


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
Parish Administrator	Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
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31st SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 30th October 2022

30 th Oct	1 st Reading 2 nd Reading Gospel	Wisdom 11: 22-12:2 2 Thess: 1: 11-2:2 Luke 19: 1-10	
6 th Nov	1 st Reading 2 nd Reading Gospel	2Maccabees 7: 1-2, 9-14 2 Thess: 2: 16-3:5 Luke 16: -15	

UPCOMING EVENTS TO NOTE

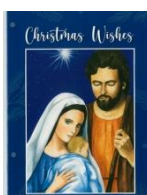
1 st Nov	5.30 pm	Men's Group at Silverstream Bowling Club	
2 nd Nov	9.30 am	Mass at OLOG with St Brendan's	
	1.30 pm	Catholic Women's League at the Pettit Centre	
	7.30 pm	Mass at SFX for All Soul's Day	
5 th Nov	2.00 pm	Circle of Friendship at the Pettit Centre	



CHANGES TO OUR COVID RESPONSE

One month ago COVID restrictions in the Parish were relaxed following Government and Cardinal John advisories. The Parish Council discussed the existing restrictions and decided to make the following changes

- The restriction of keeping a pew spacing between parishioners has been removed
- Children's Liturgy returned last the weekend at the 10:30am Mass
- Holy Communion will be distributed from in front of the Altar as was the practice before 2020. At this stage only the Body of Christ will be distributed. It is hoped to return to Communion under both kinds in December
- The Living Waters Café will resume in the Pettit Centre from Sunday 6th November

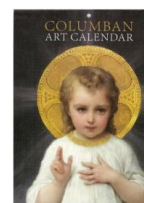


CHRISTMAS CARDS

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.



ALTAR SERVING

Altar serving training to be held straight after the 10:30am mass on Sunday 30th October in Our Lady of Grace Church for all new and current servers who may need a refresher. Please contact Conor Healy (conorhealy26@gmail.com) to register interest or for more information.



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 Trinh Kim Tan. Long will be arriving soon in the Parish. Please make him feel welcome during his stay with us

CHILDREN'S LITURGY URGENTLY NEEDED

We are seeking parishioners, (parents, grandparents, Duke of Edinburgh participants, indeed anyone interested in sharing a faith filled time with children) 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.

MISSION NZ

As Mission Month 2022 draws to a close, may I thank you on behalf of the Pontifical Mission Societies for your gift from the heart for the missionary work of the Church. May only goodness and kindness follow you all the days of your life. Fr Bernard Espiritu, SVD – National Director of the Pontifical Mission Societies, NZ. Your gift is your legacy to missions. Donate online: <https://missio.nz/donate>



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.



THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL

Zacchaeus showed himself open to the call of Jesus, to the surprise of his contemporaries who thought there was no good in tax collectors. Sometimes the people who give us lessons in goodness may be people we previously disregarded. Recall when this happened for you.

It was the eagerness of Zacchaeus to see what kind of a man Jesus was, that opened him up to conversion. When you consider moments of change in your life what were the interests or desires that prepared you for change?

The decision of Jesus to eat in the house of Zacchaeus broke the social norms of his day and scandalized those who saw him. When have you found table fellowship a useful way of breaking down artificial boundaries between people? When has a kind word had this effect?

Zacchaeus had become rich off the backs of the people, and they thoroughly disliked him. Yet he was the one singled out by Jesus and he responded to Jesus' call. Perhaps you have also seen people who hurt you and caused you pain change their ways. How have you reacted to such a change? What has helped you to see the grace of God at work, and give thanks?

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

"Remembrance Day, Wednesday 2nd November at 1.30pm in the Pettit Centre. All welcome, also any friend you wish to invite. Please bring a small treasured item eg Photo, Funeral Card, Rosary Beads etc to put on our Remembrance table, that has special memories for you from the past. Afternoon tea will be served. We look forward to seeing you. If you need a ride please contact either Kathleen 027 659 0702 or Marilyn 021 142 9482.



CIRCLE OF FRIENDSHIP

Our next gathering will be 2pm at the Petit Centre on Saturday 5th November. Come and enjoy Mark Rammell speaking on several topics including life at Aston Norwood Gardens and Blossom Valley. He will also share with us his experiences as a pilot.

We invite you to bring a toiletry item to donate to those in need in our community. Please place your items in the donation basket which will be on the welcome table at the meeting. We also have a regular collection towards worthy community causes. We are currently collecting for The Wellington Free Ambulance, and a jar will be available for donations should you wish to contribute.

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. We will end the afternoon with our usual chat and cuppa. We look forward to seeing you all

PARISH "MELBOURNE CUP" NIGHT

The Family Groups are again hosting our own Melbourne Cup evening Saturday 5th November 7pm in the Pettit Centre

Please bring a small plate for supper and also nibbles and drinks if you want them at your table. Tea, coffee and juice will be provided. Ladies, we would love to see you wearing your hats! All parishioners are very welcome.

Paul Jones needs to know how many punter's packs to prepare so please RSVP to him on **0274361899** or jonespa454@gmail.com





ALTAR SOCIETY OLOG

Many thanks to those folk who kindly donated lovely vases for our church floral arrangements. Any further donations will still be accepted gratefully, adding some variety to the arrangements. Vases can be left in church foyer marked 'Altar Society', or left in the back room.

ART EXHIBITION IN AID OF RED CROSS RELIEF WORK IN PAKISTAN

At Upper Hutt Uniting Parish on Saturday 29 Oct 2022 9am to 6pm and Sunday 30 October 2022 1pm to 5pm

The artist: Melanie Avery

Melanie specialises in large-format paintings with bright colours that leave you feeling better about life, her works comment on social conditions, medicine and wildlife, this is her first solo exhibition

Interested in Hosting an International Student in 2023?

Sacred Heart College is looking for caring families to host international students for short and long term stays next year. Hosting an international student is a fantastic opportunity to learn more about other cultures and forge life-long friendships. The homestay fee is \$310 per week, which includes providing the student with their own bedroom and three meals a day. Please get in touch today with our Homestay Coordinator for more information and an application pack at homestay@sacredheartcollege.school.nz



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 Rev Michael McVerry SM, John Yaw Boamah Mensah, Graeme Shadwell, Moses Hirini, and Veronica Connelly. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace.

31st 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.



31st Sunday in Ordinary Time • Luke 19:1-10

AND FOR THE NOT SO YOUNG

Zacchaeus Meets Jesus

When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today." So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. Luke 19:5-6 (NIV)

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
E	M	Q	F	V	G	Y	S	R	L	J	T	A	P	N	K	Z	B	X	U	I	H	O	C	W	D

1. 24-9-23-25-26 _____
2. 8-1-1-16 _____
3. 8-22-23-9-12 _____
4. 24-10-21-2-18 _____
5. 12-9-1-1 _____
6. 8-21-15-15-1-9 _____
7. 10-23-8-12 _____
8. 8-13-5-1 _____

CROWD	TREE	SEEK	SAVE
CLIMB	LOST	SHORT	SINNER

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.