

## 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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## 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** 9am - Mass  
**Thurs** 9.30am  
**Fri** 9am - Exposition  
10am-Liturgy  
**Sat** 9am - Liturgy



**Immaculate Conception**

Paki Paki

**Sunday Mass**  
8am

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

26th September 2021

## Reflection for Today

We are living in a culture where people are afraid to mention their sins. We sometimes even soften it, within ourselves, thinking that other people commit greater sins compared to us. However, in the gospel today, Jesus reminds us that even small sins matter. It can ruin our lives. What Jesus said in the gospel today seems very hard. We all know that we are not perfect. On the journey of our earthly life, we make mistakes, committing sins against God, our brothers and sisters and lose our dignity. We need to take care, because Jesus said in the Gospel, that hell does exist, and we need to avoid it. Even get rid of some apparent unalienable things: *without hands* (cf. Mk 9,43), *without feet* (cf. Mk 9,45), *without eyes* (cf. Mk 9,47). *Because that is the place 'where the worms that eat them never die, and the fire never goes out'* (Mk 9:48). We must have the strong desire to enter the Kingdom of God, even if we must go without an essential part of ourselves.

We are attached to different things in our lives and sometimes put God aside. We have 168 hours per week. For all the blessings that we receive from the Lord during the week, can we not even spend one hour on Sunday for the Lord? We tend to have a lot of excuses to not come to church. We are busy taking children to sports, doing the garden, or even doing charity work. These things are good things, but can we not find an hour to come to church to thank God for all the grace He has given to us? At Mass, we also receive the power from Him through His Words and His Body and Blood to overcome all the challenges in our lives. As we reflect on the gospel today, we can ask ourselves "what is the priority of our life and our faith?"

Fr. Trung Nguyen



**St. Peter Chanel**  
817 Gordon Rd.  
Hastings

**Vigil Sat:**  
5.30pm  
**Sunday Mass**  
10.30am

**Weekday Mass**  
**Tues** - 5.30pm  
**Thurs** - 5.30pm



**Sacred Heart**  
425 Heretaunga  
St East, Hastings

**Sunday Mass**  
9.00am  
5.30pm

**Weekday Masses**

**Wed** - 12.05pm  
**Fri** - 12.05pm  
**Sat** 8.30am

## PARISH TEAM

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Marcus Francis (On leave)  
**Assistant Priest:** Fr. Trung Nguyen ph.0220626726  
**Parish Secretary:** Steph Levy 0226317045  
**Hospital Chaplain:** Deidre Russ ph. 878 8109,1, ext. 2718  
**Passionist Family Co-Ordinators:** Graeme & Margaret Armstrong ph. 8777758

**Parish Administrator:** Fr. Anthony Htun ph. 0273373356  
**Deacon:** Tevita Faka'osi ph. 0272757086  
**Finance & Property Administrator:** Jean-Ann Ferguson 0272448126  
**Youth Ministry:** Faaki Tuanaki ph. 0211644218

**Readings for Next Sunday: Year B:**  
**27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**Gen 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16;**

**YOUR PARTICIPATION IS WELCOME...**

**ADORATION: Madonna** Tuesdays 9am—1pm  
**LOL** Fridays 9am  
**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.  
**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: 160 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  
**RECONCILIATION: SH** - Friday 11.30am , Saturday 8.30am  
**SPC** - Saturday 5pm **OR** by appointment  
**ROSARY: LOL** - Thursdays 9.10am  
**SH** - Saturday 8am  
**SUNDAY READINGS 4 U: SH** room off day chapel. Tuesdays 10 –11am  
**VOCATION HOLY HOUR: 1st Friday** of the month 7-8pm at SPC  
**YOUNG ADULTS: Mission Centre.** 1st & 3rd Sunday after 5.30pm Mass

**ADULTS BECOMING CATHOLIC**

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)



An **enquiry evening** will be held on Tuesday 28th September, 7 p.m. at **St. Peter Chanel Hall, 817 Gordon Road, Hastings.** (Please note **change in venue**). If you or someone you know may be interested, please come along. To register your interest contact Lee Russell 876 7385 or 021 560071 or the Parish office 878 7774.

**St Joseph's Branch 172 Hastings.**

The next Branch meeting of the Hibernian Society will be held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm at Clubs Hastings.

**PFG 30th Birthday Celebratory Mass and Luncheon**

Due to our churches being closed and the uncertainty that the latest covid outbreak has caused, the anniversary celebrations to be held 31 October have been cancelled. Anyone that paid money using internet banking should phone Norma 06 650 1679 so a refund to be arranged.

Please follow our Parish social media platforms like Facebook, Website, and the APP regarding to the re-opening of the churches.

**Health & Safety Section:-**

Please refer to noticeboards in each church

**TO ALL VOLUNTEERS— SAFEGUARDING**

It is a requirement of the National Office for Professional Standards for all volunteers in our Parish to complete a Volunteer agreement form and Code of Conduct form. Thank you to those who have completed and returned their forms. If you have not done so please collect personalised forms from the foyers of the church, or the Parish office, and ensure both the Agreement form and the Code of Conduct form is signed. If you are involved with children/elderly/vulnerable please fully complete the police vetting form as well, and provide a copy of your driver's license or passport. Return to Parish office/ locked post boxes A.S.A.P. Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any queries concerning this procedure please contact Matthew Balm, Safeguarding Officer, Diocese of Palmerston North ph. 06 3541780

**March for Life**

Sponsored bus to March for Life (includes a sponsored Subway lunch in Wellington)

**Date: Saturday 4th December 2021**

Leaves St Patrick's, Napier at 7.30am, calling into St Peter Chanel, Hastings around 7.45am. Arrives at the Civic Square, Wellington around 12-12.30, depending on traffic. From 1pm there are stalls and entertainment. We march from the Civic Square to Parliament at 2pm, where there are a variety of speakers.

Return bus departs Parliament at 4pm, arriving at about 8.30pm. Contact Kelly and Luana Durston on 0221660908 or [kellydurston@hotmail.com](mailto:kellydurston@hotmail.com)

34 of the 53 available seats are already taken, so get in quick to show your support for our unborn brothers and sisters. Thank you very much to our generous sponsor.

**Catholic Parish of Hastings Church App**

We now have a mobile app for communicating important Parish messages. To download the App, go to the App Store on your Apple or Android device and search 'ChurchAppsNZ' to download the app onto your device. Then search "The Catholic Parish of Hastings".

Should you have any queries, or require any assistance, please call by the Parish office, or phone the office on 878 7774.

**Winter Ailments**

It is that time of year again when colds and flu bugs are rife. At Mass please be mindful of your choices which could affect others.

Thank you for your consideration. Keep warm and well .



**The online booking system is now available. If the system is needed again for future weekends, it will turn on again at midday on Tuesday and closes at 1pm on Friday.**  
**[www.pndiocese.org.nz/mass-booking](http://www.pndiocese.org.nz/mass-booking).**



## YOUTH CORNER

Tālofa and happy Tuvaluan Language Week to all our Pasifika families who will celebrate this special week here in Aotearoa. We are blessed to have Mass again and during this alert level restrictions, youth gathering will wait for next term with our hope that we are well protected and safe from this pandemic. We continue to accompany our young people in different ways as well as our prayers for those who found this time very challenging for them to cope.

Our fundraising for youth camps still on the way and we are asking for any donation towards our Christmas Raffle. Thanks a lot, to those who had offered jobs for our young ones to help them attend camp.

We wish all senior students all the best with their practice exams. May you all remember to rely in the Holy Spirit with His guidance.

Faaki Tuanaki  
Youth Minister



### 2021 SUZANNE AUBERT CELEBRATION SUNDAY MASS WITH CARDINAL JOHN.

Link attached for further information: [https://  
www.suzanneaubert.co.nz/celebration-sunday-2021/](https://www.suzanneaubert.co.nz/celebration-sunday-2021/)

**The resources for Support Life Sunday on 10 October are now available online** for downloading. The theme this year is "Supporting and honouring health carers." It acknowledges the work of health carers, including family carers and health professionals, who are on the front line in supporting and protecting life. The resources can be downloaded from here: [https://  
www.catholic.org.nz/resources/support-life-sunday-2021/](https://www.catholic.org.nz/resources/support-life-sunday-2021/) The resources include an Introductory letter, Liturgical Materials for use in prayer, a PowerPoint presentation and a plus stories. Support Life Sunday (formerly Respect Life Sunday) is an important annual event promoted by the bishops. The resources have been prepared by and for the bishops' Nathaniel Centre for Bioethics.



**Wednesday Morning Tea  
at Sacred Heart Church  
All welcome! Bring a friend!  
10am—11.45am**



#### NOTICES FOR THE NEWSLETTER

To ensure a space is available, notices for the newsletter need to be submitted by **Wednesday lunchtime.**

### WE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS Recently Deceased:

Shirley Kelly, Patricia Forde, Jack van Bohemen,  
Turia Ngauora, Yvonne Rabbitte,  
Gerardene Turfey, Tom Kebble.



#### Please pray for the Souls of:

Douglas Blake A 28/07, Terry Lynn, Brien, Tucker, McAuley families, Martin Taylor A 2/8, Owen Knight A 30/8, Brian O'Connor A 26/8, Anna Cornelius A 25/8, Patrick McGrath (Pat) A 21/8, Rita Spring A 19/8, Marg Kerrisk A 22/9, Paul Oliver 26/9, Jim Thompson A 7/9.

#### 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, Lindell Collier, Zoe Le Lievre, Margaret Roberts, Des Sutton, Loyola Mouldy, Staveley Tankersley, Vincenza Ercolano, Peter Dawes, Sue Davis, Bronwynne Thorp, Ian Sandral, Mark Lissington, Sally Wilson, Raewyn Connors, Chris Lucy, Trish Sharp, Jo Ramsay, Graham Hill (London), John Janssen, Mark Rice, Iona Nilsson, Noreen Pakinga (Laracy), Lauretta Pall, Annette Brunton, Tony Brunton, Bob Barber, Robert McIntyre, Keith Billington, Teresa Griffin, Ararepa Riki, Denny Hona, Krystyna Fennessy, Tiffany Wong, Mary Hamilton, Jan Skinners, Maree McCracken, Terry Longley, Anthony Allen Ron, Livia Bairstow, Fr. David Gledhill, Elaine Campbell, Jaimee Gregory.

**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.

### Support Life Sunday

Respect Life Sunday will be renamed Support Life Sunday from this year, to better reflect the active work Catholics must do to help people facing significant life decisions. Bishop Steve Lowe, Secretary of the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference, says the term "respect life" can seem passive. "Support Life reminds us that we are all called to both uphold the dignity of all life and be active in the practical work needed to support people facing significant life decisions." **Support Life Sunday is Sunday 10 October**, with the theme "Honouring and Supporting Health Carers." Full details: [www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/  
respect-life-sunday-now-support-life-sunday/](https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/respect-life-sunday-now-support-life-sunday/)

#### If you wish to receive your newsletter via email:

Contact the parish office on 8787774 or email  
[admin@hastings.parish.nz](mailto:admin@hastings.parish.nz)

## St. Joseph's Primary School

It has been wonderful to see all the children back at school in Level 2. Thank you all for your patience and understanding as we operate under Level 2 conditions. Great excitement at school on Tuesday where St. Joseph's Toru - Year 7/8 team challenged the teachers to an end of season netball game. We are very proud of all the players and observed the netball skills that have developed this year. Catholic Schools Day 29 September - this will be a special day which will include a morning liturgy, reflection, and fun activities for every class. Aaron O'Neill (Principal)

## Sacred Heart College

Our Year 9 Religious Education classes have been learning about the liturgical seasons and have been designing spaces depicting these seasons in our Mission Centre. On Friday staff will spend the day on retreat. Joy Cowley will be joining us in the old library at The Mission for the day. The theme of the retreat is "Dancing in the Dark," which takes us through the three stages of spiritual growth. Benchmark exams are over, thank you for all your prayers. These exams allow our girls to be in the best position for academic achievement as they look toward NZQA end of year exams. Enrolments are still open for our Catholic families. Please call the school office on 835 3761 for more information.

Nga mihi

Maria Neville-Foster (Principal)

## St. John's College

Winter sport has all but finished. Our 1<sup>st</sup> XV rugby played a final on Wednesday and 1<sup>st</sup> XI football had their last game on Thursday. Our senior students are studying hard as they prepare for and complete their practice exams and final internal assessments. Please keep our young men in your prayers as they complete important assessments after having to also deal with being in lockdown for over two weeks. **ENROLMENT INFORMATION:** Enrolments are open. Please phone the College to make an enrolment interview with our Principal, Rob Ferreira. Ph 878 6853. **SCHOLARSHIPS – Yr 9 – 2022:** We have several Scholarships available for Year 9 – 2022 students. The information is on our webpage or available through the office. Scholarships close on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September. We also have **ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS – The Yr 8 boys** will sit a Maths and English Exam. These take place on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August at 4pm**. Please phone the office if your son would like to sit the exam.

Conor Bolton (DRS)



**SACRED HEART COLLEGE**

Te Kāreti o Ngākau Tapu | Hearts and Minds in Harmony

**Sacred Heart College, Napier  
College Chaplain**

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

**Hours are negotiable**

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.

Apply with a CV and two referees to The Principals Secretary,

[pr.sec@sacredheartnapier.school.nz](mailto:pr.sec@sacredheartnapier.school.nz)

Applications close Thursday 7 October

[www.sacredheartnapier.school.nz](http://www.sacredheartnapier.school.nz)

## Planned Giving Envelopes

The envelopes will be delivered to the churches this week. You can now collect from the churches foyer. Thank you for your contribution.

**S.P.C Church Cleaning for OCTOBER 2021—  
Jasmin Joseph, Manju Mathew, Dona Shilin  
(Indian Community)**

## ***The October 2021 Funding Round for the Diocese of Palmerston North Allocations Group is now open***

Parish groups, agencies and church organisations that provide a helping hand by supporting Families and Social Services are invited to apply for funding from the Catholic Charities Foundation of Palmerston and the Tindall Foundation through the Diocesan Allocations group.

The priority is to fund Catholic and community organisations who are working in areas identified as priorities by the Catholic Charities Foundation of Palmerston North and the Tindall Foundation, and aligned with the diocesan goals.

We are charged with the funding support of groups committed to social, pastoral, charitable and educational needs in the diocese. Applications are judged based on need, resource availability and the fulfilment of set criteria.

Applications are now open and are due on Thursday 30 September 2021. Application forms and more information can be found here: <https://pndiocese.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/Catholic-Charities-Application-form-2020.pdf> or please contact Wendy Silver at [wsilver@pndiocese.org.nz](mailto:wsilver@pndiocese.org.nz) or ph (06) 354 1780 ext 833.