


Our Lady of the Valleys Parish



Parish Priest Father Tony Kearns
Church Our Lady of Grace Church, 5 Palmer Crescent, Heretaunga (HTG)
 St Francis Xavier Church, 152 Stokes Valley Road. Stokes Valley (SV)
Sunday Eucharist Sat 5:30 pm Vigil (SV) 8:30 am (SV) and 10:30 am (HTG)
 Tuesday / Thursday 9:30 am (Stokes Valley)
Weekday Eucharist Wednesday / Saturday 9:00 am (Heretaunga)
 Friday 9:30 am (Heretaunga)
Weekday Liturgy of Word and HC Adoration of Blessed Sacrament Wednesday 9:30 am (Stokes Valley)
 Friday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm (Heretaunga)
Reconciliation By appointment with Parish Priest
Presbytery and Parish Office 5 Palmer Crescent Tel (04) 972 4282
 Heretaunga
Parish Administrator Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
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| 3 rd Sunday Ordinary Time | | Year C | 23 rd January 2022 |
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| READINGS | | | |
| 23 rd Jan | 1 st Reading 2 nd Reading Gospel | Nehemiah 8: 2-6, 8-10 1 Cor 12: 12-30 Lk 1: -4, 4: 14-21 |  |
| 30 th Jan | 1 st Reading 2 nd Reading Gospel | Jer 1: 4-5, 17-19 1 Cor: 12: 31-13:13 Lk 4: 21-30 | |



LIVE-STREAM OF MASS THIS SUNDAY

If you are unable to attend Mass at Our Lady of the Valleys a **LIVE-STREAMED MASS** are available from

9:00 am Diocese of Hamilton www.cdh.org.nz/livestream
 9:30 am Our Lady of Kapiti Church www.kapiti-catholic.org.nz/
 2:00 pm Diocese of Auckland (via ShineTV) Sky Ch 201 Free-to-Air Ch 25

Wed 26th Jan 10:00 am Coffee morning at Equinox Cafe 458 Fergusson Dr

WELCOME BACK FR. TONY

A special welcome also to Fr. Peter Fitzgibbon who will be in residence at the Presbytery for a period of time.



VOLUNTEERS

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED URGENTLY

At **St Francis Xavier**, Stokes Valley
 Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Society (Flowers), Altar Linen, Cleaners.

At **Our Lady of Grace Church**, Heretaunga

Eucharistic Ministers, Cleaners

Please contact the office on 9724282 if you can help out.



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2022

Enrolments for the 2022 Sacramental Preparation Program are now open for those candidates who would like to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist.

Enrolments can also be submitted on-line at www.olv.org.nz/sacraments/. Enrolment forms are also available in the foyer of both churches and the School.

The Programme starts on February 13th as the Reconciliation portion happens over Lent. Any enquiries please contact Fr Tony or Jenny Mahony, the Sacramental Programme Co-ordinator.

COVID-19 DETAILS FOR MASS ON SUNDAY

PRE-BOOKING OF SATURDAY RESTRICTED NUMBER MASS UNDER THE TRAFFIC LIGHT SYSTEM ONLY ONLY 50 PEOPLE CAN ATTEND

Pre-booking is essential. Access to this is through the link

<https://www.picktime.com/OLOVMassAvailability>

VACCINE PASS MANDATORY FOR BOTH THE 8.30 AM AT STOKES VALLEY AND 10.30 AM AT HERETAUNGA UNDER CURRENT GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS WE CANNOT ALLOW YOU IN IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A PASS



BELOW is a link to a video clip the Parish has created giving details around the application of the COVID Traffic Light System in our Parish. The link is also available on our webpage.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/17v4KcBQ9AzEgEXM7NaxvQzK9352djZ-p/view?usp=sharing_eil_m&ts=61a910e6

THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL

The scene in the synagogue marks the launch of the public ministry of Jesus in Luke. Jesus was filled with the Spirit and sent. He came bursting with a message to communicate. When have you had the experience of being enthused by something in that way? Who have been the people you met who had that kind of enthusiasm?

His message was addressed to those who were poor, oppressed, blind, or captives. Who are these today? In what ways have you been, or are you, among these? How has the message of Jesus been good news for you, freed you, given you new sight, or revealed God's favour to you

The message Jesus had was one of liberation and he told his listeners that it was being fulfilled even as they listened. It is being fulfilled even as we hear it **NOW**. If this does not resonate with you right now, when has the gospel given you an experience of liberation?

This is the Sunday of the Word of God, the word that gives life. The written word of God is not always easy to understand. What has helped you to be more at home with the Bible so that you could find there encouragement, hope, inspiration, meaning and purpose in life?





COFFEE MORNINGS

The coffee morning is BACK – every last Wednesday of the month Parishioners are welcome to join in for a chat and fellowship at the Equinox Cafe on Fergusson Drive. This starts on the 26th of January please feel free to join in.

SENIOR SOCIAL WORKER

Catholic Social Services is seeking an experienced social worker to join our dynamic team in Wellington This full time role is 37.5 hours per week



For a copy of the job description or additional information please contact us on 043858642. Please email your CV and covering letter to reception@wn.catholic.org.nz Applications close at 3pm on Friday 4th February 2022.

NEW ZEALAND CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE

Role vacancy: Manager

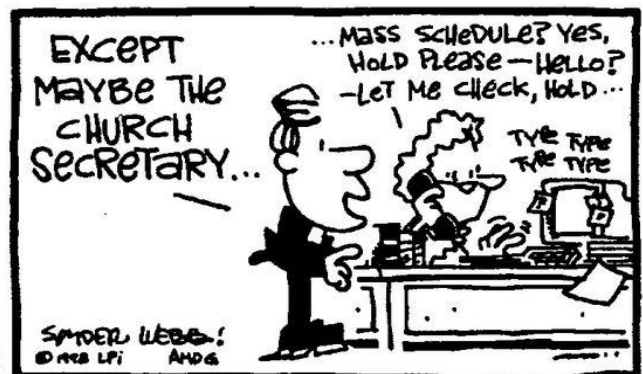
Applications are invited for the position of Manager for the New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference (NZCBC). The NZCBC coordinates the national activities and ministries of the Catholic Church of which the Manager will be a key leadership role. The main functions of the position are coordinating people, projects, and agencies; leading or supporting a broad range of ad-hoc initiatives and events; and supporting strategic planning. We offer a supportive, family-friendly, and flexible workplace. The successful applicant will have excellent project and people skills and a professional background. This is a permanent role, based at the Catholic Centre in Wellington, and can be part or full-time negotiable.

Details: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/nzcbc-manager-apply/>



PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER all who are sick and unwell, those affected by the COVID-19 virus, and those who are lonely. We pray also for those who have died recently including John Van Dorrestein, Johanna Van Schaik, Nina Webster Styles, Sharon Griffen, and Edward Jordan. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace.

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ORATIO IMPERATA
On the threat from Covid19

God our Father, we come to you in our need
to ask your protection against COVID19
that has disturbed and even claimed lives.



We pray that you guide the people
tasked to find cures for this disease and to stem its transmission.
Protect the medical experts that they may minister to the sick
with competence and compassion.

We pray for those afflicted.
May they be restored to health soon.
Protect those who care for them.
Grant eternal rest to those who have died.

Give us the grace in this trying time
to work for the good of all and to help those in need.
We implore you to stop the spread of this virus
and to save us from our fears.

Grant all these through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son,
who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God forever and ever. Amen.