

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

Presbytery and

5 Palmer Crescent

Tel (04) 972 4282

Parish Office

Heretaunga

Parish Administrator

Monday - Friday

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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56 Palmer Cres

Tel (04) 939 1909

25th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

YEAR C

25th September 2022

25 th Sept	1 st Reading	Amos 6: 1, 4-7	
	2 nd Reading	1 Timothy 6: 11- 16	
	Gospel	Luke 16: 19-31	
2 nd Oct	1 st Reading	Habakkuk 1: 2-3, 2:2-4	
	2 nd Reading	2 Timothy 1: 6-8, 13-14	
	Gospel	Luke 17: 5-10	



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

Sat 1st Oct

02.00 pm

Circle of Friendship in the Pettit Centre

Tues 4th Oct

05.30 pm

Men's Group at the Silverstream Bowling Club

COPIES OF COVID-19 DETAILS FOR ALL MASSES FOR SUNDAY ARE AVAILABLE IN THE FOYER OF BOTH CHURCHES AND ON THE WEBSITE



ALTAR SERVING

A call out to all our younger parishioners to consider joining the altar serving ministry. Full training provided. Please contact Conor Healy (conorhealy26@gmail.com) to register interest or for more information.



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@olov.org.nz or Louise Pierce louise.peirce@xtra.co.nz



CIRCLE OF FRIENDSHIP

Our next gathering will be at 2pm, Saturday 1 October at the Pettit Centre, behind Our Lady of Grace Church.

Our guest speaker will be Speaker Sheila Phillipps, a former parishioner. She will talk about her journey from the Emerald Isles to the Blue Pacific.

Our book swap table has many interesting books. Please feel free to take a book. If you have any books to add you are welcome to bring them along. 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. We look forward to seeing you all

QUOTE FROM POPE FRANCIS

Lazarus teaches us that other persons are a gift. A right relationship with people consists in gratefully recognizing their value. Even the poor person at the door of the rich is not a nuisance, but a summons to conversion and to change. *Pope Francis: Lenten message 2017*



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

This program, for adults who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith will begin with an Introductory/Welcome session. These are opportunities for those interested in joining the Catholic Church family to come along and find out a little about the RCIA programme and to ask questions. The **Introductory Session is scheduled to begin in October**. This program is designed for those wishing to become Catholic. If you or a friend would like to join this program, please phone: Fr Tony 972 4282 or Liz McCaul 527 3211

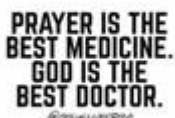
HOLY HOUR

You are invited to come to a Holy Hour on Tuesday 27 September 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. Our celebrant will be our newly ordained priest Fr Alfred Tong. All are welcome.



HEALING SERVICE

A Healing Service with Fr John Rea will be conducted at St Joseph's Church, Upper Hutt on Thursday 06 October beginning at 7.30 pm. This is the first we have been able to have since Covid struck. Please invite and bring with you all those in need of healing. Contact: (Ph. 022 6390240)



THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL

The first of the faults attributed to the rich man is his insensitivity to the abject poverty of those around him. When have you discovered that it is when you are aware of the needs of those around you and seek to make some response that you bring out the best in yourself?



The second fault attributed to the rich man is the way he ignored the word of God coming through Moses and the prophets. How have the gospels, the scriptures or your faith opened you up to a deeper and more satisfying perspective on life?

Some people look to the spectacular for a sign of God's presence and action. For Jesus the lessons we need are not to be sought in the spectacular, but in the ordinary things of everyday life. Where have you found reminders of God's presence in the world around you?

'An authentic faith – which is never comfortable or completely personal – always involves a deep desire to change the world, to transmit values, to leave this earth somehow better than we found it ... All Christians, their pastors included, are called to show concern for the building of a better world.' (Pope Francis, *Evangelii gaudium, The Joy of the Gospel*, No. 183)



You are invited to a **DAY OF REFLECTION** -Theme - Living with Jesus in our lives & Introducing Maori Spirituality. At Our Lady of Fatima Church, Tawa on Friday, 28th October 2022. 10am to 2pm. Led by Matiu White, Holy Cross Seminarian. Shared Lunch. Koha. If transport is required please ring Helen Greig (528 9635) or Susan Lloyd (970 3730). This is being organised by the Catholic Women's League Wellington Archdiocesan Council.

HIBERNIAN CATHOLIC BENEFIT SOCIETY

The Hibernian Catholic Education Trust is for all primary and secondary students within New Zealand attending a catholic school. Applications for this scholarship is need based, and once all applications are received by 1 November 2022, the trustees will review the completed applications and make their decisions on the amount to be distributed. Note that the funds are limited and all decisions are final. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either myself or Mike Martin, president.



All emails to secretary@hibernian.kiwi will be forwarded on to either one of us for review. Mary Jo Close, Treasurer

LAUDATO SI' ACTION PLATFORM

The Archdiocese of Wellington and the Ecology Justice and Peace Commission have signed up to the Laudato Si' Action Platform. You are invited to celebrate this commitment. Sacred Heart Cathedral, Sunday 2nd October, 10.30am Mass, St Thomas More Church (30A Worcestor Street, Wilton). All are welcome to attend this Eucharist presided by Cardinal John Dew on the last Sunday in the Season of Creation 2022.

SUPPORT PALLIATIVE CARE



NZ Catholics are being urged to support the under-funded hospice and palliative care services by donating, volunteering in hospice shops and asking their members of Parliament and the Government to make palliative care a priority. Bishop of Auckland Steve Lowe, Secretary of the NZCBC, says hospices provide a free service to 20,000 palliative care patients and their whānau each year, but have to fundraise almost half the \$176 million cost. Bishop Steve says: "When the public was asked at the 2020 election to support the euthanasia legislation – dubbed the End of Life Choice law – they were led to believe palliative care would be a priority choice. Instead, hospice funding has been virtually capped at a time of high inflation"

Full details online here: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/support-palliative-care/>. Copies of the letter are also available in the foyer of both churches.

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 Knight, Chris Russell, and Eddie Blackwell. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace.



ONLINE ROSARY GROUP



Everyone is invited to our online rosary prayer at 7.00 – 7.40 pm daily.

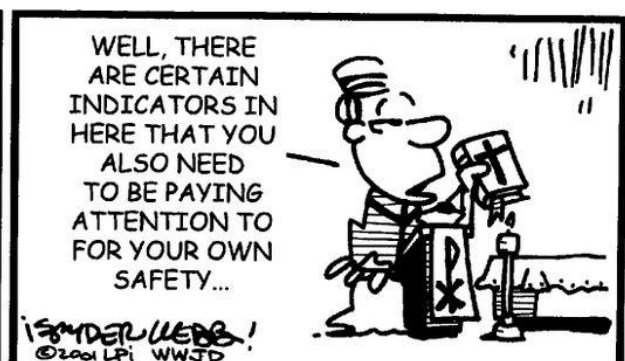
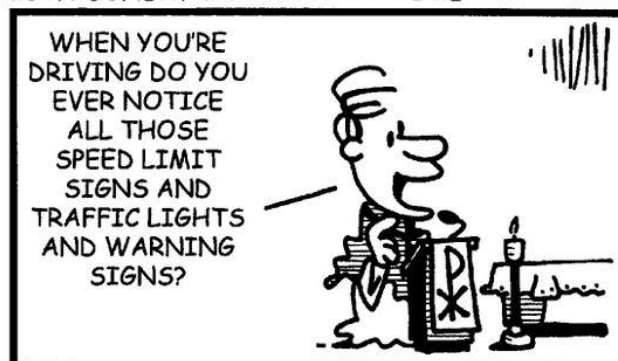
The prayer includes prayer petitions for healing, eternal repose of the departed, and other petitions suggested or requested by the participants. The prayer starts with singing the Immaculate Mother song, then it is followed by the petitions, rosary decades, litany to the Virgin Mary, and Covid 19 prayer. Participants, including children are assigned to lead the decades.

Praying is an essential aspect of our Christian lives. Praying together strengthens not only our faith but the bonds of the family, friends and the community.

Come, let us pray together. Join via zoom through the link below:

<https://vuw.zoom.us/j/8519982396>

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



FOR THE YOUNG ONES

GROWING

WITH THE *Gospel*

CYCLE C



COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Luke 16:19-31

AND FOR THE NOT SO YOUNG

The Rich Man and Lazarus

"But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony.'" Luke 16:25 (NIV)

Choose the word that best matches the definition.



- ___ 1. Having a lot of money or valuable possessions
A. agony B. poor C. comfort D. rich
- ___ 2. An opening in a wall or fence for entrance or exit
A. gate B. chimney C. hole D. window
- ___ 3. A poor person who lives by asking others for money or food
A. banker B. baker C. prophet D. beggar
- ___ 4. Stopped living
A. slept B. tired C. repented D. died
- ___ 5. A clear, colorless, odorless, and tasteless liquid essential for most plant and animal life
A. lemonade B. tea C. coffee D. water
- ___ 6. Extreme physical or mental pain or suffering
A. repent B. agony C. comfort D. ease
- ___ 7. To change your behavior because you are sorry for what you have done
A. warn B. died C. repent D. agony
- ___ 8. To tell someone of possible danger or harm
A. warn B. comfort C. repent D. harm
- ___ 9. To soothe someone in a time of pain or suffering
A. warn B. harm C. comfort D. repent
- ___ 10. The fleshy part in the mouth that is used in tasting
A. teeth B. tongue C. tonsils D. gums

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.