

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)

Weekday Eucharist

Tuesday / Thursday 9:30 am (Stokes Valley)
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

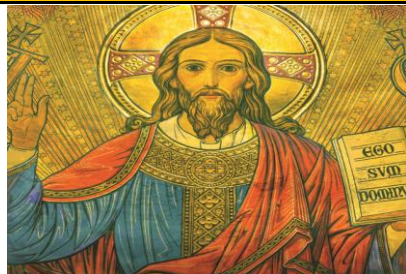
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20th November 2022

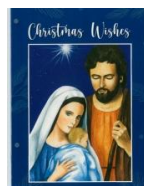
20 th Nov	1 st Reading	2Samuel 5: 1-3	
	2 nd Reading	Col 1: 11-20	
	Gospel	Luke 23: 35-43	
27 th Nov	1 st Reading	1 Isaiah 2: 1-5	
	2 nd Reading	2 Romans 13: 11-14	
	Gospel	Matthew 8: 5-11	

UPCOMING EVENTS TO NOTE

Thurs 24 th Nov	07.30 am	Parish Liturgy Meeting	
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OUR COVID RESPONSE

You will have seen the Covid numbers are again on the rise. You are asked to continue to make wise choices in regards to your own health and to be mindful of the health of others. Masks and sanitiser are still provided for your use. Please, if you are unwell – stay home and seek medical advice.

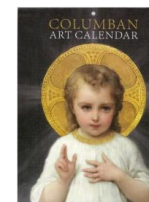


CHRISTMAS CARDS

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 - FEW LEFT

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.



WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS MEET

Invitation to all women of the Parish to our Christmas outing. We would love to have you join us for afternoon tea on Friday 25th November at 2pm at Days Bay Pavilion. The cost is \$20 per person. Please ring Chris on 5287847 if you are interested. **Outing to Days Bay**
Thank you to all those ladies who are coming with us for afternoon tea on Friday 25th November. We will meet outside the Church at 1.30pm to arrange carpooling.
Thanks, Chris.



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.

MEN'S CHRISTMAS GATHERING

To be held on Friday the 16th December starting at 5.30 pm at Heretaunga. The approximate cost is \$14 per head. There is a clipboard in the foyer of each church to put your name in if you are going to attend. Contact Roger Wasson for further details on 021 116 2653



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2023

Enrolments for the 2023 Sacramental Preparation Program are now open for those candidates who would like to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist.

Enrolments can also be submitted on-line at www.olv.org.nz/sacraments/. Enrolment forms are also available in the foyer of both churches and the School.

Though enrolments close on 3rd February 2023 **please endeavour to enrol before the 18th December** as this allows time over the January period to undertake preparation work. The Programme starts on February 12th as the Reconciliation portion happens over Lent. Any enquiries please contact Fr Tony or Jenny Mahoney, the Sacramental Programme Co-ordinator.

THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL

Today's feast puts before us Jesus as a person who never used power for his own selfish advantage. Who have you known who used power for the benefit of others rather than for their own self-interest? When have you used power in this way?



The power of God is shown in an unexpected way in the Crucifixion, not in a wonderful display of spectacular dominance, but in Jesus sharing our human weakness. When has the honesty of another sharing his/her human vulnerability with you had a powerful effect? When has your honesty in that way had a positive effect on another?

Jesus is an example of someone in apparent helplessness. In human terms he was powerless. It was his trust in the love of God for him that helped him through. It was only later with the hindsight of the resurrection that the moment of helplessness could be seen as one in which the power of God was present. Have you had experiences on which you can look back now and see that the power of God was at work in your moments of helplessness?

We may also identify with the good thief, reaching out in support of the innocent Jesus. Who has reached out to you when you experienced unfair treatment? To whom have you reached out in that way?

The scene also puts before us the liberating power of forgiveness. The forgiveness of Jesus brought new life to the criminal hanging on the cross with him. When have you found that forgiveness given, or received, was a source of new life for yourself or for others?

CIRCLE OF FRIENDSHIP

Mark Rammell from Ashton Norwood Gardens lived up to his promise to entertain our gathering, with his talk as our guest speaker last Saturday. From his piloting experiences to the ups and downs of developing the gardens, and growing the Blossom Valley event, he impressed us with his energy, humour and 'joie- de- vivre'!

We wish him well with his future 'retirement' plans to sail the world from Turkey.

The meeting ended with our usual fun, laughter and mix and mingle. The last gathering of the year will be on Saturday December 3, with entertainment and high tea. All most welcome.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE UPPER HUTT

Thank You from the Upper Hutt Branch of Catholic Women's League to all those who supported the Fun Quizz evening at St Brendan's School Hall last Friday who bought tickets, provided supper and raffles. A profit of \$2,050 to go to children with Muscular Dystrophy. Aside from the power outage we had a great evening!

QUOTE FROM POPE FRANCIS

"Now is the time to arise! Like Mary, let us "arise and go in haste". Let us carry Jesus within our hearts, and bring him to all those whom we meet! In this beautiful season of your lives, press ahead and do not postpone all the good that the Holy Spirit can accomplish in you!"

Pope Francis, [*Message for World Youth Day 2022-2023*](#).

MASS FOR LIFE

You're invited to pray for babies, mums, dads and families at a Mass for Life on Friday 2 December, 7pm at St Mary of the Angels, 17 Boulcott Street, Wellington. Cardinal John Dew will be the principal celebrant. Eucharistic Adoration will follow for one hour after Mass. For more information please visit fli.org.nz/prolifeevents or phone Clare 021 231 7954.



NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE

You're invited to love them both by attending the sixth annual NATIONAL March for Life in Wellington on Saturday 3 December. Join people of goodwill from all over NZ in a celebration of life which also *peacefully* protests the practice and legality of abortion. Gather at Civic Square from 1pm for family-friendly entertainment, sausage sizzle and pro-life stalls. March to Parliament Grounds begins at 2pm. Concludes at 4pm. Learn more about this important event at a critical moment in NZ's history: www.marchforlife.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 Jenny Rogers, Josephine Rennie, Paul van Dorrieton, Judith Mariner, Robert Stankowicz, Bryan and Rita Courtney. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur around this time especially Robyn Coley. May they rest in peace.

Feast of Our Lady of Miraculous Medal

Our Lady of Grace Church Heretaunga
27th of November 2022
10.30 - Holy Mass
11.30 - Fellowship

Rosary and Novena Prayers
18-26 November 2022
7.00 PM




O Mary conceived without sin,
Pray for us
who have recourse to thee.





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18th—26th of November 2022
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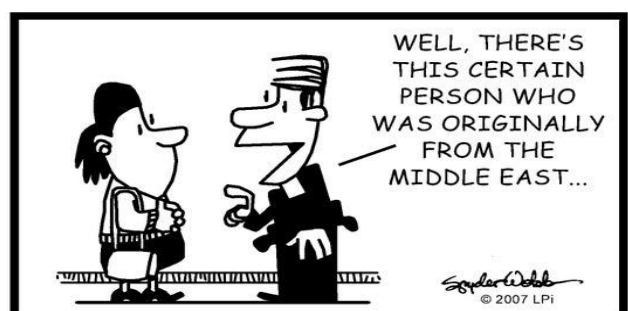
Date	Location	LEAD Group
18 November	St. Francis Xavier Church, Stokes Valley	Barangay Volunteers
19 November	Our Lady of Grace Church, Heretaunga	OLOV Parish Council
20 November	St. Francis Xavier Church, Stokes Valley	Legion of Mary / Rosary Group
21 November	Our Lady of Grace Church, Heretaunga	Barangay OLOMM
22 November	Our Lady of Grace Church, Heretaunga	OLOV Prayer Group
23 November	Our Lady of Grace Church, Heretaunga	St. Mary's Sylo Malabar Mission Wellington
24 November	St. Francis Xavier Church, Stokes Valley	OLOV
25 November	Our Lady of Grace Church, Heretaunga	Youth and Children's Group
26 November	St. Francis Xavier Church, Stokes Valley	Living Rosary (All)

Come and join! Let us pray together!

CHRIST THE KING



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FOR THE YOUNG ONES

GROWING Gospel

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COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



Christ the King • Luke 23:35-43

AND FOR THE NOT SO YOUNG

Christ the King

When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. Luke 23:33 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 23:33-43 (NIV).



CHRIST THE KING

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PUNISHED
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TRUTH
FEAR

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PARADISE
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CRUCIFIED
KING
SAVE
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DIVIDED
FATHER
CRIMINALS
FORGIVE

CLOTHES
CHOSEN
CHRIST
MEMEMBER

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.