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'

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PARISH TEAM

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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Our Lady of Lourdes

85 Te Mata Rd Havelock North

Sunday Mass 9.30am

<u>Weekday Masses</u> Tues: 9.00am Wed: 9.00am Thurs: 9.30am





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

Weekday Masses

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



Immaculate Conception

Paki Paki

Sunday Mass 8 00am



The Ascension of the Lord **21st** *May 2023*

Reflection for Today

We need to remember that Ascension Day is a feast, not a season. There are fifty days of the Easter Season. That is the reason why the Easter Candle continues to burn during the Mass until the Day of Pentecost. The feast day of the Ascension of the Lord was celebrated in many countries on Thursday; forty days after the resurrection of the Lord. However, it is for the good for the faithful to experience this wonderful feast, therefore, many countries moved this feast to Sunday. What is significant of this feast is the practice of our faith. We proclaim this every Sunday at the Creed "He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father." Jesus cannot stop loving us. He died on the cross for our sake, and even in the Heavenly kingdom, He continues to intercede for us. How wonderful it is for us to know we have Jesus always at our side.

The words of the angel in the first reading today are a good reminder to us about our tasks "Men of Galilee, why are you staring at the sky?" We recite at the Our Father "Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven". This is a call for us to live our earthly life with participation of the heavenly will. Indeed, it is great when we can lift our hearts and minds to heaven in our daily life. However, we also need to remember that each one of us has been born in this world for a reason. We have a mission to fulfil, as Jesus demands of his disciples in the gospel today "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of Spirit." We have been asked to bring Jesus to others. It is not an easy task in a secular world. However, we need to remember that we are never alone in our mission as Jesus said: "Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the world."

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: PENTECOST SUNDAY

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Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23;

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

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

RECONCILIATION: SH - Friday 11.00am, Saturday 9.00am 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

Bishop of Auckland Stephen Lowe is the new President of the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference



The Bishop of Auckland, Stephen Lowe, is the new President of the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference, the national body for the bishops of Aotearoa NZ. Bishop of Dunedin Michael Dooley is the new Vice President. Archbishop of Wellington Paul Martin SM is the new General Secretary. The bishops decided on the positions while meeting this week at the Mary MacKillop Centre in Kohimarama, Auckland, in the second of their four standard formal meetings of the year.

A statement about the appointments is available here:

https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/nzcbc/

NZ Catholic Medical Association Retreat & Seminar

The NZ Catholic Medical Association (NZCMA) is an organisation providing pastoral care and chaplaincy for those involved in health care.

We extend an invitation to doctors, nurses, midwives, carers, pharmacists, physiotherapists, psychologists, counsellors, social workers, chaplains, dentists, health administrators, lawyers, and anyone in allied roles to attend the next NZCMA event: Retreat and Seminar 9- 10th June 2023, based at the Home of Compassion, Island Bay, Wellington.

If you would like to register for this event or receive updates for future events, please email newzealandcatholicmedical@gmail.com (NZCMA formation committee).

Chair Pushing for June Chapel Services at Hospital

We the parishioners of the Catholic Parish of Hastings have been invited to help push wheelchair to the Hawke's Bay Hospital during June. These services start at 10.30am at the Hospital Chapel. If you are able to help on any of these Sundays, could you please ring Jill Frizzell 0272467400. The dates are 11th June and 18th June. I look forward to hearing from you.

Rosary for the month of May with Fr Peyton videos, 20minutes before Mass on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at Our Lady of Lourdes.

Combined School Sunday Mass

St Joseph's School and St Mary's School are having a combined Mass to celebrate Pentecost - the birthday of the church. This will be held at the Sacred Heart Church on Sunday, the 28th of May, at 9am. You are very welcome to come and celebrate with us. We are expecting a very full church, so please come early for a seat.

Ministers of Communion to the Sick

We are in need of more ministers of communion to take Holy Communion to our sick or people who are unable to attend Mass. If you would be interest in this ministry, could you please contact Jill Frizzell on 0272467400.

Please note there will be NO Masses from Tuesday 23rd May – Thursday 25th May, as the priests will be away.

St. Vincent De Paul are in need of:

- Shopping bags
- Bric a brac kitchen goods
- Good quality second hand towels, blankets and duvet inners.

Please drop off at the office or the SVDP store.

Feast Days & Events

22nd May - St Rita of Cascia (Optional)

24th May - Our Lady, Help of Christians (Memorial)

25th May - St Bede the Venerable

St Gregory VII

St Mary Magdalene de Pazzi (Memorial)

26th May - St Philip Neri (Memorial)

27th May - St Augustine of Canterbury (Optional)

28th May - Pentecost Sunday

- Schools Combined Mass at 9am, SH church

29th May - Mary, Mother of the Church (Memorial)

31st May - The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Feast)

YOUTH CORNER



Welcome to the Youth Corner

Another HUGE THANK YOU for the guest speaker, Tyson Ataera who spoke about the hope that is found in Jesus.

A reflection from one of the team "Praying in the name of Jesus Christ which transformed him and grant his prayers".

We have been truly blessed to have guest speakers come and speak to our young people. To have our young people listen to other people speak about their life experiences and faith journeys.

Thank you to the family who provided the meal last Sunday for our young people.

If you or someone you know of anyone who would like to sponsor and provide a meal for one of the youth's nights, please get in touch with one of the core team members or contact the parish office.

If there are any teens wanting to be confirmed, we are taking names now and the deadline will be 30th June. Forms can be picked up from the office or contact one of the Youth Core team.

Please continue to pray for our youth core team, our young people, and our priests. Be assured of our prayers for you all.

Thank you, The Youth Core Team.

Pro Life - Can you help us?

We stand at our hospital gates on Friday between 9am-12noon in support of mothers and their unborn babies while abortions are performed in our hospital. Can you spare an hour of your time to witness our pro-life message with us. Please phone Grant 877 5126.

Church cleaners at St Peter Chanel are **urgently required** for one month a year. Please contact the office on (06) 878 7774 if you can assist.

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

St Peter Chanel Church - Children's Liturgy

Leaders/Helpers are urgently needed for Children's Liturgy programme during 10.30am Mass at St Peter Chanel. Training and resources will be provided. Feel free to come and observe a session or two before deciding. Anyone from secondary school age onwards is welcome to join the team.

Please contact the Parish office for further information.

WE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS Recently Deceased:

Simon O'Kane, Stellas Netto, Bede Houlahan,
Betty Koorey, Anthonius (Ton) Ham, Aidan Sargison,
Margaret Koorey-Faulkner (Waiuku), Peter (Chappie)
Steffert, Anna Clelaw (UK), Archbishop Alapati Mata'eliga (Samoa), John Janssen.

Please pray for the Souls of:

Deceased relatives of the Jones and O'Kane families, Alma Stinson A09/04, Shirley Ingram A11/04, Thomas McKenna A13/04, Margaret Broderick A18/04, Colleen Brady A18/04, Mary Moran A24/04, Upu Fatima Murphy Matautia, Mary Pyke A29/04, Walter Hannan A02/05, Timu Lafaele A05/05, Alan Hannan A14/05, Cecilia Barnes A14/05, George Barnes, Lou Jillings A16/05, Joyce Jillings, John Heasley A22/05, George L. Sullivan A23/05.

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, Loyola Mouldey, Peter Dawes, Sue Davis, Raewyn Connors, Chris Lucy, Trish Sharp, Jo Ramsay, 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, Fiona Millar, Doug Begley, Sue David, Margaret Sanders, Maureen Horsefield, Gavin Noonan.

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.

FROM THE NZCBC

2023 NZ Catholic Directory now published.

The 2023 print edition of the ever-popular NZ Catholic Directory has been published and is being distributed now through diocesan offices, parishes and to people who preordered a copy. The spiral-bound print edition costs \$37 (including postage and GST). The online edition costs \$22 (GST inclusive) for 12 months' access for each subscriber. Details and how to get your own copy: https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/2023directory/





Recently our student leaders attended the National Young Leaders Day at Toitoi. The events of the day include motivational talks from great New Zealand leaders, question times, videos, music, and interactive activities. All those that went had a great time. On Friday 12 May 4 students from our school took part in the Intermediate and Secondary Schools Chess Tournament. All our boys did themselves, their whanau, and our school proud by being great chess players, showing fair play and good sportsmanship. May 28 will be a Full School Mass at Sacred Heart Church.

Aaron O'Neill (Principal)

Sacred Heart College

Some of our year 12 and 13's will head along to the NZ Careers Expo on Tuesday 23rd May at Pettigrew Arena, it's also open to the public if you're planning your next career move, from 5.00pm – 7.00pm Wednesday 24th May is our school cross country, lets pray for some fine weather! The SHC Hearts programme ran again this week for year 8 students from our feeder schools, preparing them for life at SHC next year. Our year 12/13's has the "Loves-Me-Not" programme on Thursday 25th May, facilitated by our local police and SHC pastoral team, promoting healthy relationships and preventing abusive behaviour.

Nga mihi, Maria Neville-Foster (Principal)

HOURS OF MERCY 2023

The Jesus Youth movement is initiating 50 days of Eucharistic Adoration, "Hours of Mercy" across New Zealand from Easter till Pentecost.

Date: - April 10 to May 28, 2023

Time: - 8am to 8pm (on all Monday's in Hastings)

Venue: - Sacred Heart Church, Hastings

PRAYER INTENTIONS

- 1. We pray for the intention of the Holy Father and for the Church.
- 2. We pray for the bishops, priests, religious, and lay faithful within the Catholic Church in New Zealand.
- 3. We pray for all who are affected by natural calamities in New Zealand and all around the world.
- 4. We pray for all young people to experience the love of Christ in their life and keep their faith in Him.
- 5. We pray for all missionaries across the world, may the Lord strengthen them and make all their work fruitful.
- 6. We pray for those discerning a vocation to the priesthood and religious life, that the Lord may bless them with the light of His love.
- 7. We pray for all married couples, that they may always be sustained in their love by the grace of the sacraments.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"We take for granted the things that we should be giving thanks for." Sacred Heart College Napier, College Chaplain Start Date: 29 May 2023 Permanent, Part-time, 15 hours per week (term time only)



This is an exciting opportunity to sustain and nurture the Catholic Character and spiritual growth of students and staff at Sacred Heart College.

The College Chaplain would work with both the parish and school. Applicants will be committed to living their faith in a vibrant way and will be responsible for coordinating and encouraging the growth of young people's faith and participation in the life and mission of the Church.

Please apply with a CV and two referees to The Principal's Secretary to: pr.sec@shcn.school.nz.

Applications close Friday May 19th 2023

Manawatū

Focus on Faith and Politics - Housing

Listen to Guest Speaker Cam Jenkins (Manawatu Tenants' Union) and the General Election candidates speak in response, followed by Q & A session.

Date: Sunday 28 May Time: 7:15pm – 9:15pm

Venue: Te Rau Aroha / Catholic Diocese Centre, 33 Amesbury Street, 4410

Please register your attendance & the number attending with reception@pndiocese.org.nz

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

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