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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Office hours:

Monday - Friday 9.00a.m - 1.00p.m.



Our Lady of Lourdes 85 Te Mata Rd Havelock North

Sunday Mass 9.30am

Weekday Masses Mon 9am-Liturgy Tues 9am **Wed** 9 am – Liturgy Thurs 9.30am Fri 9am -Exposition 10am-Liturgy Sat 9am-Liturgy



Immaculate Conception

Paki Paki

Sunday Mass 8am

24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

13th September 2020

The Process of Forgiveness

24th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)

The message of today's reading is one of the most important in the whole of the Bible. It concerns forgiveness. Each of us stands in need of God's forgiveness. Today's Gospel tells us in the clearest possible way that God will not forgive us our sins unless we are willing to forgive those who sin against us. William Temple commented, "Only one petition in the Lord's prayer has a condition attached to it, that is, the petition for forgiveness." The willingness to forgive those who offend us is a sacred duty. Jesus teaches us to pray daily for the grace and strength to forgive others in the same measure in which God has forgiven us (Matthew 6:12, 14-15). The Apostle James says that "judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy" (James 2:13).

Theologians rightly teach us that forgiveness is an act of the will. It is a decision to let go of the desire for revenge and release the offender into the hands of God. Now, that decision takes place at such a deep level of the soul that it can exist at the same time as strong emotions of anger or resentment. Those emotions don't flow from the will, like our decisions, but are simply natural reactions to the experience of injustice, feelings which we cannot always control. But our decisions, our choices, exist at the very core of the soul, in the will, and those we can control. In other words, it is possible to truly forgive someone and at the same time to still have feelings of anger or resentment towards them. When that happens, we have to counteract the feelings by prayer and by turning our attention to more productive things. Let's renew our faith in God's limitless mercy, and beg him with all our hearts for the grace we need to treat others just as he has treated us. God Bless Us All!

Fr. Anthony Htun



St. Peter Chanel

817 Gordon Rd. Hastings

Vigil Sat: 5:30pm Sunday Mass 10am Weekday Mass **Tues**– 5.30pm Fri - Madonna 9.15am



Sacred Heart 425 Heretaunga St East, Hastings

Sunday Mass 9:30am 5.30pm

Weekday Masses Wed, Thurs. Frid -12.05pm Thurs -9.15am, (during school term)

Sat 9am

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr. Marcus Francis ph. 02102283349 Assistant Priest: Fr. Trung Nguyen ph.0220626726

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Youth Ministry: Faaki Tuanaki ph. 0211644218

Passionist Family Co-Ordinators: Graeme & Margaret Armstrong ph. 8777758

Readings for Next Sunday: Year A: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Amos 8:4-7; 1Tim 2:1-8; Luke 16:1-13;

ADORATION: Tuesday 9am-1pm Madonna, Friday 9am OLOL **BAPTISM PREPARATION:** Please contact the office to arrange an appointment with a priest.

BENEDICTION: & Exposition every second Thursday of the month, at St

Peter Chanel church 7p.m.- 8p.m.

CHOIR PRACTICE: Every Thursday at Sacred Heart 5.30p.m.

New members welcome.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP – every Wednesday at Sacred Heart day chapel, 7 – 8 p.m. All welcome. Enquiries please ring Paula ph. 878 3314.

 $\textbf{HOSPITAL SINGING:} \ 2 \text{nd Sunday 6pm (meet main entrance of Hospital)}$

(to be advised)

MARIST THIRD ORDER: Every 1st Sunday of the month, 2pm at Sacred

Heart church in room off the day chapel.

MORNING PRAYER: Monday - Friday 9am Sacred Heart **RECONCILIATION**: SHC - Friday 11.30am, Saturday 8.30am

SPC - Saturday 5pm

(or by appointment)

ROSARY: Thursday 9.10am Our Lady of Lourdes,

SUNDAY READINGS: Tuesdays 10 –11am at Sacred Heart

WEDNESDAY MORNING TEA at Sacred Heart Church- 10 am -11.45am

LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS COMING WEEK '



Healing service

Fr John Rea, a Marist priest with a well-established healing ministry is visiting Hawkes Bay again. He will be conducting a healing service at St Peter Chanel, Gordon Rd, Hastings on **Thursday 17th September** at

7.30pm. A great opportunity to experience a touch of the Holy Spirit. All welcome. Feel free to bring a new handkerchief for Fr John to bless. His visit is supported by the local Currents of Grace.

Please note that we are still in Level 2 and thus restricted to 100 people. It will therefore be on a first come-first in basis. Should we go down to Level

Currents of Grace Meeting

There is an open meeting for all interested in hearing Fr John Rea speaking on "He is our right hand". **Saturday 19th September 1-3pm** in the church at St Peter Chanel, Gordon Rd, Hastings. Please note that we are still in Level 2 and thus restricted to 100 people. It will therefore be on a first come-first in basis. Should we go down to Level 1 prior to the event then there will be no restriction in numbers.

Youth Mass: **Sunday 20th** at Sacred Heart Church 9:30am. Youth Alpha Away Day: **Sunday 20th**, Sacred Heart Mission Centre. Starting with the 9.30am Mass.

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

COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE

If the Covid19 alert returns to LEVEL 1 the weekend Masses will remain as per usual. (Refer front page)

The Mass timetable for the weekend, **should the LEVEL 2 restrictions continue beyond Friday 14**, are:

5.30pm -Saint Peter Chanel Vigil

5.30pm -Sacred Heart Vigil

8.00am -Paki Paki

8.30am -Our Lady of Lourdes

8.30am- Saint Peter Chanel

9.30am -Sacred Heart

9.30am -Our Lady of Lourdes

10.00am -Saint Peter Chanel

11.00am -Sacred Heart

5.30pm -Sacred Heart

The Mass Booking System is live for Hastings! If you wish to attend one of our weekend masses, please go to www.pndiocese.org.nz/booking/hastings to confirm your place. The booking for masses is open from Tuesday and closes at 4pm Saturday. All Masses are restricted to 100 participants. All of the previous level 2 restrictions apply. Those who attend will need to sign in to allow for contact tracing.

ATTENTION

The Pasifika Combined School Mass and the SH morning tea are cancelled under Alert Level 2.

MADONNA MARIA – THANKYOU

A special 'Thank You' to all those who have accepted our invite to attend Adoration at Madonna on a Tuesday from 9am-1.00pm.

If you would like to experience a little time out, come and spend it with Jesus, Mary and Joseph. You will wonder why you have never tried before. Shortly we will be having two heaters installed at a cost of \$6,500. If you would like to donate them or contribute towards them, we would be very grateful. Our work that is needed is also starting to proceed in the future. The Society of Mary has sent us a donation along with a donation from a lady from out of town. Good news spreads! Can you join in the Good News?

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL -St. Peter Chanel

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, 17th Sept 5.30p.m., at the St. Peter Chanel hall. All welcome.

It is with sadness that the Catholic Parish of Hastings has accepted Trish Sharp's resignation. Trish has been a valued staff member for the last 3 and a half years. Trish has resigned due to health reasons. Trish may God bless you during this time and we pray that you have a full recovery. Your lovely smile and warm hello will be truly missed by all who enter the parish office.

MESSAGE FROM TRISH:

A huge thank you to everyone for your prayers and support, and the baking, flowers and cards received since my operation and diagnosis. My focus now is on my recovery, therefore, I have resigned as Parish secretary. Please continue to pray for me as I face this challenge ahead. Kind regards, Trish Sharp

YOUTH CORNER



Malo e lelei everyone and welcome to your youth corner. We trust that all Tongans enjoy their Language Week as they share with others in different ways. We continue to pray for our senior students who are having their practice exams at this time.

Youth Alpha is running well with the help of the Holy Spirit through your prayers and other kinds of support we have received from parishioners, such as baking and other food. Let's continue to pray for our Confirmation candidates who meet every Sunday to prepare for this amazing Sacrament.

Our Youth Alpha Day Away will be Sunday 20th of this month. Places are nearly full and if you have children ages 11-18 who want to join this great day, please contact asap to attain a consent form as we won't take any without this due to health & safety purposes.

Youth Mass: Sunday 20th at Sacred Heart Church 9:30am.

Faaki Tuanaki

(Youth Coordinator)

Alpha

The sixth week of Alpha was successfully held on Tuesday night. The topics this week were; How can God guide us, and I can I resist evil? The Alpha weekend is this Saturday at Our Lady of Lourdes for those that are registered (9am-3pm). We are really looking forward to it. Through the course to date, many people have now met and become friends in the community. Alpha also works to reach out and inspire new relationships with Christ. The next Alpha course will start early Feb 2021, registrations for that course are now open online in our link below. Note with Government restrictions at Level 2, Alpha sessions will continue as usual with a few additional precautions. If the alert level changes to a #3 or #4 lockdown, Alpha will move online via "Zoom". Please keep a watch on our webpage for any further developments

http://www.hastingscatholic.org.nz/alpha.html

WE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS Recently Deceased:

Kathleen Stanbridge, Sr. Catherine Hannan (DOLC), Tim Chote, Greg Sloane, Lynne Faulkner, Roy Gardi Martin Taylor (Kathy Kavanagh's brother), Bruce Mon Claire Lambert, Johanna Kamp, Matthew Reidy.

Please pray for the Souls of:

John Seed A1/8, Terry Lynn, Brien, McAuley & Tucker families, Mary Carr A2/8, Gail Sutton A24/8, Brian O'Connor A26/8, Owen Knight A30/8, Patrick McGrath 21/8, Brian O'Connor 26/8, Owen Knight 30/8, Selwyn Begley, Rita Spring19/8, Anne Cornelius 26/8, Francis Seed 1/9, May Seed 25/9, Teresa Fearn 14/9, Joan Walsh 28/8, Barney Walsh 30/8 Jim Thompson 7/09, Brian Knowles 6/09.

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

Casey Gair (Ivy Roberts grandson), Vi Bond, Kristen Hay, , Leo Baltussen, Colleen Taylor, Beverley Morley, Jack van Bohemen, Eve van Bohemen, Denyse Cornelius, David Ward, , Margaret Martin, members and volunteers of the Hastings St Vincent de Paul, Lily Walsh, Lindell Collier, Zoe Le Lievre, Margaret Roberts, Des Sutton, Loyola Mouldey, Staveley Tankersley, Vincenza Ercolano, Peter Dawes, Diane Masterton, Doug Matthews, Jan Campbell, Claire Lambert, Sue Davis, Bronwynne Thorp, Ian Sandral, Gerardene Turfrey, Irene Anderson, Mark Lissington, Chris McHardy, Daniel Wiley, Sally Wilson, Raewyn Connors, Nicola Green, Chris Lucy, Trish Sharp.

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. 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.

Ignatian Spirituality NZ is offering a 6 day Residential Silent Individually Guided Retreat –25 October, 10am to 30 October 4pm. St. Francis Retreat Centre, 50 Hillsborough Rd, Auckland. Apply to: chair@ignatianspirituality.nz

Be informed about the End of Life Choice Act Referendum:

- The End of Life Choice Act is not an option of 'last resort'. It will not just apply to the 'exceptionally difficult cases'. It does not require that a person first make use of available treatments or counselling, nor that they first receive palliative care. A person does not need to be in physical pain.
- If euthanasia becomes legal in NZ, people will access it because they think they lack other choices. Even though quality palliative care is effective, there is no corresponding legal right to access palliative care. Under current law, people can already say 'no' to treatments and can receive whatever level of pain relief they need. These days, no-one need die in pain.

The EOLC Act is badly drafted and seriously flawed. Whatever one's views about the idea of euthanasia, it is not 'compassion' to vote for a dangerous law.See www.riskylaw.nz or www.votesafe.nz or



St. Mary's Primary School

At St Mary's this week we enjoyed our 'Wig Wednesday and Wacky Hair Do's' to raise money for our Cancer Society.

Our classes have been focussing on both Social Justice week and the Church Strand, thinking about the people involved in our Church and what we are called to do to be like Jesus.

God Bless. Rachael Quinney DRS

St. Joseph's Primary School Term 3: Week 8

The term is drawing to a close, but there is still a lot happening at St. Joseph's. Miss Anderson is preparing 10 children for Baptism, Mathletics Competition will take place on 23rd September and the H.B.P.A Conference 17 September. The Junior Ugly Bug Ball will go ahead on 24 September, in class time. Again due to Covid conditions we cannot allow parents/spectators to watch. Photos and a video will be taken to share with parents. Aaron O'Neill (Principal)

Sacred Heart College

Monday sees the beginning of Maori Language Week. Our staff will be using everyday Maori phrases in their classrooms, our Year 9 Te Reo Maori class will run language activities during Tutor Time and we will have daily Maori language competitions. Our Year 12 and 13 students will tramp to Sunrise Hut on Thursday returning Friday. We look forward to meeting our 2021 families at enrolment interview Enrolments for 2021 are now open. Enrolment forms are available on the school website or from the school office. You can also apply on-line. In the coming weeks. Enrolment interviews will take place in September. Sacred Heart College will contact the parent/guardian to organise a suitable time for an enrolment interview. Any queries please call 06 8353761 or email admin@sacredheartnapier.school.nz

God Bless, Maria Neville-Foster (Principal)



Garden Working Bee Sunday 13th September
TIME



Please join us to beautify and clear our Urupa where our Mission Sisters rest.

The initial Working Bee will be to clear the area, then it will be planted as a low-maintenance garden where our students can have a quiet area.

Trailers provided, please bring your own garden tools, gloves, etc.

St. John's College

Last week we had three teams involved in tournament week. Our Senior basketball team won their tournament, the 1st XI hockey team were placed 4th (out of 14 teams) and the 1st XI football 7th (out of 12 teams).

This week, on Friday, we began our College exams. This year these exams are more important than ever given that there is no guarantee that we will have external exams at the end of the year, and the results from these exams will then be have to be relied upon for a derived grade. We ask that you keep our young men in your prayers as they study for these exams.

ENROLMENT INFORMATION:

If you would like your son to attend St. John's College as a Year 9 student in 2021 please phone the office to make an Enrolment Interview with the Principal.

The College have a number of Scholarships available. For more information phone the office – 878 6853 Conor Bolton (DRS)

The 'Catholic Parish of Hastings' APP is an excellent tool for keeping up to date with what's happening in our Parish, especially with changes happening. You will be alerted to any notifications relating to the Diocese.

Go to the Play store and install the App to be informed.

If you wish to receive your newsletter via email: Contact the parish office by emailing: admin@hastings.parish.nz.

NOTICES FOR THE NEWSLETTER To ensure a space is available, notices for the newsletter need to be submitted by Wednesday lunchtime. Thank you

SCHOOL PREFERENCES

For all school preferences, requiring
Parish Priest signature, an appointment is
required. Please contact the Parish office
to arrange a suitable time. Baptism
certificates, also, need to be sighted.
Thank you.

Prayer line OLOL is operating well but would welcome new participants If you think this Ministry suits you, please contact Margaret Armstrong 877775



Wednesday Morning Tea at Sacred Heart Church



between 10.00 am & 11.45 am every Wednesday.

Come and join us for a cuppa and have a good chat.

All welcome! Bring a friend!

S.P.C Church Cleaning for September 2020 - Ave Faka'osi, Luisa Crichton and Tivese Lolohea.

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.

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH? If so....WELCOME!

| Please write your name and contact details in the space below and one of our wonderful staff members will contact you | JU. |
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Name...... Phone Number.....

Please place this slip into the offertory basket