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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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

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

22nd November 2020

Reflection for Today

Every year, on this feast, I find myself bumping up against the cultural and religious concepts of what it means to be a king. I think this is inevitable when we consider how the life and person of Jesus Christ can be contrasted with that of King Herod the Great and the Roman emperors of the period especially Nero and Caligula. When Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925, which was three years after the seizure of power in Italy by the dictator Mussolini, the Catholic Church was besieged by many challenges in the Soviet Union, Mexico and throughout Europe on account of political extremism and dictatorships. The Pope asked the faithful to make a reality of Christ's reign in every aspect of their lives. It is not enough to go to Mass on Sundays and then carry on as if Christ did not exist. A conscious effort to invite Christ to rule every aspect of our hearts and lives is necessary if we are to resist the present day challenges to Christian values and worship. This means listening to Pope Francis, as well as the New Zealand Conference of Bishops, and seeking to implement prayer, charity and good works as an integral part of our daily lives. We cannot plead ignorance. It is not as if having heard today's gospel readings that we are unaware of what we need to do to serve Christ: "And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.' " (Mathew 25: 40)

Fr Marcus Francis



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 8am

PARISH TEAM

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

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Hospital Chaplain: Deidre Russ ph. 878 8109,1, ext. 2718

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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: 1st Sunday of Advent

Is 63:16-17.64:1,3-8; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mt 13:33-37;

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. Friday, 11am at Sacred Heart church.

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.

HOSPITAL SINGING: 2nd 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

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR 2021

All children wishing to receive First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in 2021 need to register before the end of this year. The new programme in 2021 will involve parents and children coming to Sacred Heart church on Sundays during Lent and Easter. It is designed to better dovetail with the school curriculum and the liturgical seasons as well as improve the faith experience of the whole family. Children who are not baptised can register and participate in the programme as they will be baptised on Easter Sunday 2021. Please contact the Parish Office or DRS's at St Mary's and St Joseph's to register. Parishioners who know of families who would want to be involved but do not have children at Catholic schools are encouraged to notify them of this requirement.

<u>Bishop Owen Dolan Silver Jubilee of Episcopal Ordination</u> (10/12/95 - 10/12/20)

Everyone is invited to a celebration of the Silver Jubilee of Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Owen Dolan. Jubilee Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral of The Holy Spirit, Palmerston North, on Thursday December 10th at 12.05pm. Luncheon to follow in the Diocesan rooms, all welcome. No RSVP required.

Monsignor Brian Walsh, Local Administrator, Diocese of Palmerston North.

Friday 27th November – Sunday 29th November 2020

ADVENT RETREAT with Rex Begley and Fr. Donald Hornsey SSC – time to reflect on what's happened to You, our Church our World since last Christmas.

Magnificat Retreat Centre, Cross Creek Rd, Featherston

Cost \$190.00. Registration required

Contact: rexandtheresabegley@gmail.com Phone: 027 545 6808 OR 027 967 2299

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

COVID 19 – UPDATE

Mass Times under Alert Level One

We have now resumed our usual Mass times, without limitation on numbers. They are as follows:

5.30pm Vigil SPC

Sunday:

8am PP

9.30am OLOL

9.30am SH

10am SPC

5.30pm SH

With the advent of daylight saving and warmer weather the Mass time for Saturday morning at Sacred Heart church will change to 8am on October 10. Reconciliation is available both before and after Mass. In April of 2021 when daylight saving comes to an end the Mass time will return to 9am.

DIOCESAN UPDATE

All parishioners, parish staff, clergy, pastoral leaders, finance committee and parish council members are invited to attend the **Diocese of Palmerston North '2020 Update'**. Four sessions are being held around the Diocese in November to provide an update about the current areas of focus for diocesan staff, the status of the diocesan property portfolio and of schools and finances and where our mission is calling us into the future. Short presentations delivered by the newly appointed General Manager, Liam Greer along with Diocesan Accountant, Mary Sutton and Pastoral Coordinator, Isabella McCafferty.

'St. Mary's, Taradale': Monday 23rd November, 5:00pm - 6:00pm

REMINDER

I would like to remind all parishioners, especially those who do not have their children or grandchildren at Catholic schools, that it is necessary to register NOW for the sacramental preparation for 1st Reconciliation and 1st Holy Communion in 2021. We will have a new way of doing things involving families coming to the 9am Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart followed by refreshments in the Mission Centre with catechesis for children and small groups for adults to follow for approximately 30 minutes. This programme is for all families in the parish and begins on the First Sunday of Lent, 21 February 2021. Those children who do not register are at risk of having to postpone these sacraments until 2022.

Fr Marcus Francis

The Ecumenical Blessing of the Advent Wreaths

will take place at Our Lady of Lourdes church at 7pm on Thursday 26th November. All are very welcome to attend and begin an Advent journey of spiritual preparation for Christmas.



YOUTH CORNER

Mabuhay everyone. I hope that you are all excited in preparing ourselves for the coming of our Lord, as Advent arrives soon.

Our major Youth Fund Raiser will be held on the 12th December which will be a Christmas Concert. There will be different Cultural performances, soloists, food stalls, youth dramas, carols and raffles. A donation, on entry, would be appreciated. If you can donate items for our raffle prizes, please drop them into the Parish Office. Check out the poster at the back of all churches and Facebook too.

This fundraiser is to help take our young people to Youth Bay Camp between 8th – 10th January 2021. If you have a 13-17 years old son/ daughter, this will be an opportunity for them to attend an amazing formation event. There are few more places available and this week is the deadline for registration. Details are on those posters too.

Youth Mass: Sunday 6th December OLOL, 9:30a.m

Youth Night: Fridays during school term, 6-8pm, Mission Centre.

Youth Concert: 12th December, Sacred Heart Church, 7-9pm.

Youth Bay Camp: 8th - 10th January 2022

Thank you so much for all your support in different ways. God Bless.



Christmas Choir
A very big welcome to all Parishioners to join our Christmas Choir at
Our Lady of Lourdes. We practise each Wednesday evening from
November 25th – December 23rd at 5.30pm. We have an interesting
programme. Hoping to see you there. Regards, Moira – 877 0437.

Communion to the sick

We are in a process of updating our register of those who take communion to the sick in the Hastings District. If you are one of these ministers, please contact the Parish Office.

Musicians and Cantors Urgently Required

If you can play an instrument (any instrument), or know of somebody who would be willing to play at Mass, please contact the office on 878 7774.

Christmas Advent Service at St Columba's Church

The women of St Columba's Church Havelock North invite the women of Our Lady of Lourdes to a Christmas Advent Service at St Columba's, cnr Napier road & Columba Way, Havelock North.

Wednesday 9 December at 10 am. 10 am: Light finger food morning tea

11 am: Advent Service

RSVP to St Columba's Church office for catering purposes by Friday 4 December, 877 8096.

There will be a collection for a Christmas appeal for Hastings Foodbank.

WE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS Recently Deceased:

Martin Taylor (Kathy Kavanagh's brother), Bruce Morrison, Claire Lambert, Johanna Kamp, Matthew Reidy, John Plummer, Irene Anderson, Lucy Hawkes, Lawrence ('Snow') Lavery, Judy Brocklehurst, Patrick Spurdle, Pauline King, Teuatabo Toaia, Nicola Green, Doug Matthews.

Please pray for the Souls of:

Annie Gibbs 30/10, John McGrath 29/09, Catherine (Kitty) McGrath 6/10, Michael Broderick 18/10, Joan Pedersen 20/09.Mick Carr 22/09. Deceased members of the O'Farrell and Jonas family, Beryl Parker A 7/10, Walter Parker, Anna Forbes, Tai Cullinane A 19/10, Naurua Luaseta A 31/10, Noreen Laracy A 18/10, Sean Pollard A 7/11, Carrem Koorey (A Oct,), George Barnes (A Oct), Cecilia Barnes, Lewis Caldwell, David Martin 5/11, Reuben & Nancy Lange and their departed siblings, William, Pattie, David and Peter O'Keefe, Fr Pat Cooke A 15/11, Doris and Walter White.

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, Jan Campbell, Sue Davis, Bronwynne Thorp, Ian Sandral, Gerardene Turfrey, Mark Lissington, Chris McHardy, Sally Wilson, Raewyn Connors, Chris Lucy, Trish Sharp, Jo Ramsay, Graham Hill (London), John Janssen, Mark Rice, Richard Murray.

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.

A special "THANK YOU" to St. Vincent de Paul, Havelock North for hosting the Anointing Mass and pre-Christmas afternoon tea last Thursday. Also, to Fr. Marcus and Fr. Anthony who celebrated the Mass. It was a lovely opportunity to participate in the sacraments, plus have the added treat of afternoon tea and catchup with fellow parishioners afterwards.

OLOL Anointing Mass

Special thanks to all our helpers and those who supplied food for making our Anointing Mass such a great success. The occasion was enjoyed by all who attended. and your efforts are appreciated.

Des Kavanagh, on behalf of OLOL St Vincent de Paul



St. Mary's Primary School

Our children have been practising hard for our athletics day and enjoyed cupcakes that had been made by the St John's College boys and iced by our Young Vinnies. These were sold for \$2.00 each to raise money for Starship Hospital. St Mary's welcome the parishioners to our Nativity Play on Wednesday 25th November at 6pm. God Bless.

Rachael Quinney DRS

St. Joseph's Primary School

Staff are busy preparing Reports for their classes. Cupcake Sale on Friday (Room 4) to raise funds for Child Cancer. Our Helpers Morning Tea for all those wonderful people who have supported our school will be held on Thursday 10 December. Cricket, softball and basketball are going well. Our cricketers played a very close game against St. Mary's during the week. Well done to all involved!

Aaron O'Neill Principal

Sacred HeartCollege

Our Year 10 students head off to camp on Thursday and Friday to the Tuki Tuki Christian Camp. We have a Teacher Only day on Wednesday as our staff prepare for upcoming changes to NCEA. Our Year 9 students will spend some time this week in Resilience Workshop. NCEA exams continue this week.

Nga mihi Maria Neville-Foster Principal Sacred Heart College

St. John's College

NCEA exams started this week. The school is a different place with the senior students gone, but surprisingly not that more quiet. St Mary's and St Joseph's had a cricket match at St John's on Tuesday – the Hastings Ashes.

For most of the week the year 9 and 10 students were involved with Brain Wave, PAT testing and on Thursday and Friday groups of Year 9 students were out on the historical trip which connects students with our Catholic and Marist roots in Hawkes Bay. Conor Bolton (DRS)

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Gifting Trees

The time has come once again to shift our Christmas trees from storage to the foyers of our parish churches. The gifting trees will be available from Sunday 22nd of November until Sunday the 13th of December. Please mark your gifts with the age group you have bought for. The categories are:

Girls Babies Boys Babies

Girls 1-12, teenage girls Boys 1-12, teenage boys

We thank you once again for your generosity.

St Vincent de Paul Combined Council.

National March for Life.

You are invited to love them both by attending the fourth annual NATIONAL March for Life in Wellington on Saturday 5 December. Join pro-life Kiwis from all over NZ in a family-friendly celebration of life which also peacefully protests the practice and legality of abortion. Gather at Civic Square from 1pm for family-friendly entertainment, sausage sizzle and pro-life stalls. March to Parliament Grounds begins at 2pm. Concludes at 4pm. Learn more about this important event at a critical moment in NZ's history: www.marchforlife.nz

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



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!

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.

For the latest updates and news join up to 'The Catholic Parish of Hastings Facebook' page.

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If you are unsure how to go about joining our Facebook page or to our APP, please contact one of the ladies in the office, as they would be more than happy to help you do this.

Christmas cards are now on sale at St Peter Chanel church, 10am Mass. \$3 for a pack of 5.

St Vincent de Paul Shops

The Hastings and Flaxmere Shops are in desperate need of any donations of towels for our customers. If any parishioners have any to donate that would be greatly appreciated. Thank you all for your continued support of our two local shops. Judith Goninon.