

OUR MISSION

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

TO LOVE
as Jesus loved



The Catholic Parish of Hastings

Te Pārihi Katorika ki Heretaunga

OUR VISION
'LIVING AS CHRIST'

OUR MISSION

TO ENGAGE
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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Our Lady of Lourdes

85 Te Mata Rd
Havelock North

Sunday Mass
9.30am

Weekday Masses

Tues: 9.00am
Wed: 9.00am
Thurs: 9.30am



St. Peter Chanel

817 Gordon Rd
Hastings

Vigil Saturday:
5.30pm

Sunday Mass:
10.30am

Weekday Mass

Tues: 5.30pm
Thurs: 5.30pm



Sacred Heart

425 Heretaunga St East
Hastings

Sunday Masses
9:00am & 5.30pm

Weekday Masses

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



Immaculate Conception

Paki Paki

Sunday Mass
8.00am



32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

12th November 2023

Reflection for Today

Florence Nightingale, the foundress of modern nursing, was known as "The Lady of the Lamp". During the Crimean War she walked through the hospital wards at night with a small, glowing lamp. For the sick and dying soldiers it was a comforting sign that someone was awake and watchful.

The ten bridesmaids in the Gospel are keeping a similar vigil but when the bridegroom is late they all fall asleep and their lamps go out. Their lapse, however, is not the problem. The issue is the oil. Only the five bridesmaids with extra oil can trim their lamps in an instant when the bridegroom suddenly appears.

Every parable has a double layer: the story and the teaching inside the story. Our question today is this — what is the meaning of the "oil" that kept the lamps alight? It is the symbol for wisdom. The first reading confirms this when it extols the virtues of seeking and possessing wisdom because it is "*bright and does not grow dim.*"

This leads to another question. What, in practical terms, is wisdom for us? **Christian wisdom is simple — love of God and love of neighbour.** When we line up our lives behind these two great commandments of Jesus we grow in wisdom and build up reserves of this precious oil by which we bless and are blessed.

The parable of the bridesmaids is a warning about the Last Days. Jesus, the heavenly bridegroom, is going to return at a time that no one knows, to usher in the reign of God. Who will stand ready at His coming? Those who by their constancy in prayer and charity burn brightly at any hour.

[G.M]

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9.00a.m - 1.00p.m.

For urgent matters please contact the priests. Contact details above.

Readings Year A:

12th November - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 6:12-16, 1 Thess 4:13-18, Matt 25:1-13

19th November - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31, 1 Thess 5:1-6, Matt 25:14-30

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: Meeting on Thursdays 7pm-8pm in the Mission Centre (behind Parish Office). All welcome.

Enquiries please 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 Sunday 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

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

RECONCILIATION: SH - Friday 11.00am, Saturday 8.00am

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



SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST



First Holy Communion Preparation Dates:

12th November – Session Three -10.00a.m. after 9.00a.m. Mass.

FIRST RECONCILIATION CELEBRATION - 18th November.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION - 19th November.

St Vincent De Paul Havelock North are happy to invite you to our **Anointing Mass and Christmas afternoon tea.**

This will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 2pm, **Tuesday 14th November 2023.**

This will replace the regular **Tuesday** morning Mass.

Everyone is welcome to join us for this spiritually uplifting occasion.

If you need transport, please ring **Mary Cope 877 5126, Mike Malone 877 8332 or Kathy Kavanagh 027 201 7864.**

If you have someone in your family that you think would be interested, please pass this message on or bring them along.

A small plate would be welcome to assist with the afternoon tea.

OLOL Sunday rosters for December, January and February are being processed now. For alterations, please email Susan Doohan deepdee@xtra.co.nz or phone 06)877 7733.

FR. ANTHONY HTUN 16.3.71 – 25.11.22



A Memorial Mass will be celebrated for Fr. Anthony on Saturday 25th November '23, at St. Peter Chanel church, 11.00am.

Please bring a plate to share your cultural cuisine. A BBQ lunch will also be provided, following the Mass. All welcome.

Invitation to the Priests' Jubilee Mass Tuesday 28 November 2023

All parishioners are warmly invited to the Mass to celebrate the **Jubilees of Priestly Ordination**. The Jubilee Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 28 November 2023 at 12.05 pm in the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit. The presider will be Bishop John Adams. The priest celebrating a Jubilee this year is Fr. Chris Martin (40 years).

Warning - Scam Calls Posing as our Priests.

It has come to our attention that scam calls are being made where they have pretended to be one of our diocesan parish priests. Using the priest's name, they ask for help in the form of gift cards or money. Note that none of our priest's will ask for any money or gift cards and if in doubt ring the parish phone number. If you receive any such calls or texts, that are requesting such, please ignore and do not reply. Text's often say, "they are in a meeting, so do not phone, but text back and that your help is critical and highly appreciated". - Do not reply.

You can report their phone number to Department of Internal Affairs, by forwarding the text to 7726, then send in another text the scammers phone number. Then block the scammer's number immediately. If you receive a text/email which seems strange, always check the phone number (or email address). If it is a scam, the details will be slightly different. If in doubt, please do not respond to the text but delete it. If you have been scammed, it's important that you contact the police on 105.

Diocese of PN Annual Report Presentation **14 November 2023**

We wish to invite you to our Diocesan presentation on our annual report. Liam Greer, Diocesan Manager will be introducing the report and will discuss key areas of focus for the diocese, followed by Bishop John Adam's who will share some initial ideas for the renewal of our Diocese.

The presentation will be held in the St Peter Chanel Hall, 817 Gordon Road, Hastings West, Tuesday 14 November 2023 at 6.15pm.

Please join us celebrate Mass at 5.30pm beforehand, followed by a cup of tea before the presentation commences.

YOUTH CORNER

Warm greetings to you all and welcome to your youth corner with some interesting news from last week.

Our Confirmation candidates had a successful Day Retreat on Saturday 4th November in the Mission Centre. We had 13 teens and some adults had been saying yes to the invitation to take further step in their faith journey. The sessions were running last term during youth gathering as part of our Life Nights. They had been accompanied by their RE teachers, Youth Core Team led by Fr Trung, sponsors, parents, and prayer groups.



Let's continue to pray for them as they open their hearts to God's call to be Christ's disciples in multiple ways. May they be role models to other young people by inspiring them with their belief in the Holy Spirit and the Words of God.

We are looking forward to their Pentecost/Confirmation Day this Sunday 12 November, at Sacred Heart Church, 5:30pm. It will be a very special day for all of us to meet Bishop John Adams and the candidates' families and friends.

Our sincere thanks to the youth team for offering your gifts and times to support our young people, and especially those who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. A huge thank you to those prayer groups who had been praying for the candidates since the beginning of the sessions last term. Please, keep them in your prayers as they become adult members of our Catholic Church.

Our youth raffle fundraiser ticket sales will be after Sunday Masses, and they are also available in the parish office. \$2 per ticket. There are 20 amazing prizes to be won (Christmas Hampers, shopping vouchers, etc).

Our Christmas Concert will be on Saturday 2nd December, from 5pm. Please support our annual major fundraiser so we can take as many teenagers as we can to those two-formation events January 2024. (Youth Bay Camp - \$175/teen).

Life Teen Summer Camp - \$250/teen). Your contribution will be very much appreciated.

God bless, Youth Team.

Archbishop Paul Martin SM presented with symbolic Metropolitan's pallium in Mass at St Mary of the Angels Wellington NZ

Archbishop of Wellington New Zealand Paul Martin SM received his Metropolitan Archbishop's pallium and also blessed the iconic Holy Mary Mother of God artwork during the same 5pm Mass at St Mary of the Angels church in Wellington yesterday. A brief story/statement is available online here:

<https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/pallium/>

The pallium – a white band of lamb's wool adorned with black crosses and worn over the shoulders and chasuble – is the traditional, historic insignia of a metropolitan archbishop of the Catholic Church and is bestowed by the Pope. "It's an ancient part of our Church tradition and I am extremely humble wearing it today," Archbishop Martin told the crowded church in his homily during the Mass.

WE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Recently Deceased:

Albert Stuart (Des Sutton half brother),
Peter Sugden, Marg Moore,
Brian Dennis (Cheryl Eccleton's brother-in-law),
Louisa Cumberbeach Talbot, Frank Adamson (Brother of Joan McIntyre & Veronica Telford)



Please pray for the Souls of:

Catherine McGrath (Kitty) A6/10, Mervyn Bright A6/10, Tom Mouldey A16/10, Bill Logan A17/10, Michael Broderick A18/10, Vanessa O'Neill A18/10, Tai Cullinane A19/10, Jose M.O and Mary Jose departed souls, Gerard Brady A22/10, Michael (Mick) Carr A22/10, Joan Robison A22/10, Joyce Jillings A23/10, Lou Jillings, Jim Molloy A24/10, Josephine (Jo) Brady A27/10, Annie Gibbs A30/10, Andres Galapon, Juanita Galapon, Basilic Galapon, Homer Galapon, Julie Alonzo, George Barnes A31/10, Mike Timu, Cecilia Barnes, Carrem Koorey, Douglas Matthews A4/11, Sean Pollard A7/11, Fr Pat Cooke A15/11, Dorothy Rae A24/11, Fr Anthony Htun A25/11, Francis McGrath A29/11, O'Malley/Maher, Dodson/Fitzpatrick, Purcell/Cullinane, Bernie Doherty (UK), John & Theo Jenssen, Peter Van DeLee, Jessen & Beaumont family.

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, Des Sutton, Peter Dawes, Sue Davis, Raewyn Connors, Chris Lucy, Jo Ramsay, Mark Rice, Annette Brunton, Tony Brunton, Bob Barber, Robert McIntyre, Keith Billington, 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, Marie Tatere, Sally Wilson, Fenton Kelly, Graham Harris, Diana Helm, Grant Evans, Denny Hona, Margaret Sanders, Penelope Davis, Tiffany Wong, Fiona Millar, Sue David, Margaret Sanders, Maureen Horsefield, Gavin Noonan, Mark Ulrich (USA), Fr Larry Barnett, Brian & Pauline Groves, Anne O'Kane, Epi Timu, Barbie Tarrega, Bernadette & Ross Chilton, Carol & Lawrie Wagnor (Aust), Sue Godyre, Morgan Flynn, John Marryatt, Ann Amoravet, Kerry Walsh (Australia), Henry Crichton, John Anderson, Terry Durney.

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.

If you wish to receive your newsletter via email:

Contact the parish office on 8787774 or email
admin@hastings.parish.nz

St. Mary's Primary School

We are halfway into the term and our Senior Team have enjoyed their camp this week. Teachers are working hard on their end of year assessments and reports, athletics practise has begun, and children are working hard in their classes. Our middle team celebrated Mass and afterwards, the children could go to Reconciliation. We congratulate all those children who are receiving the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion on Saturday 18th November and Sunday 19th November! Blessings on a great fortnight ahead.

Rachael Quinney (DRS)

Sacred Heart College

Saturday 11th November Duke of Ed Bronze Training Day
Friday 17th November is an NCEA Teacher Accord Day, no classes on this day. Wednesday 22nd November is our Year 10 Work Exploration Day where students are out with local businesses experiencing an industry/profession of their choice for the day. This is followed by a day of careers workshops at school. Friday 24th November Year 10 Retreat Saturday 25th – 27th November Duke of Ed Bronze Tramp

End of year dates for your calendar: Join us on the 8th December at 10.30am for our prizegiving in the Sacred Heart College gym. Followed by our Thanksgiving Mass at 6.30pm at St Patricks Church.

Nga mihi, Maria Neville-Foster (Principal)

DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY!

GOSPEL of MARK Workshop: Presented by Dr Sarah Hart
Lecturer: Biblical Studies Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College
Thursday, 7th December 7pm to 9pm Mission Centre, Sacred Heart
There will be NO CHARGE. To register, phone/text Diana 022 651 0946 or phone Steph (06) 878 7774.

Tūmanako Update | November 2023

In our latest update, we bring you news from our diocese and across the globe. Highlights include links related to the ongoing Synod on Synodality, information from Caritas concerning the crisis in the Holy Land, and a recap of the keynote presentations from the recent Diocesan Assembly of Priests. Additionally, we have included valuable resources for the upcoming World Day of the Poor.

<https://mailchi.mp/pndiocese/november-2023>

You can sign up to receive the update direct to your inbox by visiting pndiocese.org.nz/signup

FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS SACRED HEART CHURCH

We are in urgent need of someone to arrange the altar flowers. *You don't have to be a florist*, and silk flowers are provided, if no fresh flowers available. If you have a flair for flower arranging, please contact the office. A roster would be organised if we get a good response.

Notice to all Parishes | World Day of the Poor | 19 November 2023

For the last seven years, Pope Francis has asked us to contemplate the Poor around us on the World Day of the Poor, being the Sunday before the Sunday we celebrate Jesus as King of the Universe. We gather, says Pope Francis, “to receive once more the gift and strength to live lives of poverty and to serve the poor.”

Material poverty can be obvious, but Pope Francis prompts us to seek out other – less obvious -forms of poverty and address their causes. We are called to not only acknowledge every poor person but also every form of poverty.

Men and women devoted to care for the poor do more than give charity; “they listen, they engage, they try to understand and deal with the difficult situations and their causes.” Getting to the causes of poverty can be difficult. Archbishop Helder Camera of Brazil was praised when he gave food to the poor but ridiculed and dismissed when he asked why the poor had no food.

Pope Francis suggests other forms of poverty arise from war, from economic and ecological speculation, inadequate wages, unsafe work places, a sense of hopelessness especially among our young. We surely meet Christ in the poor and so we are cautioned “not to turn our face away from anyone who is poor” and not to turn away from many situations causing poverty.

In the absence of a Diocesan Commission for Justice Peace Development and Ecology (JPDEC) the JPDEC Steering Group is asking all Parishes to mark Sunday 19 November, the World Day of the Poor, with an examination of the Poor and forms of poverty in each parish area. Parishes are also asked, importantly, to determine the causes of such poverty.

Pope Francis' Letter for the 7th World Day of the Poor and other excellent resources can be found at <https://www.caritas.org.nz/world-day-of-the-poor>. As always Caritas provides us with some great ideas, liturgy and action plans and even some tips for homilies – listen out for them. According to the Caritas website, don't be surprised if your priest checks-in with you while he prepares the homily.

All parishes are encouraged to share with the Steering Group their findings, before the end of November.

Please email pndiocesejpsc2022@gmail.com

Kevin Campbell

If you have a celebration or special occasion you would like shared, phone the office or email admin@hastings.parish.nz to include in the newsletter.