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'

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

<u>Sunday Mass</u> 9.30am (PR) & 11.00am (NPR)

<u>Weekday Masses</u>

Mon: 9.00am-Liturgy Tues: 9.00am Wed: 9.00am - Mass Thurs: 9.30am

Fri: 9am-Exposition 10am-Liturgy

Sat: 9.00am – Liturgy

St. Peter Chanel 817 Gordon Rd

Hastings

Vigil Sat: 5.30pm (PR) Sunday Mass: 10.30am (PR) 8.00am (PR during Lent)

<u>Weekday Masses</u>

Tues: 5.30pm Thurs: 5.30pm

Sacred Heart

425 Heretaunga St East Hastings

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

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

Immaculate Conception

Paki Paki

<u>Sunday Mass</u> 8.00am (PR)



Second Sunday of Lent 13th March 2022

Reflection for Today

"Letting God transform us; Seeing God manifest in our lives"

Last Sunday we celebrated the first Sunday of Lent, and the Word of God reminds us that God is first and He must be first in our lives. This Sunday is the second Sunday of Lent, and the readings show us that God is truly present in our world.

The Gospel today "The Transfiguration of Jesus. There are two aspects to the story of the transfiguration. First is that it affirms Jesus' identity as the beloved of God despite the shadow of the cross that now hangs over His ministry. The second is that it serves as a reminder to the disciples that their task as they accompany Jesus on the road to Jerusalem is to really listen to Him. This puts our Lenten efforts into the right context as the sole purpose of the season is to bring us to a closer relationship with Jesus and to understand more fully the meaning of his Passion, Death, and Resurrection.

Jesus invites us to go up the mountain with Him. The mountain experience is being with Jesus in prayer. It is prayer that strengthens our faith and more quality time to pray and to listen to Jesus. Then there is nothing to fear, for we know God is with us now and for always.

Rev. Deacon Tevita Faka'osi

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 C: 3rd Sunday of Lent Ex 3:1-8, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9;

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YOUR PARTICIPATION IS WELCOME...

ADORATION: Madonna Tuesdays 9am—1pm

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Please contact the office to arrange an

appointment with a priest.

BENEDICTION & Exposition: SH Fridays 11am

CHOIR PRACTICE: SH Thursdays 5.30p.m. NEW MEMBERS WANTED!

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP: Mission Centre (room to left of front door). Wednesdays 7-8 pm. All welcome. 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

HOSPITAL SINGING: Hospital main entrance 2nd Sunday 6pm

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

MARK'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

(on hold until further notice)

RECONCILIATION: SH - Friday 11.30am, Saturday 8.30am

SPC - Saturday 5pm OR by appointment

OLOL - Wednesday 9.30am

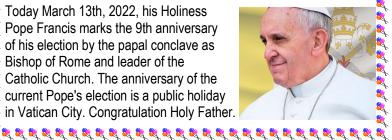
ROSARY: OLOL - Thursdays 9.10am

SH - Saturday 8am

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

YOUNG ADULTS: Mission Centre. 1st & 3rd Sunday after 5.30pm Mass

Today March 13th, 2022, his Holiness Pope Francis marks the 9th anniversary of his election by the papal conclave as Bishop of Rome and leader of the Catholic Church. The anniversary of the current Pope's election is a public holiday in Vatican City. Congratulation Holy Father.



Please keep our RCIA catechumens Katrina Hughes, Oliver & Vanessa Klett and candidates Jules Soti, Rebecca Jackson & Emily Thorne, and their sponsors in your prayers, as today they receive the Rite of Election and Enrolment of Names, at the Sacred Heart church.

Chief Executive wanted: Te Kupenga-Catholic Leadership Institute

Te Kupenga-Catholic Leadership Institute combines academic, leadership, faith formation and bio-ethical research and advocacy responsibilities for the Catholic church in Aotearoa New Zealand. The Board is looking for a Chief Executive with relevant leadership experience, possibly gained in a faith-based, non-profit or secondary/ tertiary education setting. The role will probably be based in Auckland. Full details and how to apply, go here: https://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/ uncategorized/seeking-for-tumuaki-chief-executive/. Applications close on Monday 28 March.

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

CATECHISM

The Secret to Living Lent

In order to gather together scattered humanity God calls Abram from his country, his kindred and his father's house, and makes him Abraham, that is, "the father of a multitude of nations". "In you all the nations of the earth shall be blessed." Abraham thus fulfills the definition of faith in Hebrews 11:1: "Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen": "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Because he was "strong in his faith". Abraham became the "father of all who believe". (Catechism Of The Catholic Church, No. 59, 146)

For a moment Jesus discloses his divine glory, confirming Peter's confession. He also reveals that he will have to go by the way of the cross at Jerusalem to "enter into his glory". Moses and Elijah had seen God's glory on the Mountain: the Law and the Prophets had announced the Messiah's sufferings. Christ's Passion is the will of the Father: The Son acts as God's servant; the cloud indicates the presence of the Holy Spirit. "The whole Trinity appeared: the Father in the voice; the Son in the man; the Spirit in the shining cloud." (Catechism Of The Catholic Church, No. 555) You were transfigured on the mountain, and your disciples, as much as they were capable of it, beheld your glory, O Christ our God, so that when they should see you crucified, they would understand that your Passion was voluntary, and proclaim to the world that you truly are the splendor of the Father. (Byzantine Liturgy)

Christ's Transfiguration aims at strengthening the apostles' faith in anticipation of his Passion: the ascent on to the "high mountain" prepares for the ascent to Calvary. Christ, Head of the Church, manifests what his Body contains and radiates in the sacraments: "the hope of glory". (Catechism Of The Catholic Church, No. 568)

Fr. Anthony Htun

Vacancies for Prison Chaplains

Applications are sought from suitably qualified people for a number of Catholic chaplaincy positions in prisons in Hamilton and Dunedin dioceses of New Zealand. The successful applicants will become a



member of a chaplaincy team providing spiritual and religious support to all prisoners. Chaplains work with prisoners as they encounter the challenges of incarceration and separation from loved ones and whanau.

Go here for details: https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/mediareleases/vacancies-prisonchaplains/

YOUTH CORNER

Kia Orana and warm greetings from our youth corner. It is a blessing for our young people to participate in the celebration of Te Ara A Maria's visit to our Parish. What a good way of teaching our young generation to recognise the importance of devoting to our Blessed Mother Mary, the Patron Saint of this Nation. As the world is in turmoil, it is a time for us to double up our prayer life and trust in Mary's intercession by praying Her Holy



Rosary for an end to the pandemic and war. May the Re-Dedication of New Zealand to the guidance and protection of our Blessed Mother leads us closer to Most Sacred Heart of her Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

Youth Masses and gathering are still on hold until further notices.

God bless, Faaki Tuanaki (Youth Minister)

Dove Fellowship for Catholic Women invite all women to an afternoon of praise, prayer, teaching and friendship. Saturday March 26th, 2-4pm at St Mary's Centre Osier Rd Greenmeadows.

Blessings, Gloria.

"SJC Pasifika Mentor looking for donations of Gym and Weight Training Equipment to use on Saturday mornings. Please get in touch if you do ifost006@gmail.com or ask CPOH Office for mobile contact."

"FREE Fitness for all every Saturday from 8am - 9am at St John's college Hastings. Don't forget to scan. Bring a towel, water bottle and proper exercise footwear, and a friend/family member. https://www.facebook.com/SJCPasifika/". Please email Jonathan Foster for further details: jfost006@gmail.com

A little girl was talking to her teacher about whales.

The teacher said it was physically impossible for a whale to swallow a human because even though it was a very large mammal its throat was very small.

The little girl stated that Jonah was swallowed by a whale.

Irritated, the teacher reiterated that a whale could not swallow a human; it was physically impossible.

The little girl said, 'When I get to heaven I will ask Jonah'.

The teacher asked, 'What if Jonah went to hell?'

The little girl replied, 'Then you ask him'.

WE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS Recently Deceased:

Donald Vincent Brebner, Sadie Wong, Mark Lissington, Dorothy Muir, John Kelbrick.

Please pray for the Souls of:

Jones/O'Kane families, Lewis Caldwell A 10/02 (husband of Trish), Emmanuel George A 06/02, Grace Cullinane A 07/03, Rafael Garay 06/03.

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 Hastings St Vincent de Paul, Lily Walsh, Margaret Roberts, Des Sutton, Loyola Mouldey, Staveley Tankersley, Vincenza Ercolano, Peter Dawes, Sue Davis, Bronwynne Thorp, Raewyn Connors, Chris Lucy, Trish Sharp, Jo Ramsay, John Janssen, Mark Rice, Noreen Pakinga (Laracy), Annette Brunton, Tony Brunton, Bob Barber, Robert McIntyre, Keith Billington, Teresa Griffin, Tiffany Wong, Jan Skinners, Maree McCracken, Anthony Allen Ron, Livia Bairstow, Fr. David Gledhill, Elaine Campbell, Jaimee Gregory, Catherine Guilford, Eve van Bohemen, Kristen Hay, Colleen Taylor, Beverley Morley, Malakai Lyford, Natalie & Reg Corbett, Lauretta Ball, Louise O'Connor, Evelyn Curtin, Xavier Allen, Joyce Dawes, Pat McGehan, Des Kavanagh, Marie Tartere, June Brunton, James Minehan, David Neilson, Marie McCormick, Mark Sullivan, Lee-Vaeh Aga'alofa, Kathryn Ingram.

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.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

God of all People, we pray for peace today and every day, especially for the people of Ukraine. Send your Spirit of wisdom upon our world leaders. May the decisions they make be in the interest of all Earth's citizens. Send your Spirit of compassion upon those who bear arms. May they turn instead to reconciliation and dialogue. Send your Spirit of healing upon those who are injured. May they know your touch through the hands of those who care for them. Send your Spirit of welcome upon those who are killed in this act of war. May they know the embrace of your love. Send your Spirit of consolation on those who have lost loved ones. May they know comfort in your promise that one day they will see them again. Send your Spirit of protection on those who have lost their homes. May they find shelter and security. Send your Spirit of hospitality upon all nations. May they welcome refugees into their midst. Send your Spirit of hope upon your world. May we live into your vision of a future of justice and peace. Amen.



St. Joseph's Primary School

It's been a busy two weeks at school with water safety, weekly biking, pancake making and an interesting forensic talk as part of our senior school science topic. Our Juniors had a great afternoon participating in their Triathlon on Friday. Well done everyone!! We also welcomed our new group of candidate teachers from EIT who will be with us for the upcoming year.

Aaron O'Neill (Principal)

Sacred Heart College

In practising our Catholic Social Teaching principle of the Common Good this week, we moved to remote learning for a few days. The health and wellbeing of our students, staff and community is a top priority. Pope Francis said, "We must move forward together, as one in a renewed spirit of fraternity and solidarity, cooperating generously for the common good". With Omicron taking hold in our wider community, it is important to lean on our faith and look after each other. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on-site next week for hybrid learning.

Nga mihi

Maria Neville-Foster (Principal)

St. John's College

The Ukrainian crisis reminds us of how lucky we are to live in a country where we have peace and security, despite some of our recent challenges with the pandemic and demonstrations. This week the college was privileged to have Te Ara a Maria spend time in our chapel. A number of our students were able to spend time with the icon. It was fitting that the icon spent time in a chapel designed by the first head student at St John's college, John Scott. Last weekend our canoe polo teams played in a regional competition with our junior team winning the bronze medal and our senior team winning a silver medal, losing in a golden goal shoot-out to Napier Boys. Our STEAM programme will start on 17th June for Year 8 students. St Patrick's School, St Joseph's School and St Mary's School will be contacted directly by St. John's. Parents of Catholic boys attending other intermediates in Year 8 are welcome to contact us about their son attending this programme. For more information, please contact us.

Conor Bolton (DRS)

URGENTLY NEEDED

We required people to work the power point at Sacred Heart church for Sunday Masses, on a rostered basis. Full training will be given. Please contact the office if this sounds like something you could do.

Upcoming online event: Young Pasifika women.

As part of the Catholic Theological College online event series, we wish to invite you to "But who do you say I am? -- Images of God, mental well-being, and Pacific young women," on Thursday 31 March 6:30-8:00pm via Zoom. This might interest young people, especially Pasifika. The speaker is Dr Therese Lautua, a graduate in PhD Theology at the University of Auckland. She will talk about the significance of Christianity for the spiritual and mental wellbeing of young Christian, multi-ethnic Pasifika women. She will take us through the different images of God and how this impact mental wellbeing.

Details and registration here: https://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/ uncategorized/upcoming-online-event-who-do-you-say-i-am-images-of-god-mental-well-being-and-pacific-young-women/

Please note there will be an extra Mass at 8.00am at St Peter Chanel during Lent.

If you wish to receive your newsletter via email:

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

Please follow our Parish social media platforms like Facebook, Website, and the APP for latest updates.

<u>Bishops believe parishes will welcome four-month</u> <u>local Synod extension</u>

The bishops believe dioceses and parishes will be welcoming the Vatican's four-month extension for the local phase of the Synod process. The deadline of the first (local) phase of the two-year international synodal process has been extended from next April to next 15 August. NZCBC Secretary Bishop Steve Lowe says the original timeframe was difficult for Southern Hemisphere countries because of our summer holiday period, with the Covid-19 restrictions making face-to-face contact hard.

More information: https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/local-synod-timing/

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy.

Online Sessions: Ignatian Imaginative Contemplation – Prayer Hour with Laetitia Puthenpadath.

Friday, 25 March, 3-4pm. ZOOM. Koha/Donation. https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/ignatian-imaginative-contemplation/. For more information and registration: www.studyjoy.nz. Muffin Talk Radio Programme recordings and video clips on religion, interfaith and community available at https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/.

National Liturgy Office Lent material

With Lent having begun, the National Liturgy Office is featuring a page of preparation for liturgies for each Sunday in Lent. The page will be updated regularly. Please go here for the details: https://www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/