

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

Website

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St Brendan's School


56 Palmer Cres

Tel (04) 939 1909

29th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

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16th October 2022

16 th Oct	1 st Reading	Exodus 17: 8-13	
	2 nd Reading	2 Timothy 3: 14-4:2	
	Gospel	Luke 18: 1-8	
23 rd Oct	1 st Reading	Ecc 35: 12-14, 16-19	
	2 nd Reading	2 Timothy 4: 6-8. 16-18	
	Gospel	Luke 18: 9-14	



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

Wed 19th Oct

11.00 am

Anointing Mass in the Pettit Centre wit Fr Ron Bennett

Thurs 20th Oct

01.30 pm

Anointing Mass at Stokeswood Rest Home, Stokes Valley

Thurs 20th Oct

07.30 pm

Parish Council Meeting

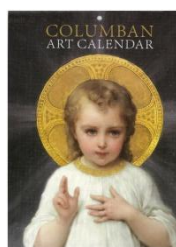


FR RON BENNETT VISITING PARISH – Golden Jubilee

Recently Fr Ron Bennett celebrated his Golden Jubilee of Priestly Ordination. Having previously served the Parish here in 2015 and being the first priest appointed to the newly created Parish of Our Lady Of the Valleys in 2015 Fr Ron will be joining us at the Anointing Mass on Wednesday 19th October at 11:00am in the Pettit Centre. Parishioners are invited to come to this Mass to say thanks to Fr Ron for the work that he did in his time with us. A light luncheon as usually will follow

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.



COLUMBAN CALENDARS FOR 2023

In Limited numbers are out now and available at the Parish Office for \$12 each please hurry and secure a copy for yourself or a loved one.



WELCOME TO VIETNAMESE STUDENT

In the latest NZ Catholic and WEL-COM there are articles telling of the arrival of a number of Vietnamese young men who are coming to Wellington intending to enrol in Holy Cross Seminary for priesthood in New Zealand. Three such young men arrived in Wellington a couple of weeks ago and are currently enrolled in a year-long programme at an English Language School in Wellington to prepare themselves for entry into the Seminary. Father Tony has been asked to provide accommodation in the presbytery and support for one of these students, Long Tranh Kim Tan. Long will be arriving soon in the Parish. Please make him feel welcome during his stay with us

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-opt 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.

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.

Fun Quizz Upper Hutt Catholic Women's League in conjunction with Ulysses Wellington are holding a Quiz Night on Friday, 11 November at the St Brendan's School Hall, 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start. Cost \$10. Proceeds to the Muscular Dystrophy Children. 6 to 8 persons per table. Tickets are now available - contact Colleen 971 2893 or Susan 970 3730.





CIRCLE OF FRIENDSHIP

Sheila Phillips, the guest speaker at our recent gathering, thoroughly entertained us all with her life story "From the Emerald Isles to the Blue Pacific". "Sheila based her talk on the Gratitude she felt for the way God had brought many people to share and encourage her in her life's journey. Her talk was peppered with lots of laughter as she shared memories of family life. The afternoon was enjoyed by one and all, and finished with mix and mingle over afternoon tea.

Next month's speaker will be Mark Rammell from Ashton Norwood Gardens Kaitoke.

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 on Wednesday 26th October 2022 in the Meeting Room at Our Lady of Grace Church, 5 Palmer Crescent, Heretaunga.** 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



The purpose of prayer is not to change God's mind but to change ourselves, and we can be slow to move. When have you found that persistence in prayer strengthened your faith in the presence of God with you in that struggle?

The context of the story may be a concern about the delay in the final coming of the Lord. Have there been times when your persistence in prayer, or action, was eventually rewarded after a period when you had doubts about the outcome? What, for you, have been the fruits of persistent prayer?

Behind the story lies the final question of Jesus: Who does have faith? Who have been models of faith and trust in God for you? How has that trust been shown in their lives? How is it shown in yours?

MISSION NZ

23 October 2022 is Mission Sunday. Every baptised person is a missionary. Mission Sunday is a day to celebrate our being missionaries during the Mass. It is also the time to share our financial gift to help the work of the Church in many mission territories all over the world. Give from your heart. Your gift is your legacy to missions. Donate online:

<https://missio.nz/donate>



DAY OF REFLECTION

Friday, 28th October 2022. Due to unforeseen circumstances this event has been cancelled. Thank you to all those who have registered to date. Susan Lloyd, Wellington Archdiocesan President.



VASES NEEDED

The altar society would appreciate donations of any LARGE vases, urns or troughs suitable for altar floral arrangements. If you are able to help, these can be left in the foyer marked as "Vases for altar" or left in the back room.

DIRECTOR SOUGHT FOR THE CATHOLIC ENQUIRY CENTRE

The NZ Catholic Bishops' Conference is looking for a Director for the Catholic Enquiry Centre in Wellington. This is a full-time, three-year fixed term role. It will suit someone who has a passion for evangelisation with strong leadership, communication, and administrative and financial skills. They should also be able to develop collegial relationships across dioceses and parishes. Applications to Maria Lucero mlucero@nzcbc.org.nz by 20 October. More details on the NZCBC website: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/director-cec/>

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, and John Knight. 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>

29th 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.



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Luke 18:1-8

AND FOR THE NOT SO YOUNG

Keep On Praying

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. Luke 18:1 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 18:1-8 (NIV).



M U J D I A V U N J U S T Q R
Q H R R O P E C D W V A W W G
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PERSISTENT
PRAY

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.