

Our Lady of the Valleys Parish

All Saints Day

1st November 2020



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Though in LEVEL 1, we are still encouraged to continue with **CONTACT TRACING** for Masses and other gatherings in the Parish. Details of online pre-registering are (via the Parish website or <https://www.picktime.com/OLOVMassAvailability> or use QR CODES displayed in all Parish venues, or manually sign in on the CONTACT TRACING Sheets provided.

Your assistance will help to keep us all safe.

Restrictions retained per Cardinal John’s latest directive are

- **Communion under one kind (no Precious Blood)**
- **Sign of Peace returns but no physical contact**
- **Communion in the hand only**

The full text of Cardinal John’s latest directive is available in the foyer of both churches.

Weekly Collection: \$1,211.20



IN THE PARISH		
Mon 2nd Nov	09:30 am	All Souls Day Mass at OLOG along with Saint Brendan’s school
	07.30 pm	Mass at SFX
Tue 3 rd Nov	05.30 pm	Men’s Group at Silverstream Bowling Club
Wed 4 th Nov	01.30 pm	Catholic Women’s League in the Pettit Centre
Sat 7 th Nov	02.00 pm	Circle of Friendship in the Pettit Centre



COLUMBAN CALENDARS FOR 2021

Limited numbers are out now and available at the Parish Office for \$12 each please hurry and secure a copy for yourself or a loved one.

CHRISTMAS CARDS - Are now on sale and are available at the Parish Office and at both churches on Sunday. Hurry and get yours today.



ECOLOGY, JUSTICE AND PEACE

The Beatitudes are like a Christian’s identity card. So if anyone asks: “What must one do to be a good Christian?” the answer is clear. We have to do, each in our own way, what Jesus told us in the Sermon on the Mount. In the Beatitudes, we find a portrait of the Master, which we are called to reflect in our daily lives.

Pope Francis: [Gaudete et Exsultate](#) #63



THE DEEP END –

Saints in the making

There is a patron saint for almost every situation you could imagine. When we've lost something, we talk to St Anthony; faced with a hopeless situation, we pray to St Jude. We ask St Christopher to help with a safe journey, and St Cajetan to intercede for a job interview. As we discovered this year, there are even patron saints for pandemics – St Edmund and St Roch. The list goes on. Many people have a favourite saint they reach out to in times of need. There is something about the saints that touches even the most cynical of hearts. Turning to a favourite saint is more than mere superstition. At its most basic level it is a reminder that we are not alone, that there is a life beyond this one and we are connected to it. At a deeper level it is an opportunity to reflect on these holy women and men who were shining examples of faith and virtue while alive, and who continue their great work by leading us closer to God.

This All Saints Day, the Beatitudes challenge us to look beyond the difficulties of this life and see the bigger picture. They offer a way of life that leads to eternal life. The saints whose help we see embodied many of the qualities of the Beatitudes – gentleness, mercy, fighting for justice, working for peace, bearing suffering with dignity. We all know people who embody these qualities – the many saints who may never be canonised but who show us how to live as followers of Christ. As we reflect on those who have gone before us, it leads us to ponder how we are doing: are we saints in the making?

'To be saints is not a privilege for the few, but a vocation for everyone.'

Pope Francis

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CIRCLE OF FRIENDSHIP

Our next gathering will be held on 7 November at 2 pm in the Pettit Centre. Our theme for this will be a sharing of memories from 50 years ago. Bring along memories of school days, marriage, children, historical events, and share your thoughts, photos and/or stories

As usual, if you are able to bring along a small gift of toiletries or a gold coin donation it will be very much appreciated. A cuppa and afternoon tea and chat will follow. See you all there.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Day of Reflection on Monday, 9th November at Our Lady of Grace Church and Pettit Centre. This will be facilitated by Joy Cowley 9.30am Morning tea, 10am Session 1 "Women in the Gospel", 11.30am Lunch, Session 2 12.30pm "Women in the Church", Session 3 1.30pm "Women in the World", 2.30pm Tea and Coffee together. A koha and something to share for lunch would be much appreciated. This is open to women from all Parishes. An initiative of the Catholic Women's League Wellington Archdiocese. Register your interest to Kathleen Emmerson 527 4543 Cell 027 659 0702 or Susan Lloyd 970 3730 Cell 021 068 3065

HEALING SERVICE

There will be a Healing Service conducted by Fr John Rea S M at St Pius X Church at Titahi Bay on Monday 9 November beginning at 7.30 pm. Come and receive the healing and peace that only Jesus can give.



PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP

Melbourne Cup Night The Family Groups are joining together for their enjoyable Melbourne Cup night and invite others in the Parish to join in too.

Saturday 7th November 7.30 pm at the Petitt Centre

If you intend to come, please **RSVP to your Family Group Leaders or to O'Briens Text 0276427158 or email thobrien@outlook.com by Wed 4th Nov.** Packs need to be prepared for each attendee.

Please bring a small plate for supper and any nibbles/ drinks for your table. Tea, coffee and juice will be supplied.

Dust off those hats and fascinators to wear on the night!



WHEN SUICIDE COMES TO CHURCH

A workshop specifically designed for clergy, chaplains, pastoral workers, lay preachers and youth ministers with award winning suicidologist Barry Taylor to be held at St Andrew's, The Terrace on Tuesday 24th Nov. The early bird price is \$115 +GST and includes morning and afternoon tea and lunch. Register online through Eventbrite for further information 04 905 6145.

SEEK – EXPLORE YOUR CALL

Sunday 8th November, 1pm to 5pm at Home of Compassion, Island Bay An opportunity for young adults (18+) to explore different vocations as Catholics. How are you called to serve God with your talents & gifts? What does vocation look like in 2020? The afternoon will conclude with a Young Church Mass at 5pm. To register please email youth@wn.catholic.org.nz

YOUNG CHURCH MASS 2020 with Cardinal John

Sunday 8 November @ 5pm

Home of Compassion, Rhine Street, Island Bay

All young people are welcome!



Fr Kevin the Editor of the Marist Messenger magazine who visited our Parish on the 10th and 11th of October has sent in this message:

“Sincere thanks to Fr Tony and the parishioners of Our Lady of the Valleys Parish for your kind welcome to me last weekend, and thanks for supporting the Marist Messenger”. Kevin Head SM www.maristmessenger.co.nz

ABOUT TO GET MARRIED

A wedding is a day, marriage is a lifetime.

Could you successfully run a marathon without preparing for it? Of course not! So too marriage.

The next opportunity to prepare for your lifetime together by attending a Engaged Encounter weekend marriage preparation course is 14th and 15th November. This is the final one for the year.

For more details go to the website <http://www.cee-wellington.co.nz/>

Phone Kate and Simon Olson. 04 801 6192 or email simonolsen@gmail.com



ADVENT RETREAT

Friday 27TH November 2020 – Sunday 29th November 2020 with Rex Begley and Fr. Donald Hornsey SSC – time to reflect on what's happened to You, our Church, our World since last Christmas.



Magnificat Retreat Centre, Cross Creek Road, Featherston. Cost \$190.00. Registration required Contact: rexandtheresabegley@gmail.com Phone: 027 545 6808 or 027 967 2299

NZ CATHOLIC

The November 1-14 issue is out now. Some headlines are: Call for cross-party accord on homelessness. New parish formally starts in east Auckland. Pro-life groups react to election result. Urban forest at Southland church.

The next issue of *NZ Catholic* will be published on November 15.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER all who are sick and unwell, those affected by the COVID-19 virus, and those who are lonely and worried. We pray also for those who have died recently including *Rodrigo Pragados, Nora Hanify, Margaret Hayes, Sr. Mary Gordon, and Patrick Blewman*. We also pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time. May they rest in peace.

Sunday Readings		Sunday Readings	
1 st November All Saints Day		8th November 32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	
First Reading	Apoc 7: 2-4, 9-14	First Reading	Wis 6: 12-16
Second Reading	1 John 3: 1-3	Second Reading	1 Thess 4: 13-18
Gospel	Matt 5: 1-12	Gospel	Matt 25: 1-13

Our Lady of Grace Church 5 Palmer Crescent, Heretaunga

Mass Times Sunday–10:30am

Weekdays Wed, Sat 9:00 am Mass, Fri 9:30 am Mass

Reconciliation – Please ring for an appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Friday (during school terms) 10.00am –6:00pm

St Francis Xavier Church 152 Stokes Valley Road, Stokes Valley

Mass Times Weekends 5:30pm Vigil (Sat) and 8:30am (Sun)

Samoan Community Mass 4th Sunday – 11:30 am

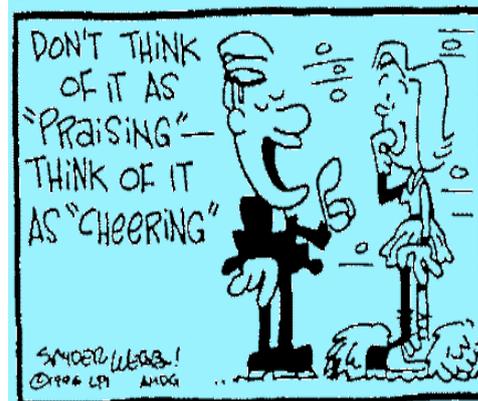
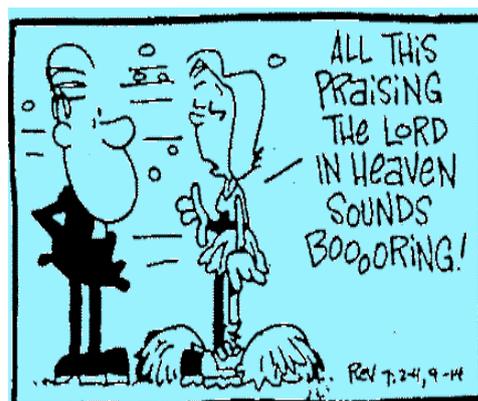
Weekdays– Tues, Thurs, 9:30am Mass – Wed, 9:30 am Liturgy of the Word

Reconciliation Please ring for an appointment

St Vincent de Paul – Heretaunga Stokes Valley

Terry 528 6313 Gordon 938 2750

Petone Shop 568 6408 SV Shop 563 9278



SOMETHING FOR THE YOUNG ONES

I Want to Do What's Right



AND THE OLDER ONES TOO

Practice What You Preach

But do not do what they do, for they do not practice what they preach. Matthew 23:3b (NIV)

Based on Matthew 23:1-12 (NIV)



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HUMBLE	FATHER	HONOR	LOADS	RABBI
BROTHERS	FINGER	IMPORTANT	MOSES	HEAVY
OBEY	PREACH	LIFT	PHARISEES	BANQUETS