

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)

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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St Brendan's School

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Newsletter

Newsletter 13 June, Term 2 2023

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

READINGS

YEAR A

18th June 2023

18th June

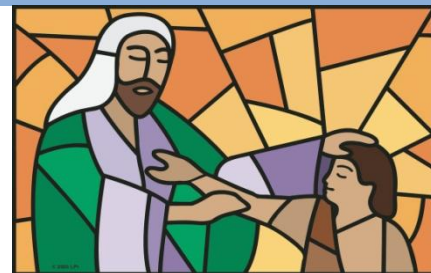
1st Reading
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Gospel

Exodus 19: 2-6
Romans 5: 6-11
Matt 9: 36-10:8

25th June

1st Reading
2nd Reading
Gospel

Jeremiah 20: 10-13
Romans 5: 12-15
Matthew 10: 26-33



EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sun 18 th June	11.30 am	Rehearsal for Confirmation Mass
Tues 20 th June	7.30 pm	Bible Study Group at OLOG
Wed 21 st June	11.00 am	Anointing Mass at the Pettit Centre
Thur 22 nd June	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting
Sun 25 th June	10.30 am	Confirmation Mass followed by morning Tea

Please NOTE there will be **NO** Mass at 9.00am at OLOG on 21st June as this is replaced by the Anointing Mass .

ST BRENDAN'S SCHOOL - NEWSLETTER

In the Parish information at the top of this page is a link to the School's fortnightly newsletter. To read the newsletter please click on the hyperlink.



ARCHBISHOP PAUL MARTIN'S INSTALLATION MASS 17th JUNE

Saturday 11am at the St Teresa's Pro-Cathedral Karori . All are welcome.

People are asked to be seated by 10.45am. There will be no parking at the venue so suggest to them carpooling or public transport.

The livestream can be viewed here [Installation of Archbishop](#)

[Paul Martin SM on Vimeo](#)



VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED URGENTLY

Our Lady of Grace Church, Heretaunga
CAFE VOLUNTEER, Cleaners, Altar Society (flower arrangements and brass polishing)
St Francis Xavier, Stokes Valley
Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans for Sat 5.30 pm Mass.

Please contact the office on 9724282 if you can help out.

PARISH LUNCH SUNDAY 9th JULY 2023



The annual Parish lunch is for all people in our parish.

Everyone is encouraged to book in – it is a chance to enjoy each other's company and a lovely meal.

Sunday 9th July at 12 noon at Stokes Valley RSA, Hawthorn Crescent

Cost \$22 pp.

Please pay by 5th July.

- Pay by internet banking to the Parish a/c # 020772 0070279 00 ensure that your name is there in the Particulars column and in the Reference LUNCH is mentioned.
- You could drop an envelope with your name and LUNCH written on it in the collection box at Mass OR
- drop the money in the drop box at the Presbytery door OR at the Parish Office in a named envelope.

OLOV JONES FAMILY GROUP

Sunday 11th June - 14 of the group celebrated now what seems to be an annual "High Tea" at the Jones's. The hostess Lyn made up the setting and produced delicious food and the variety of different teas. The ladies also brought plates of delicious finger food. The event was an enjoyable afternoon lovely day no rain and everyone catching up. Also we welcomed John Burt who we haven't seen for a while.



OLOV FAMILY GROUP - POT LUCK MID WINTER DINNER | PETIT CENTRE ON SATURDAY 10 JUNE



THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL

Jesus allowed himself to be touched by the needs of the crowd. When you are with people, what difference does it make to the way you relate to them when you have empathy with them?



The commission Jesus gave the twelve 'to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness' is a reminder to us that we all have the capacity to be an influence for good in the lives of others. In this we continue the mission of Jesus (cf. St Teresa's Prayer). When have you experienced yourself as having a healing or life-giving influence on another person? Who has had that influence on you?

At a first glance it might seem that Jesus made some bad choices in his twelve apostles. One will deny Jesus, another will betray him and others are only interested in who will be first. All of them will run away in the end. This reminds us that all kinds can share in the mission of Jesus, no matter how we see ourselves.

The instructions Jesus gave the disciples before he sent them out have a note of urgency about them. What difference does it make for you when you approach a task with a sense of urgency?

He also tells them their service should be 'without charge', keeping in mind what they have received without charge from God. Remember when you have received generous and undemanding love from another.



ADULT FORMATION WORKSHOP

20th June at St. Brendan's School from 4.00 to 5.30 pm.

Chris Duthie-Jung will be presenting the session which is being offered to communities all around the Archdiocese.

The session is interactive and is for anyone who wonders what the Church is thinking and doing about its young people today. If you are young yourself, work or live with young people (teachers/parents...) or if you are a concerned grandparent – this workshop will inspire you to think more broadly about the young Church today.

MARIST ST PATS RFC – The Clubs annual Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 2 July at 10.30am at St Patricks Church, Childers Tce, Kilbirnie. Mass will be celebrated by a light lunch. All welcome.



LIVING STONES PROCESS - "One Parish - One Community"

Recent newsletters have outlined the purpose, background and considerations of Living Stones.

It involves gathering information and feedback to develop options for the parish community to decide on the future of parish buildings in our community.

To reiterate the broad options are:

- Consolidate onto the Stokes Valley site
- Consolidate onto the Heretaunga site
- Build a new facility on a new site

Thank you for the feedback to date. This has been collated and will form a part of the ongoing considerations.

Next Steps:

The group is currently establishing a number of channels to allow for full parish feedback commencing in June. This will include a survey (Google Forms), open forum meetings, and a dedicated e-mail address.

In the meantime, please reflect on the following question:

What would you like to see in a new or redeveloped site that will take our parish into the future?

Fr Tony, Grant Avery, Julie Stewart, SeuSio, Pat Hoult, Tino Aukusitino, Chris Henley, Conor Healy, Colin Braddock.

WHY WE DO THE THINGS WE DO?

Why go to church when I can pray alone?

'Why go to Mass when I can pray to God by myself?' some people ask. To understand the Mass, we need to understand the Church as a community, as a family. A simple analogy: Family members come together for meals, not just for physical nourishment, but as a way of sharing life together. The Sunday Eucharist is a bit like that for Catholics. It is the sacred meal, our 'family meal', whereby we come together to worship God, not just for our private spiritual nourishment, but to acknowledge that we belong to one another as God's family, that we are a people who share in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER 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 Mary Quin and Josie Ryan. We pray also for those

whose anniversaries occur around this time especially Frances O'Kane. May they rest in peace.



FOR THE YOUNG ONES

GROWING

WITH THE *Gospel*

CYCLE A



COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



Birth of John the Baptist • Luke 1:57-66, 80

PUZZLE FOR YOU

Abraham Is Tested

Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." Genesis 22:8a (NIV)

Based on Genesis 22:1-14 (NIV)



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ISAAC	OFFERING	KNIFE	LOVE	SON
HORNS	HAND	WOOD	FEAR	LAMB
SACRIFICE	ABRAHAM	WORSHIP	FIRE	DONKEY