

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) [term time]
Reconciliation By appointment with Parish Priest
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 Heretaunga
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21st SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 21st August 2022

21 st August	1 st Reading	Isaiah 66: 18-21	
	2 nd Reading	Hebrews 12: 5-7, 11-13	
Gospel	Luke 13: 22-30		
28 th August	1 st Reading	Eccl 3: 17-20, 28-29	
	2 nd Reading	Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24	
	Gospel	Luke 14: 1, 7-14	



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

Thur 25th Aug 7:30 pm :Liturgy Meeting SFX

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

In the pipeline is the resumption of Children's Liturgy (during 10:30 am Mass) **Due to the increasing number of COVID cases in the community the Parish Council has decided to defer the re-introduction of the Living Waters Café until the first Sunday in September**



FOUND

A pair of men's glasses in the Pettit Centre after the funeral service. Please contact the office.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED URGENTLY At St Francis Xavier, SV

Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters. AT THE 5.30PM SATURDAY MASS Eucharistic Ministers for the 8.30 am Mass. Volunteer sheets available in the foyer. **Please contact the office on 9724282 if you can help out.**



CHILDREN'S LITURGY URGENTLY NEEDED

We are seeking parents to assist in running a children's liturgy programme during term time. Resources will be supplied to assist you. Please contact the Parish Office office@olv.org.nz or Louise Pierce louise.peirce@xtra.co.nz



CIRCLE OF FRIENDSHIP



At our July meeting we enjoyed a talk by Dennis Cook who spoke about the development of the Campus for Innovation and Sport and other local projects. This was a most informative update on the progress of local commitments. The August meeting was a sharing of stories - e.g. a writing group who gather in the library, a dance group at St Margaret's, the celebration of the NZ Centennial in 1939-1940 held in Wellington, the film Whina and other stories. Both the talk in July and sharing in August were followed by a cuppa and lots of conversation. Happy occasions.

QUOTE FROM POPE FRANCIS

Do I believe that to love is to reign, and to serve is power? That the purpose of my life is Heaven, paradise? Or am I concerned only with worldly, material things?"

Pope Francis, [Angelus 15 August 2022](#).

THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL

The question put to Jesus is one that many still ask: 'Will many be saved?' In his answer Jesus is not concerned about numbers but warns his listeners about complacency. Just as his listeners could not regard the mere fact of being Jews as sufficient for salvation, neither can we regard being Christians as enough. That entitlement will come from our acceptance of Jesus. For any relationship to be alive – either with God or with another human person – the real question is 'Is my heart in this relationship?' What does your experience tell you of this?



'Strive to enter by the narrow door'. Jesus himself is on his journey to Jerusalem, purposeful and determined. His true followers will also be purposeful and determined. That is true in any journey, career, or relationship if there is to be growth or progress. Do you ever find that you have lost your enthusiasm for life and become a bit bored? What can you do to recover some of the enthusiasm you once had?



THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

Scholarships for students entering their first year of tertiary education opened on 1st August – the application and criteria are available on our website. Kathy Whelan, Secretary, Catholic Foundation, PO Box 1937, Wellington Phone 04 496 1721 Visit our new website [:www.catholicfoundation.org.nz](http://www.catholicfoundation.org.nz)

HOLY HOUR

You are invited to a Holy Hour on Tuesday 23 August at the Connolly Hall Chapel beginning at 7.30 pm to pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Included in the hour will be prayers, praise and worship, scripture reading and silence, concluding with Benediction.



SEASON OF CREATION - PRAYER WALK FOR TE AWAKAIRANGI /HUTT RIVER: SUNDAY 11th SEPTEMBER.



To celebrate God's Creation and recognize our relationship to the river that flows through our valley, all are invited to join a day-long Prayer Walk along Te Awakairangi on 11 September. The Journey starts with Mass at Harcourt Park 8am, leaves Harcourt Park at 9am, and ends with evening prayer on Petone Foreshore about 5/5.30. Prayer pilgrims are free to join us for as long or short a time as they wish, or follow the trail online. Check out the timetable and find out more at: www.facebook.com/groups/riverprayerwalk; Email: riverprayerwalk@gmail.com or phone Judy 022 043 4703.

NATIONAL SYNOD SYNTHESIS

Parishes and dioceses around the country took part in the local phase of Pope Francis's synodal path to the Church's future, which will culminate in an Assembly of the Synod of Bishops in Rome in October next year. The NZ bishops have just published the National Synod synthesis document that emerged from the diocesan phase of the process and the national hui held in Wellington in June. The national document has been sent to Rome as one of the many such documents from around the Catholic world as part of the Synod process.

The document, a summary of its contents, and an outline of the Synod process are online here: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/nz-synod-synthesis/>



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE of the Wellington Archdiocese will be celebrating the Feast Day of its Patron Saint, St Margaret Clitherow at St Joseph's Upper Hutt 11.15am Mass on Friday, 26th August. The Celebrant will be Archbishop Paul Martin assisted by Father Maleko. This will be followed by a shared lunch.

The Upper Hutt Catholic Women's League say a big thank you to all of those who supported our recent Fun Quizz evening. Special thanks to the St Brendan's School for the use of their Hall and to those who donated prizes and worked so hard behind the scenes. The profit made was in excess of \$1,900 which will be passed on to the St Joseph's School in Upper Hutt to replace fire damaged resources not covered by insurance.

CWL lotto fundraiser Our lotto fundraiser will finally begin this Saturday, 20th August. It will continue for 5 weeks with the winning ticket for each week being the Saturday bonus number. Thank you and good luck to all who are supporting this.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES WELLINGTON

Hospital Chaplain, Wellington Hospital Permanent part time role 20 Hours per week. The Catholic Chaplaincy provides for the pastoral, spiritual, ethical and religious needs of patients and staff at Wellington Hospital. The successful candidate will come from a committed Catholic ministry background, demonstrate the maturity and resilience required to be a Chaplain. You will have undertaken ongoing formation and had at least two years of pastoral ministry. You will need a demonstrated aptitude for working in mental health. A commitment to ongoing CPD to become a registered healthcare chaplain with NZHCA is required.

Please send a cover letter, and CV to Kamau Holland at reception@wn-catholic-social-services.org.nz before 5pm, Friday 9th September 2022





MUSIC GROUP

The music group who play for the Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays are needing more musicians to fill the spaces left by several who have shifted away. Guitarists and any other musical instrument players will be made very welcome. Singers, do come and join us in the music area. Waiata is a great blessing. Telephone Josephine 027 2045875

ST BRENDAN'S SCHOOL BOARD – WE NEED YOUR HELP

In New Zealand, schools rely on members of the school community to take a role in our schools by volunteering for the board. Joining the school board is a great way to support our community and get involved.



We are having a by-election because we have not yet filled our board, and if we are unable to find members of our community to complete the board, the Ministry of Education will step in.

The only requirement for joining the St Brendan's School board is that you are passionate about children's education, no other special skills are required. Also, it is important to be aware that joining the board is not limited to parents but also includes our wider community.

Together, we reflected on why we joined the school board. Our WHY began with our own children, but this has expanded to include all our children and staff. It has allowed us to actively contribute to and give back to our community. Being on the board gives us an appreciation of what is happening within the school and allows us to support every child to be the very best versions of themselves.

Please put your name forward to join our school board. You can get in touch with any member of the board, teachers and staff or submit a nomination by 14 September 2022.

Thank you for your consideration.

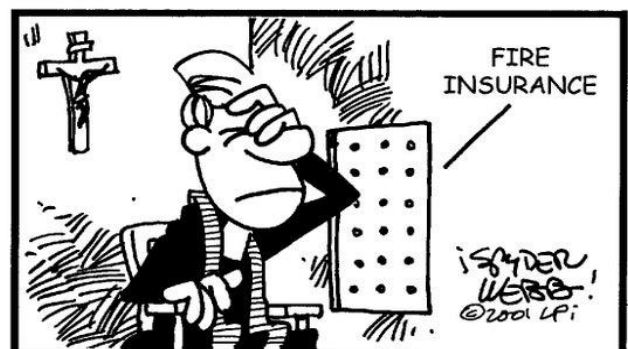
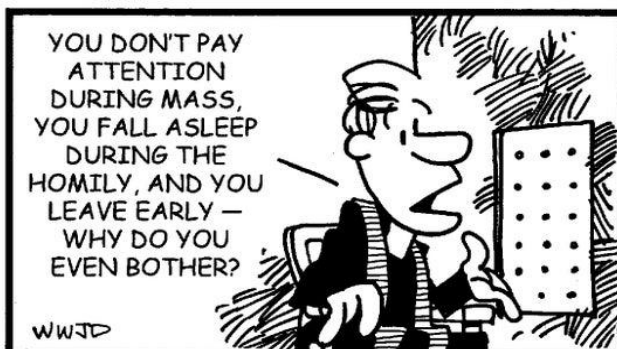
Ngā mihi

Norm, Doug, Fr Tony, Nick, Philippa, Sarah, Julie, and Veronica



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 John Lee Frampton, Frank Pessione, Alan Thom, Ken Lawrence, Sr Frances Lagan SMSM. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur around this time especially Ron and Rosalind Halpin. May they rest in peace.

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



FOR THE YOUNG ONES



Let's praise Jesus!

AND FOR THE NOT SO YOUNG

Jesus Heals on the Sabbath

When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, "Woman, you are set free from your infirmity." Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God. Luke 13:12-13

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
T	X	E	Y	C	O	W	L	J	V	H	D	Q	P	U	G	S	R	K	M	N	I	B	A	F	Z

1. 25-18-3-3 _____
2. 23-3-21-1 _____
3. 17-1-18-24-22-16-11-1 _____
4. 11-4-14-6-5-18-22-1-3 _____
5. 17-24-23-23-24-1-11 _____
6. 5-18-22-14-14-8-3-12 _____
7. 7-6-20-24-21 _____
8. 11-3-24-8-3-12 _____

CRIPPLED	WOMAN	HYPOCRITE	BENT
SABBATH	STRAIGHT	HEALED	FREE

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.