

# Our Lady of the Valleys Parish

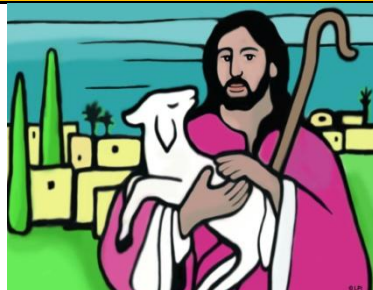


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| <b>Parish Priest</b>                  | Father Tony Kearns   |
| <b>Church</b>                         | Our Lady of Grace Church, 5 Palmer Crescent, Heretaunga (HTG)<br>St Francis Xavier Church, 152 Stokes Valley Road. Stokes Valley (SV)                                      |
| <b>Sunday Eucharist</b>               | Sat 5:30 pm Vigil (SV) 8:30 am (SV) and 10:30 am (HTG)<br>Tuesday / Thursday 9:30 am (Stokes Valley)   |
| <b>Weekday Eucharist</b>              | Wednesday / Saturday 9:00 am (Heretaunga)<br>Friday 9:30 am (Heretaunga)   |
| <b>Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</b> | Friday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm (Heretaunga) [term time]  |
| <b>Reconciliation</b>                 | By appointment with Parish Priest  |
| <b>Presbytery and Parish Office</b>   | 5 Palmer Crescent<br>Heretaunga<br><b>Tel</b> (04) 972 4282  |
| <b>Parish Administrator</b>           | Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm  |
| <b>Website</b>                        | <a href="http://www.olv.org.nz">www.olv.org.nz</a> <b>E-mail</b> <a href="mailto:office@olv.org.nz">office@olv.org.nz</a> <a href="mailto:pp@olv.org.nz">pp@olv.org.nz</a> |
| <b>St Brendan's School</b>            | 56 Palmer Cres<br><b>Tel</b> (04) 939 1909   |

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER READINGS

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1<sup>st</sup> May 2022

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| 8 <sup>th</sup> May  | 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading<br>Gospel | Act 13: 14, 43-52<br>Apocalypse 7: 9, 14-17<br>John 10: 27-30 |  |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> May | 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading<br>Gospel | Acts 14: 21-27<br>Apocalypse 21: 1-5<br>John 13: 31-35        |  |



### 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

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

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| Tue May 10 <sup>th</sup>  | 7:00 pm | St Vincent de Paul – Stokes Valley |
| Wed May 11 <sup>th</sup>  | 7.15 pm | St Vincent de Paul - Heretaunga    |
| Thur May 12 <sup>th</sup> | 7:30 pm | Parish Finance Committee           |



### PLANNED GIVING – IRD CHARITABLE DONATION RECEIPTS

The Tax receipts along with the new envelopes are now available in the foyer of both Churches. Kindly ensure that you pick up your receipts and the new envelopes. If your Donation Receipt/Envelopes are not in the foyer of the church please advise the Parish Office who can arrange for it to be relocated for you,

### COVID-19 DETAILS FOR ALL MASSES FOR SUNDAY – ORANGE SETTINGS

Under the ORANGE Setting there is no limit of number of people permitted to attend. The Parish Council has decided at this stage while the Omicron virus is still moving through the community, to at this stage retain the current seating arrangements at Masses. They will review this decision next month and advise if there will be any changes based on the COVID-19 settings current at that time





## CIRCLE OF FRIENDSHIP

At the Petit Centre on 7<sup>th</sup> May at 2 pm. The speaker this month is Sonya Sloan who used to be in the Police force. She is now with Paraparaumu Council and speaks to elder/Church groups about updating driving, safety in public and at home, keeping safe from telephone/emails scams and elder abuse.

As usual a gold coin donation or gift of toiletries would be most appreciated. We will end the afternoon with our usual chat and cuppa.

## VOCATION SUNDAY

Pope Francis says, "Every vocation is born of that gaze of love with which the Lord came to meet us, perhaps even at a time when our boat was being battered by the storm. We will succeed in discovering and embracing our vocation once we open our hearts in gratitude and perceive the passage of God in our lives."

Good Shepherd Sunday is a special day of prayer for vocations to the priesthood. Please pray for Deacon Alfred, our seminarians, Matthew, Kinh, Emilio, and Gerson and for all those discerning the call to priesthood.

Could someone you know become tomorrow's priest? Pray for this person. Invite him to consider priesthood. Affirm his gifts and qualities. Encourage him to be open to the possibility of priesthood.

**CONTACT** Fr Andrew Kim, Vocations Director of Archdiocese of Wellington Email [andlekis@hotmail.com](mailto:andlekis@hotmail.com), Phone 022 102 2011.



## PETTIT CENTRE UPDATE

Hooray!!! the roof is on and the walls and ceiling are covered with gib. The painting and final electrical work will be completed shortly.



Thanks to those who have already assisted the work by providing donations towards its cost.

*Finance Committee*

## MOTHER'S DAY

St Brendan's School students have designed a bookmark with a prayer for Mother's Day. We invite the mothers of our parish to take one with them.



A Mother's Day Prayer

Thinking of you on Mother's Day, and saying a special prayer

That God, who knows how dear you are, will keep you in His care.

That He will bless your daily life with joys of every kind with perfect health and happiness and peace of heart and mind. Amen



## REQUEST FOR HELP!

Lower Hutt Hospital Chaplain has asked for our help with items for "Care Packages" to support patients unexpectedly spending time in hospital.

The need is mostly for toiletries, in small sizes, e.g. travel packs.

Shortages are...toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, soap, moisturiser, deodorant, combs. They are always grateful for rosary beads and any small

notepads and pens. Please call Chris on 5287847 if you have any items you wish to donate.



## ST BERNARD'S COLLEGE OPEN DAY

St Bernard's College will be holding an Open Day on Saturday 28 May 2022 from 10:00am until 2:00pm. Prospective students and their parents are invited to visit during these hours to find out more about St Bernard's College and what we can provide. Our new classrooms will be completed by then and open for visitors to view. St Bernard's College is a Year 7-13 Catholic boys' college. For further information please see our website: [www.sbc.school.nz](http://www.sbc.school.nz)

## THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL

Jesus tells us that we can rely on his relationship with us. Think of the relationships you have in which you feel safe and secure because there is mutual understanding, and the relationship has stood the test of time.

Jesus says that the disciple is one who listens. What is your experience of listening to the word of God in the Scriptures? To what other voices have you listened and found guidance?

The faithful disciple is also one who follows the path of love that Jesus preached and practiced. Although it may be difficult at times, it is in following it we find life. Where have you had the experience of listening, responding, loving, and finding life?



## SACRED HEART COLLEGE

2023 enrolments now open. Online from Monday 2 May

OPEN MORNINGS – 1 June – Catholic Schools 2 June – All Welcome

Please visit [sacredheartcollege.school.nz](http://sacredheartcollege.school.nz) under 'Enrolment' to submit an online enrolment or for more information. You can also contact us directly at [enrolments@sacredheartcollege.school.nz](mailto:enrolments@sacredheartcollege.school.nz)

## ECOLOGY, JUSTICE AND PEACE

He is everyone's shepherd. Jesus wants everyone to be able to receive the Father's love and encounter God.

Pope Francis: [Angelus for Good Shepherd Sunday](#), 25 April 2021

## NZ CATHOLIC



Please find below a link to the latest free digital issue

<https://indd.adobe.com/view/a7fa5f65-1699-44e7-9334-9dd35f940bc1> Headlines for this issue: NZ canon lawyer calls for more laity in Church governance. Dame Lyndsay Freer retires from Church media role. Cardinal Dew quizzed on radio at Easter. Northland author of book on priests suffers devastating property fire.



**GREENSTONE DOORS** is looking for volunteers who can become a Greenstone Aunty. A Greenstone Aunty is a mature mentor who has volunteered to give continuous support to a pregnant and/or first-time mother and her partner. The Aunties will walk alongside and accompany the mothers through pregnancy and into first time motherhood. You must have a

heart for women and children and be able to:

- Work with a diverse range of people in a non-judgmental way
- Provide two referees and be police checked
- Attend training sessions



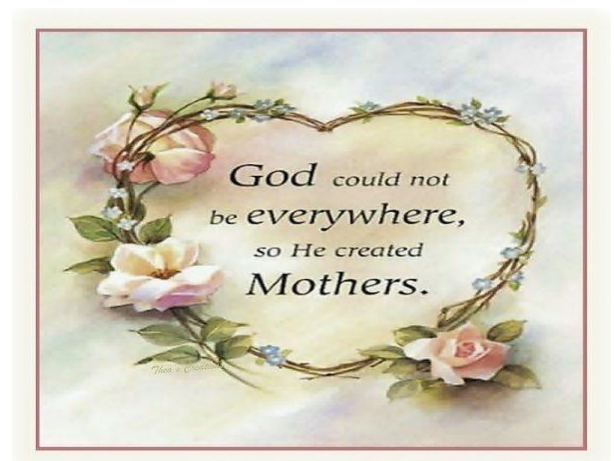
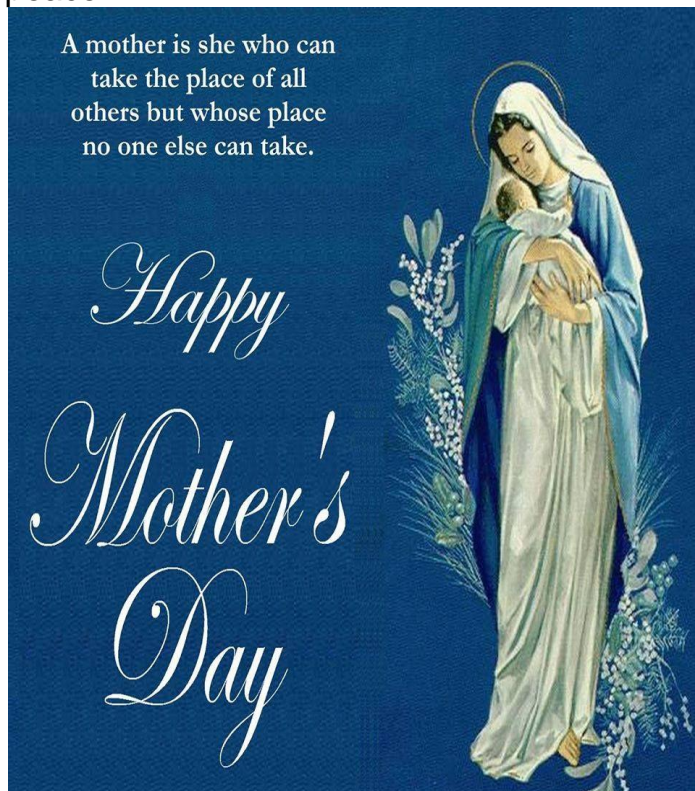
For more information, please email Jennie [office@greenstoneddoors.co.nz](mailto:office@greenstoneddoors.co.nz)

Greenstone Doors holds Tane Talks. This is a men's group that provides a space for men to come along to, where they can feel comfortable and process the challenges men face day to day. Tane Talks is about coming along to a group not only to feel heard but to hear and learn from other men, to get support as well as be supportive as we journey through the challenges of life. A place for men to feel safe and unjudged.

Every Tuesday 7pm-9pm Greenstone Doors, 15 Dudley Street, Lower Hutt  
Every Thursday 7pm-9pm Chanel Family Centre, 1285 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt  
Contact Francis 02108874824 or [incouragecounsellor@gmail.com](mailto:incouragecounsellor@gmail.com)

Prayers are requested for Eileen Black who is unwell.

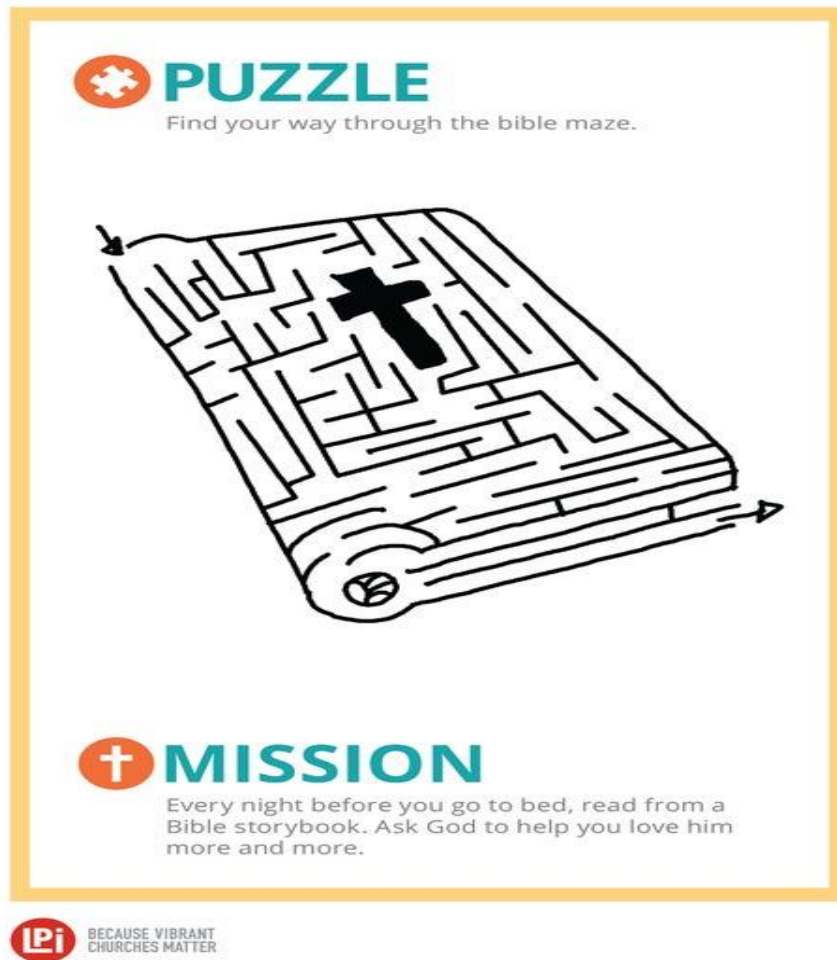
We remember all who are sick and unwell, those affected by the COVID-19 virus, and those who are lonely. We pray also for those who have died recently including Anne Lake, Claire Brown, Robert Oliver, Paul O'Leary, and Sr Kathleen Crean DOLC. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur around this time especially Greg Dillon. May they rest in peace.



#### 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



## A PUZZLE FOR YOU



FOR THE YOUNG ONES

# GROWING

WITH THE *Gospel* CYCLE C



## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



4th Sunday of Easter • John 10:27-30

## **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.