#### **OUR MISSION**

TO WELCOME all who we encounter so that we can build a relationship with each other

> **TO LOVE** as Jesus loved



#### **OUR VISION 'LIVING AS CHRIST'**

**TO ENGAGE** 

**OUR MISSION** 

with God, each other and our community with hearts, minds and spirit TO SERVE God, each other, our community and our

environment



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#### **PARISH TEAM**

Parish Priest: Fr. Paul Finlayson 0272375196 Assistant Priest: Fr. Trung Nguyen 0220626726

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#### **Our Lady of Lourdes**

85 Te Mata Rd Havelock North

### <u>Sunday Mass</u> 9.30am

#### <u>Weekday Masses</u>

Mon: 9.00am - Liturgy Tues: 9.00am

Wed: 9.00am - Mass

Thurs: 9.30am

Sat: 9.00am - Liturgy

#### St. Peter Chanel 817 Gordon Rd

Hastings

**Vigil Sat:** 5.30pm Sunday Mass: 10.30am

#### <u>Weekday Masses</u>

Tues: 5.30pm Thurs: 5.30pm

#### **Sacred Heart**

425 Heretaunga St East Hastings

<u>Sunday Masses</u> 9:00am & 5.30pm

#### <u>Weekday Masses</u>

Wed: 12.05pm Fri: 12.05pm Sat: 8.30am

#### **Immaculate Conception**

Paki Paki

Sunday Mass

8.00am



### **3rd SUNDAY OF LENT**

### 12th March 2023

# Reflection for Today

The call for conversion is the call in every day of our lives. It is more so during Lent. We have been called to come back to the love and mercy of our Lord, preparing our lives and our souls for a wonderful celebration at Easter. The Samaritan woman in the gospel today did not have an easy life. She had gone through five husbands and now was living with a man she had not married. No one respected her. Probably, she did not respect herself either. We can feel the dryness and emptiness within her. She was thirsty. Perhaps, like many of us, she felt that the past would go away if she just did not think about it. But that did not quench her thirst. She went about her daily routine, doing her best to ignore the emptiness within herself. But it was still there. A thirsty Jesus goes to the same well. He sees the woman and thirsts even more. He also is dry, but he is not empty. He thirsts for the people who need him, even if they do not acknowledge him. One of Jesus's last words from the Cross would be, "I thirst". He was not talking about water. He was speaking about His desire to bring God's love and mercy to humanity.

Through the gospel today, Jesus asks us to allow Him free entry into our personal lives. He does not want to embarrass, judge, or condemn us, but to free us, change us and offer the living water of the Holy Spirit to us. We can find this living water in the sacraments, in prayer, and in the scripture. We also need to learn from the Samaritan women today to be good witnesses for Jesus throughout our lives. Let us have the courage to "be" Jesus for others, especially in those "unexpected" places for "unwanted" people. Learning from the Samaritan women, we have been asked to get rid of our unholy attachments, evil habits, and sinful addictions that keep us enslaved and idolatrous. Lent is the time to call us back to God's love and mercy, knowing He is there to quench our thirst, fulfill our emptiness, and heal our brokenness.

Fr. Trung Nguyen

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9.00a.m - 1.00p.m. For urgent matters please contact the priests. Contact details above.

#### Readings for Next Sunday: Year A: 4th Sunday of Lent

Acts 2:14, 36-41; 1 Pet 2:20-25; Jn 10:1-10;

#### **YOUR PARTICIPATION IS WELCOME...**

ADORATION/EXPOSITION: Madonna Tuesdays 9am—1pm ADORATION/EXPOSITION: OLOL Friday 9am -10am

**EXPOSITION/BENEDICTION: SH** Fridays 11am

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** Please contact the office to arrange an

appointment with a priest.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP: Currently meeting via ZOOM Wednesdays 7-7.40 pm. No meditation or zoom experience necessary. Ring Paula 878 3314.

**EMMAUS COMPANIONS: SPC** 2nd Monday of the month 7pm. Ring Rob 0276591313 or John 0278787014.

FOCOLARE SHARE "Living the Word "1st Saturday each month.

Contact Gerard 0211216391 or Ellen 0274484242

MARIST THIRD ORDER: SH, (room off Day Chapel)1st Sunday of the month, 2pm.

MATTHEW'S GOSPEL STUDY: 60 Reynolds Rd., Havelock Nth

2nd & 4th Tuesdays. 7.30pm Ring Diana 0226510946

MORNING PRAYER: SH Day Chapel Mon-Fri 9am, except

Thurs 8.45am

MORNING TEA: SH Wednesdays 10-11.45am All welcome. Bring a friend

RECONCILIATION: SH - Friday 11.30am, Saturday 8.30am

SPC - Saturday 5pm OR by appointment

OLOL - Wednesday 9.30am

ROSARY: OLOL - Thursdays 9.10am

SH - Saturday 8am

SUNDAY READINGS 4 U: SH room off day chapel. Tuesdays 10 -11am

#### First Reconciliation and First Communion

Registrations are now open.
Enrolments forms are available
at the Catholic primary schools,
Parish office and on our website,
under Sacraments. Please ensure
your enrolment form is handed to
the office, or school, by the end of March.



Preparation for Reconciliation will commence on 30<sup>th</sup> April for 3 weeks, held at Sacred Heart church, after 9.00am Mass. 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation will take place on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

Preparation for 1st Holy Communion will commence 21st May 2023 with the celebration taking place on the Feast of the Holy Body and Blood of Christ – 11th June 2023.

For any further enquires please contact the Parish office.

#### KIDS BECOMING CATHOLIC

The programme will be run through the schools. Teenagers, outside the Catholic schools, wanting to become Catholic should contact Fr. Trung or the Parish office.

### Health & Safety Section:Please refer to noticeboards in each church



During Lent Season, there will be Adoration and Reconciliation Every Wednesday at St Peter Chanel between 7pm and 8pm. All are welcome.

Stations of the Cross will be at Sacred Heart church every Friday at 7.00p.m.



**"24 hours for the Lord"** will take place at St. Peter Chanel, between *Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 5.00pm* – *Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> 5.00pm*. This year we reflect on:

"Be merciful to me a sinner" (Luke 18:13). If you want to participate, please put your name down the list in the foyer of the church.

Please note there will be school Masses on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March, St. Joseph's at 9am Sacred Heart and St. Mary's at 10.30am St Peter Chanel.

SVDP St. Peter Chanel Conference will be on Wednesday 15th March at SPC hall.

#### **Cyclone Relief Appeal**

The Cyclone Relief Appeal has received many generous donations to help those in desperate need following Cyclone Gabrielle. Donations have now surpassed \$100,000 and the process of distributing these funds to those most in need is now in progress, in collaboration with local leaders across impacted areas of the diocese. We are immensely grateful to all those who are providing support to those in need in many ways.

Donations can still be made directly online to the Catholic Charities Foundation by direct bank transfer to 02-0630-0237950-010 with references: "Cyclone" and "your surname and initials" (Please email reception@pndiocese.org.nz with your email details for a receipt.)

Donate today to help families and communities who have been affected at <a href="https://pndiocese.org.nz/cyclone">https://pndiocese.org.nz/cyclone</a>

#### **Cyclone Gabrielle**

Please contact the office if you know of any parishioner who needs our support.

#### **YOUTH CORNER**

On Sunday we had another successful Life Night. We had a great turn out. The goal of this week's Life Night is STAN – LOVE. The goal of this night is for teens to understand the depths of love by encountering Jesus as the personification of love.

If you know anyone in year 9 to 13, we would love for them to join us. Please invite them to youth Mass at 5.30pm followed by the Life Night Youth Night.

If you or anyone you know would like to help by sponsoring a meal for our youth, please get in touch with one of our core team members. This will be for around 40 people.

From next week the youth will be selling Easter raffle tickets after 5.30pm Mass at Sacred Heart Church.

A huge thank you to the families that continue to provide the meals for the youth each Sunday. Thank you all for your continued prayers and support it is very much appreciated and please be assured of our prayers for you all

God bless. The Youth Core Team.



#### (Young) Christian Mothers

Anyone who was a member of this group is invited to a social gathering / catch up on Saturday 25th March 2023.

#### St Peter Chanel Hall

#### 11.30am start

Finger food luncheon

#### \$15 per head

Please register and pay by **Monday 20th March** for catering purposes.

To register and pay online, please deposit \$15 in account # 03 0642 0766016 000 with your name as reference and email confirmation to <a href="mailto:russell.m503@gmail.com">russell.m503@gmail.com</a> Or in person at the Hastings Parish office.

It would also be great if everyone, including those who cannot be there on the Saturday, to be at the 9am Mass at Sacred Heart Church on Sunday 26th.

Any queries please contact either Carol Wahl 878-2945 or Marie Russell on the email above or 021 123 2828.

#### WE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS Recently Deceased:

John Bourke (Jillian Frizzell's brother), Simon O'Kane, Stellas Netto, Bede Houlahan, Betty Koorey, Anthonius (Ton) Ham, Aidan Sargison, Margaret Koorey-Faulkner (Waiuku).

#### Please pray for the Souls of:

Antonius Bot, Nicholas Bot A12/1, Fearn family, Deceased relatives of Jones/O'Kane families, Deceased members of the Hannan & Sullivan families, Reuben and Nancy Lange and their departed siblings; William, Pattie, David, Peter and Patrick O'Keefe, Margaret Doggett and her deceased family members, Emmanuel George A06/02, John Francis Pyke A07/02, Joe O'Boyle A09/02, Lewis Caldwell A10/02, Grace Cullinane A07/03.

Please keep in your prayers those in our parish and communities who are sick especially:

Names for the sick will be rotated monthly. Please let the parish office know if you wish for the name to stay on the Prayer List.

Margaret Martin, members and volunteers of the St Vincent de Paul, Lily Walsh, Des Sutton, Loyola Mouldey, Vincenza Ercolano, Peter Dawes, Sue Davis, Raewyn Connors, Chris Lucy, Trish Sharp, Jo Ramsay, John Janssen, Mark Rice, Annette Brunton, Tony Brunton, Bob Barber, Robert McIntyre, Keith Billington, Teresa Griffin, Jan Skinners, Maree McCracken, Livia Bairstow, Fr. David Gledhill, Elaine Campbell, Jaimee Gregory, Catherine Guilford, Kristen Hay, Colleen Taylor, Beverley Morley, Malakai Lyford, Natalie & Reg Corbett, Lauretta Ball, Louise O'Connor, Xavier Allen, Joyce Dawes, June Brunton, David Neilson, Marie McCormick, Mark Sullivan, Rita Yule, Tovi'o Levy, Marie Tatere, Sally Wilson, Fenton Kelly, Graham Harris, Diana Helm, Grant Evans, Rawinia Barlow, Denny Hona, Margaret Sanders, Patricia Bot, Penelope Davis, Tiffany Wong, Nathan Hutchinson.

**PRAYERLINE:** When in need of prayers for special intentions please phone any one of the following people: Fay Evans 878 8643, Eleanor McFlynn 878 9928, Trish Webley 8778172 or Margaret Frater 877 7571.

#### "Hastings Music Society Presents Hope in our Hearts."

A Concert to raise spirits and funds to support those affected by Cyclone Gabrielle Disaster. Featuring local musicians including: Patrick Power, Rhonda Browne and Choralairs

#### Sunday 12 March, 2pm

**Venue:** St Matthew's Anglican Church200 King St South, Hastings

Entrance by Koha.

All proceeds will go to
Hawke's Bay Disaster Relief Trust Board CC57722

#### St. Joseph's Primary School



I would like to thank the community for their patience while we cleaned up the aftermath of cyclone Gabrielle. I would also like to thank the generosity of our school family for their support of our Non-Uniform Day. We raised just over \$1800 for the Diocese Cyclone Relief Appeal. We had a meaningful Ash Wednesday Mass and our children participated beautifully. - a special start to our Lenten season. *Aaron O'Neill (Principal)* 

#### Sacred Heart College

Today we hosted our first Academic assembly of the year, it was really lovely to come together to congratulate and celebrate those who achieved success in NCEA, particularly after a turbulent last few weeks.

Next Tuesday, 14th March, we have student school photos being taken onsite.

16th & 17th March is the RNDM leaders retreat in Waikanae.

Please continue to pray for our flood affected families and wider community, as they continue to negotiate this tough time, they will be getting tired and frustrated, they need our prayer now more than ever. God bless.

Nga mihi, Maria Neville-Foster (Principal)

The Enhanced Learning Centre at Sacred Heart College is looking for **volunteers** to assist students with learning differences. This could include reading information to the student/reading back what a student has said and/ or writing (or typing) the student's responses. No prior knowledge of subject content is required as this is not the role of a reader/writer. All you need is empathy, kindness, patience, and legible handwriting. At the end of the year, you might want to assist with the NCEA exams and there is remuneration for that role.

Please contact Liz Molony: Imolony@shcn.school.nz

## Applications open for next funding round | Diocese of Palmerston North Allocations Group

Parish groups, agencies and church organisations that provide a helping hand by supporting Families and Social Services are invited to apply for funding from the Catholic Charities Foundation of Palmerston North and the Tindall Foundation through the Diocesan Allocations group.

The priority is to fund Catholic and community organisations who are working in areas identified as priorities by the Catholic Charities Foundation of Palmerston North and the Tindall Foundation and aligned with the diocesan goals.

We are charged with the funding support of groups committed to social, pastoral, charitable and educational needs in the diocese. Applications are judged based on need, resource availability and the fulfilment of set criteria.

Applications are now open and are due by Friday 31 March 2023. Application forms and more information can be found here: <a href="https://pndiocese.org.nz/catholic-charities-application">https://pndiocese.org.nz/catholic-charities-application</a> or please contact Ashley Dahl at <a href="mailto:adahl@pndiocese.org.nz">adahl@pndiocese.org.nz</a> or ph (06) 354 1780 ext 842.

#### Feast Days & Events

12th March - 3rd Sunday of Lent

17th March - St Patrick (Feast)

20th March - St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)

25th March - The Annunciation of the Lord (Solemnity)

26th March - 5th Sunday of Lent

#### Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

Online Sessions (Evening):

Genesis – In the Beginning... (Repeat on Special Request)
The Creation Stories (incl. study material) with Kieran Fenn fms.
Monday, 20 March, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Fee: \$25
https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/in-the-beginning/

YouTube Recording

The Notion of 'Church' with Prof Thomas O'Loughlin <a href="https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/03/02/muffin-talk-with-prof-thomas-oloughlin/">https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/03/02/muffin-talk-with-prof-thomas-oloughlin/</a> For more information: www.studyjoy.nz

### 30th Birthday Celebrations for Passionist Family Groups in the Hastings Parish

A celebration Mass followed by dinner at Jarks was held on Sat 11th February. We would like thank Father Trung for the very special Mass. The dinner was attended by 40 group members and the National Coordinator

Here is Susan and Dan Doohan cutting the birthday cake. Any enquiries regarding PFG contact Margaret and Graeme.



#### **Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2pm – 4pm

All is welcome.

For further inquiries, please contact Maureen on 842 0426

If you change your address, email or phone number please contact the office so they can amend your details.