erin Dugdale retiring, a new Minute secretary is required. Thanks for your great work over the last six years Erin.

NEWSLETTER E MAIL

The majority of our Parish Newsletters are now distributed by E Mail. It has taken a while, but over the next couple of weeks Newsletters should be getting sent to those Parishioners who have registered or changed their email addresses over the last few months. If you are not receiving this, and wish to have it emailed to you, there will be a form in the foyer for you to add your address to. "Yeah right!"

Well, the form will be there, and there will be an announcement at Mass drawing your attention to it .Or send your address to spcmot@gmail.com and it will get added.

REMEMBER THE SICK

Please keep in your prayers the sick, elderly, lonely and housebound of our parish, and our neighbourhoods. Remember particularly Joan Curtain and Peter Goodman. If you would like to see a new face once in a while, ring Cherie McKinstry on 021466554 to arrange a visit.

PIANO FUNDRAISING

You will be relieved to hear that the fundraising for the new Church piano has finished !

You will be amazed to hear that there was just over \$6000 raised. This means that the Piano can be wired into the sound system and that another microphone can be purchased to allow more volume and clarity from our soloists. When you remember the silent masses during Covid time, having the range and quality of our musicians adds so much to our weekly mass. Thank you to our Parishioners, and also to the many visitors, who have contributed so generously towards paying for our new electronic piano. And to Vickie Cameron who drove the project with such enthusiasm and charm!

QUILT RAFFLE

The raffle that was run as a Piano fundraiser with a traditional Shirly Cooper quilt as the prize, was drawn last week. The winner was Steve Fletcher, a visitor from Nelson. Congratulations Steve!

RON SHARP'S ANNIVERSARY

The Sharp family is having a first anniversary gathering for the passing of Ron Sharp. This will be at 2pm on Thursday 11th of April. If you were a friend of Ron's and wish to join them - please do so. They are meeting at the picnic table dedicated to Ron, outside St Peter Chanel Church. Please bring some afternoon tea with you

They would like to invite anyone who cares to join them. If it is wet, the gathering will be in the Church foyer.

ST PETER CHANEL SCHOOL

Due to the short week ,the School Newsletter is not out yet. For full details about our Parish School you look it up on the internet at spcmotueka.school.nz

Minister	7/4/2024	14/4/24
Greeter	S and J Collins	M&N Orchiston
Morning Tea	S & J Collins	N Orchiston
Music	Mary Wilson	Hemon & Katie
Prayers Faithful	V Dugdale	F Peacey
Readers	N&C Campbell	S Collins & V Dugdale
Eucharistic	K Courtney & J Moriarty	M Lucas & A Lane
Cleaning		J Reid & E Taggart
Lawns	John Farrely	Mike Carr