

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)

Weekday Eucharist

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 and

5 Palmer Crescent

Tel (04) 972 4282

Parish Office

Heretaunga

Parish Administrator

Monday – Friday

9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Website

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St Brendan's School

56 Palmer Cres

Tel (04) 939 1909

5th Sunday Ordinary Time

Year C

6th February 2022

READINGS

6th Feb

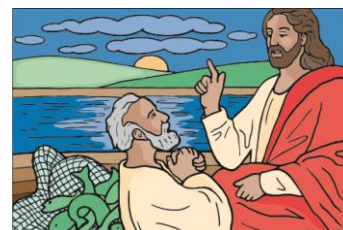
1st Reading
2nd Reading
Gospel

Isaiah 6: 1-8
1 Cor: 15: 1-11
Lk 5: 1-11

13th Feb

1st Reading
2nd Reading
Gospel

Jer 17:5-8
1Cor 15:12,16-20
Lk 6:17,20-26



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

Sat 5th Feb

02.00 pm

Circle of Friendship in the Pettit Centre

13th Feb

07:00 pm

Sac Prog Parents' Meeting Pettit Centre



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.

WAITANGI DAY THIS WEEKEND

This weekend as a nation we celebrate Waitangi Day. May this day be a time of coming together (safely under current COVID restricts) of us as a family of 5 million as we pray . – God defend New Zealand





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 COVID PASS events. This change has been made to allow as many 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 pre-booked 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 gift of the Mission

Early on in my work in parish ministry, I had to deal with a tough human resources situation, letting some staff members go and stepping into a role that demanded more of my time and energy.

In moments like this, stewardship can feel burdensome. Things take a turn we didn't expect, perhaps in spite of our best efforts. Maybe more is asked of us than we want or feel prepared to give.

But that's when we need to remember that stewardship isn't a job that we apply for. It's a gift bestowed directly from God, the Creator of all, and that can be scary all on its own, if we are preoccupied with our own unworthiness. What we might want to do is fall on our knees like Simon Peter and announce, "Depart from me, Lord — I am sinful."

But what if we stop looking in the mirror and look instead to God?

All those years ago, when I was faced with that ministerial challenge, I asked my wife to join me. What started as a tough situation turned into a decade of shared ministry with her — an experience I wouldn't trade for anything. It was a burden that became a gift.

We must remember that God knows what He is about. In His mercy, He gives us what we need as everyday stewards. When God calls out, "Whom shall we send?" we — in all our sinfulness — are allowed to cry out "Send me, Lord!" And He sends us out and behold — our nets tear with the bounty we harvest in His name.



— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



WORLD MARRIAGE DAY 13th February 2022 at 7.30 pm. Save the date! “Building a Love that lasts!” Book in some intentional time as a married couple to enrich your relationship....right from the comfort of your own home!

Grab some wine + cheese and tune in at 7.30 pm for a live talk by Megan and Nahum Kozak of Lighthouse Relationships. **Registration is free!** <https://www.cdh.org.nz/events> This a nationwide event sponsored by the [Catholic Network of Marriage Educators](https://www.cdh.org.nz/events) and promoted by ADW Marriage Ministries. (Please notice in foyer)

ROYAL COMMISSION ON ABUSE IN CARE – CATHOLIC CHURCH MEDIA STATEMENT

During the last week the Church issued a press statement regarding investigations into abuse in faith based care facilities. For those interested media statements from the Bishops' Conference can be found on our webpage www.olv.org.nz. We pray for all involved in the Commission work and ask the healing and strengthening power of the Holy Spirit.

Te Rōpū Tautoko

The group coordinating Catholic engagement with the Royal Commission



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2022

The Sacramental Programme begins next Sunday on 13th February with a Parents' Session at 7:00pm, in the Pettit Centre. If you haven't already please enrol as soon as possible to allow time for resources to be collated. Booking for the meeting is required and can be done using the Picktime booking system.

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 with the Reconciliation portion leading up to The Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent. Any enquiries please contact Fr Tony or Jenny Mahony, the Sacramental Programme Co-ordinator.

Greenstone Doors

Greenstone Doors has spaces in our Living in Colour programme beginning Wed 2nd March 7pm-9pm at the Chanel Family Centre in Upper Hutt.



Living in Colour is a healing and recovery programme for women who have experienced abortion. It is an 8-week programme that gently helps you process the emotional impact of the decision and helps to bring you from unresolved loss to a life of greater colour and freedom.

This programme is being facilitated by Wendy Hill alongside Laurette Locke. Wendy is widely known in the Wellington region for her work with this particular kind of grief.

Contact Wendy 027 254 9222 if you are interested or if you would like more information



CIRCLE OF FRIENDSHIP

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 200pm. 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.

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 made to Caritas online through the Pacific Relief 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.

Bishop Gielan invites us to recite the prayer below as part of our evening prayer for the people of Tonga

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble
Therefore we shall not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its
tumult.

God is in the midst of the city, it shall not be moved.

God will help it when the morning dawns.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge."

From Psalm 46.

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 Sr Monica Quigg RSM, Joan Hanify, John Van Dorrestein, Francis Burke, and Lorraine Sinclair. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace.



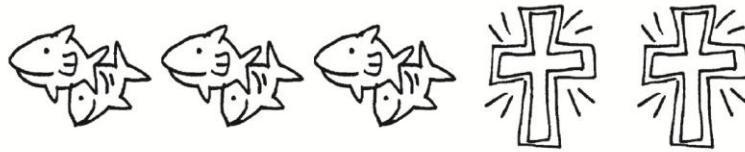
5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



A PUZZLE FOR YOU

PUZZLE

Circle the group in each row that has **more**.
Then color in all the pictures.



MISSION

I will remind my family to ask God for answers
to their problems.

FOR THE YOUNG ONES

GROWING

WITH THE *Gospel*

CYCLE C



COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



5th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Luke 5:1-11

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.