Our Lady of the Valleys Parish

Parish Priest Father Tony Kearns

Church Our Lady of Grace Church, 5 Palmer Crescent, Heretaunga (HTC)

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) Wednesday /Saturday 9:00 am (Heretaunga)

Friday 9:30 am (Heretaunga)

Weekday Liturgy of Word and HC Wednesday 9:30 am (Stokes Valley)

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament Friday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm (Heretaunga)

Reconciliation By appointment with Parish Priest

Presbytery and5 Palmer Crescent
HeretaungaTel(04) 972 4282Parish AdministratorMonday – Friday9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Website www.olov.org.nz E-mail office@olov.org.nz pp@olov.org.nz

St Brendan's School 56 Palmer Cres Tel (04) 939 1909

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4th Sunday Ordinary Time READINGS		Year C		30 th January 2022
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		
6 th Feb	1 st Reading 2 nd Reading Gospel	Isaiah 6: 1-8 1 Cor: 15: 1-11 Lk 5: 1-11		



Weekday Eucharist

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

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Tue 1 st Feb	5:30 pm	Men's Group at Silverstream Bowling Club
Wed 2 nd Feb	1.30 pm	Catholic Women's League in the Pettit Centre
Sat 5 th Feb	02.00 pm	Circle of Friendship in the Pettit Centre



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.



COVID-19 DETAILS FOR ALL MASS FOR SUNDAY - RED SETTINGS

From 28th January, with the movement to the RED setting for the COVID PROTECTION FRAMEWORK the Parish Council and Liturgy Committee has decided that all 3 Masses for Sunday each weekend have been designated at This change has been made to allow as many COVID PASS events. parishioners as possible to be able to access Sunday Eucharist.

From this weekend therefore only parishioners who can show a COVID PASS will be allowed into a Sunday Mass. This is a change for the 5:30pm Vigil Mass which WAS a RESTRICTED NUMBER event. It is now COVID PASS event. Under the Red Setting there is a limit of 100 people allowed to attend.

To monitor the number of attendees at each Mass (to ensure we remain with the Government's limit of 100). PRE-BOOKING for ALL SUNDAY MASSES (5:30pm Sat Vigil. - 8:30am and 10:30am Sunday MASS) is essential. If you are not prebooked you may not be able to enter Mass if 100 people have been booked in. Access to the Picktime booking system is available is through the link https://www.picktime.com/OLOVMassAvailability or on the Parish website

VACCINE PASSES ARE MANDATORY FOR ALL SUNDAY MASSES AT STOKES VALLEY AND AT HERETAUNGA UNDER CURRENT GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS WE CANNOT ALLOW YOU IN IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A PASS

THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL

The people of Nazareth could not accept that this local boy had something to teach them. Fixed ideas about people can at times block us from hearing what is being said. What a difference when we drop our prejudices! Perhaps you have experienced hearing an important truth when you focussed on what was being said, rather than on the person saying it?

The anger of the people arose when Jesus confronted them with God's inclusive ways. For them, God was 'their God' and God's blessings were for them. Jesus reminded them that this is not God's way. When have you been challenged to think in new ways and not to be excluding some people from your thoughts or concerns? Was there good news for you in the challenge? Jesus continued his work despite the opposition. Have there been times when despite opposition you have been able to 'walk through the people' and 'continue on your way'? Have you seen this courage in others?



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

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





Welcome back to all our friends and a Happy New Year to you all. Our first Circle of Friendship gathering for this year will be held at the Petit Centre, behind Our Lady of Grace Church, on Saturday 5 February at 2pm. We will share happy stories from

the Festive Season. Brenda Lister will start with some very amusing anecdotes based on "Did this ever happen to you?" As usual a toiletries donation or gold coin donation will be most appreciated.

As the whole country is now at RED level, we require that you show your vaccination passes and have a mask with you.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

"Welcome to 2022" February 2nd at 1.30pm in the Pettit Centre. An afternoon tea to celebrate the start of a new year that is hopefully free from Covid interruption. Members please a "small plate" of finger food to share. Also subs of \$20.00 is also due. Look forward to seeing as many members as possible. Marilyn



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TONGA RELIEF APPEAL

Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand has mobilized prepositioned supplies to be of immediate assistance, and will continue to work with Caritas Tonga to best assist those in need. We have also pledged a solidarity grant to go immediately to assist with the response to the disaster. If you would like to donate to the emergency relief work of Caritas in Tonga, Donations can be Caritas online through the Pacific Relief made to Fund (www.caritas.org.nz/donate-online) or via our bank account 03-0518-0211216-00 - please include your first & last name and put 'Tonga' as the code. Alternatively, you can donate by credit card over the phone by calling 0800 22 10 22.

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 weekFor 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/

NZ CATHOLIC



Since we are all back at the "red" traffic light setting, NZ

Catholic are providing, free of charge, a digital link to their latest issue. A cover graphic and 'click link graphic' are also attached.

https://indd.adobe.com/view/91a009bd-7a0c-4a13-ab64-7297600e2e3c

Some headlines for this issue: New priest wants to journey with people. Church response to royal commission interim redress report. Bishop "Bob" Leamy was a born leader. Survey on meaning should make Church leaders think.



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 Joan Hanify, John Van Dorrestein, Francis Burke, Johanna Van Schaik, Nina Webster Styles, Sharon Griffen, Edward Jordan and Lorraine Sinclair. We pray also for

those whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace.





A PUZZLE FOR YOU



Find eight differences between the two pictures.







Make a card for someone who is sick in your family or neighborhood.



FOR THE YOUNG ONES





4th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Luke 4:21-30

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.