


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 Parish Office	5 Palmer Crescent Heretaunga Tel (04) 972 4282
Parish Administrator	Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
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St Brendan's School	56 Palmer Cres Tel (04) 939 1909

27th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 2nd October 2022

2 nd Oct	1 st Reading 2 nd Reading Gospel	Habakkuk 1: 2-3, 2:2-4 2 Timothy 1: 6-8, 13-14 Luke 17: 5-10	
9 th Oct	1 st Reading 2 nd Reading Gospel	2 Kings 5: 14-17 2 Timothy 1: 8-13 Luke 17: 11-19	



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 1 st Oct	02.00 pm	Circle of Friendship in the Pettit Centre
Tues 4 th Oct	05.30 pm	NO 9:30am Mass as Fr Tony is away 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

UPDATE FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL - NEW MEMBERS



Recently we formed a new Parish Council as a result of the election that took place at the Annual General Meeting in August. Unfortunately, due to personal circumstances of some of the Parish Council we have again a number of vacancies around the table of the Parish Council. To provide a suitable spread of representatives of the Council we are wanting to co-op to the Council parishioners to fill the vacancies. If you feel you can offer your services, please contact either Father Tony 04 972 4282 or Conor Healy the PC Secretary conorhealy26@gmail.com

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.



VENERABLE SUZANNE AUBERT MERI HŌHEPA

CELEBRATION SUNDAY 3RD OCTOBER

What can we learn from Meri Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert's example? The church has already recognised Suzanne as a holy woman of God with the title "Venerable". She was a saintly woman who can teach us so much about being a follower of Jesus in today's world. We know her story and how it inspires us. Her spirit in our lives and her powerful intercession for us does not depend on an officially approved miracle. We know that her prayers on our behalf continue to be answered. I'm sure she would tell us our task is to walk in her footsteps in a Compassion way, sharing her faith and values in our daily lives as followers of Jesus. When the time is right, Meri Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert's beatification and canonisation will be another wonderful blessing, alongside those we already receive in such abundance through her intercession.

Pa Maurice Carmody

Postulator for the cause of Ven Meri-Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert



CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas Cards are now available. They will be at the foyer of both Churches and in the Parish Office. A pack of 8 cards is \$6 each.

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



NOVEMBER – REMEMBERING THE BELOVED DEAD

During the month of November, we remember those God has called through the gates of death to eternal life. Pages are available in the foyer to record those family and friends whom you would like to pray for at each Mass celebrated in the Parish during November. A box is also available to collect specific requests for Masses to be said for their intentions.

On All Souls Day, November 2nd, a Special Mass of Remembrance is being organised. It is to be celebrated in St Francis Xavier Church, Stokes Valley, at 7:30 pm for all the deceased, and especially for those who have died in the last twelve months. All are welcome to attend.



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



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

All ladies of the Parish are welcome to our monthly meeting on Wednesday 5th October at 1.30pm in the Pettit Centre. Join us for afternoon tea and to hear one of our longest serving members tell her interesting life story.

Lotto fundraiser

Thank you to all who supported this over recent weeks. Over \$200 was raised for our missions. With our thanks and blessings.

HEALING SERVICE

A Healing Service with Fr John Rea will be conducted at St Joseph's Church, Upper Hutt on Thursday 6th 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)

PRAYER IS THE
BEST MEDICINE.
GOD IS THE
BEST DOCTOR.



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

THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL

Faith can move mountains... well it can certainly get us moving. Recall a time when you were full of self-doubt, scepticism about a project, or lacking trust in God. What was that like? Contrast this with times when you believed in yourself, or in the value of a project you had undertaken, or when your faith and trust in God was strong. What kind of faith have you found enriched your life?

Faith is like a mustard seed, small, and sometimes we may be tempted to wait till our faith grows. Part of the message in the gospel is to use the faith we have, even though it may be small. That is how we grow in belief in ourselves and in God's presence in our lives. Does your experience back up this?

It is nice when what we do is recognised and acknowledged, but the desire for recognition leaves us vulnerable. It is not always forthcoming. It can be helpful if our main motivation in doing something is the value of the action itself. Have you experienced this?

This is particularly true when it comes to love. Love is a free gift. What is given lovingly is not given because of a claim. What is your experience of the freedom of love given and received?



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 1st 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

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

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 Moses Hirini, Veronica Connelly, John Knight, and Chris Russell. 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>

27th 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.



27th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Luke 17:5-10

AND FOR THE NOT SO YOUNG

A Mustard Seed Faith

He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you." Luke 17:6 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 17:5-10 (NIV).



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MULBERRY

APOSTLES
SMALL
PREPARE
SUPPER

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.