

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)
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament	Friday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm (Heretaunga)
Reconciliation	By appointment with Parish Priest
Presbytery and Parish Office	5 Palmer Crescent Heretaunga Tel (04) 972 4282
Parish Administrator	Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
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PALM SUNDAY READINGS

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10th April 2022

10th April

1st Reading
2nd Reading
Gospel

Isaiah 50: 4-7
Philippians 2: 6-11
Luke 22: 14-23:56

17th April

1st Reading
2nd Reading
Gospel

Act 10: 34, 37-43
Colossians 3: 1-4
John 20: 1-9



LIVE-STREAM OF MASS THIS SUNDAY

If you are unable to attend Mass at Our Lady of the Valleys a **LIVE-STREAMED MASS** is 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 Apr 13th

6:30 am

Early Morning Mass OLOG

Thur Apr 14th

7:30 pm

Mass of Last Supper OLOG

Fri Apr 15th

3:00 pm

Celebration of the Passion

Sat Apr 16th

8:00pm

Easter Vigil (**NOTE change from regular Vigil time**)

WELCOME Seminarian Gerson Badayos who will be with us from 8th April to after Easter. Please make Gerson feel welcome when he arrives.

FLOWERS FOR EASTER



The florists at Stokes Valley and Heretaunga are asking if parishioners would like to provide flowers in white or gold and foliage suitable for decorating the Church for Holy Thursday and/or Easter Saturday-Sunday. Flowers etc can be left in the front porch of either church by 9:00 am Saturday at SFX and 5:00 pm Friday at OLOG. Thanks in

anticipation.

CIRCLE OF FRIENDSHIP

It was great to see 31 women attending our meeting last Saturday afternoon to hear our speaker Amanda Jane Brosnan sharing her experiences of her 10 month stint in Israel with the NZ Army.

It was most interesting to hear about the places she visited as a tourist (not in uniform). The slides illustrated her talk and gave insights into the scenery, topography, and history of this amazing area of the world.

Her talk was followed by question time and our usual mix and mingle over a cuppa.



PLANNED GIVING – IRD CHARITABLE DONATION RECEIPTS

The New Tax year begins on the 1st of April. Over the next couple of weeks the Parish Office will be preparing and checking the tax Inland Revenue charitable donation receipts for 2021-22. These will be available by end of April early May along with the envelopes for the year 2022-23

RECONCILIATION IN OUR PARISH

Due to the challenges of COVID-19 Omicron for both confessors and penitents to gather it has been decided that there will be **NO RITE II RECONCILIATION** offered this Lent.

While Rite I is always available on an 'as need' basis (merely contact Fr Tony 04 972 4282 and arrange a time or approach him after a weekday Mass).



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

Under the Red Setting there is a limit of 200 people permitted to attend

To monitor the number of attendees at each Mass (to ensure we remain with the Government's limit). **PRE-BOOKING for ALL SUNDAY MASSES (5:30pm Sat Vigil. – 8:30am and 10:30am Sunday MASS)** is requested. If you are not pre-booked you may not be able to enter Mass if 200 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 www.lov.org.nz



HOLY WEEK AND TRIDUUM 2022

10th April	Saturday	Palm Sunday Vigil	5:30 pm SFX (10 th April)
11th April	Sunday	Palm Sunday	8:30am Eucharist SFX 10:30 am OLOG
12 th April	Tuesday	of Holy Week	9:30am Eucharist SFX
13 th April	Wednesday	of Holy Week	6:30am Eucharist OLOG 9:00 am Eucharist OLOG
14 th April	Thursday	Mass of the Last Supper	7:30pm OLOG
15 th April	Good Friday		3:00pm Memorial of the Lord's Passion SFX
16 th April	Saturday	Easter Vigil	8:00pm SFX
17 th April	Easter Sunday –		8:30am Easter Eucharist SFX 10:30 am OLOG

Palm Sunday – there will be no procession on this day. The palms will be blessed in the sanctuary at the start of Mass and be available from table

placed in the front of the church at the end of Mass. Please remember to use hand sanitizer when picking these up from the basket.

Mass of the Lord's Supper - there will be no washing of the feet again this year. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will not occur at the end of Mass as this extends the time people are present with one another.

Passion of the Lord - Adoration of the Cross will be from your places in the church.

Easter Vigil - There will be no public Easter fire ceremony and no procession. Lighting of individual candles through the sharing of light from the Paschal

QUARTERLY FINANCE REPORT January – March 2022	
Operating Income	4959
Less Expenditures	
Pastoral Costs	(20,306)
Property Costs*	(6,440)
Administration Costs	(6,830)
Total Operating Expenditure	(33,576)
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	16,183
Balance Sheet Flows	
Balance Sheet Inflows	2,923
Balance Sheet Outflows	(3,482)
Excess/(Deficit) for the Qtr	15,623



GARDENING/HANDYPERSON ASSISTANCE

The handyman/gardener who works for about 5 hours per week to keep the grounds and buildings at the Heretaunga site has undergone serious surgery that means he will be unable to work for approximately 3 months. The work involves cleaning the toilets in OLOG Church and Pettit Centre, cleaning the floor of the Pettit Centre and looking after the church grounds (note – mowing of the large lawns is **NOT** one of the tasks).

The Finance Committee is asking whether any parishioner(s) may be able as a short-term measure until something more definite is known about the handyman's return to work is known.

If you can assist please talk to Fr Tony in the presbytery.



SYNOD SUBMISSIONS CLOSING SOON!

There are 3 weeks left to contribute to the global Synod. Give us a call if you are unsure how to participate or visit

<https://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/about/archdiocesan-synod/> or contact Chris (04 496 1706) or Lucienne (04 496 1715) Email synod@wn.catholic.org.nz

ECOLOGY, JUSTICE AND PEACE

What happened to those people who in a few days' time went from shouting "Hosanna" to crying out "Crucify him"? What happened? They were following an *idea* of the Messiah rather than *the* Messiah...To admire Jesus is not enough. We have to follow in his footsteps.

Pope Francis: [Homily for Palm Sunday 2021](#)



THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL

In this scene of great tragedy, there are people helping others, either reluctantly or with compassion: Simon, the women of Jerusalem, the criminal on the cross, and Jesus himself. Note the differences in the manner in which the help given (as a burden, with sympathy, etc). What has been your experience of helping and being helped?

Despite the persecution by the leaders Jesus still shows forgiveness. When have you seen that spirit of forgiveness in yourself or in others? In your experience what is the effect of a forgiving spirit ... or the absence of that spirit?

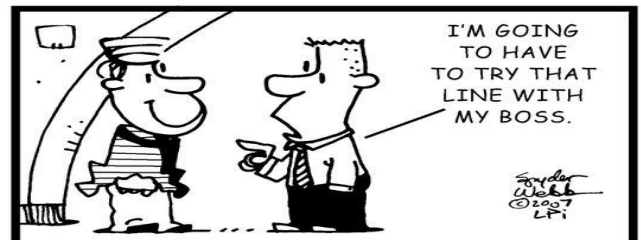
Towards the end there is a ray of light. Jesus says 'Father, into your hands I commend my spirit'. His relationship with his Father was one of trust, even at a moment like this. What difference has it made to you in times of difficulty or pain to have a relationship of trust with God, or with someone else?

NZ CATHOLIC A digital link to the latest issue. **NZCatholic**
<https://indd.adobe.com/view/f48230de-86ce-46ce-8d55-5dcdef6650b8> Some headlines for this issue: Social and community housing project on Church land. New CEO for Caritas. Kiwis pray for peace in Ukraine. Icons in exhibition at Akld gallery.



We remember 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 Kathleen Crean DOLC, Michael Jackson, Bernadette Hague, Robert Netzler, John Keigan and Vernon Gerard. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur around this time especially John Leitner. May they rest in peace.

PALM SUNDAY



One Palm Sunday, little Johnny was sick and stayed home from church. When his brothers and sisters came home carrying palm branches, Johnny asked where the palms came from. His father replied, "When Jesus walked by, people held palm branches over his head." "Just my luck!" Johnny said. "The one time I don't go to church, Jesus shows up."

- JokeQuote.com

A PUZZLE FOR YOU

PUZZLE

Jesus is the King, so here is a maze inside of his crown.



MISSION

Make Jesus king of your life. Ask him to help you spend your time doing the things that would make him happy.



BECAUSE VIBRANT
CHURCHES MATTER

FOR THE YOUNG ONES

GROWING

WITH THE *Gospel* CYCLE C



COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion • Luke 22:14-23:56

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.