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' **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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PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr. Marcus Francis (On leave) Parish Administrator: Fr. Anthony Htun ph. 0273373356

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Our Lady of Lourdes

85 Te Mata Rd Havelock North

Sunday Mass

9.30am (PR) & 11.00am (NPR)

Weekday Masses

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-temporary)

Weekday Masses

Tues: 5.30pm Thurs: 5.30pm

Sacred Heart

425 Heretaunga St East Hastings

Sunday Masses 9:00am (PR) & 5.30pm (PR)

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

Immaculate Conception

Paki Paki

Sunday Mass 8.00am (PR)



Fourth Sunday of Lent 27th March 2022

Reflection for Today

Today's Gospel celebrates the joy of the prodigal son on his "homecoming" where he discovers his father's forgiving and overflowing love. It is also the story of the rejoicing of a loving and forgiving father who celebrates the return of his prodigal son by throwing a big party in his honour, a banquet celebrating the reconciliation of the son with his father, his family, his community, and his God. At the same time, by presenting a selfrighteous elder brother, the parable invites us to avoid selfrighteousness and self-justification by imitating the repentant younger brother. Let us admit the truth that we are an assembly of sinful people, repentant, and now we are ready to receive God's forgiveness and to experience Jesus' Personal Presence in the Holy Eucharist as our loving and forgiving God.

The messages for us; 1) We need to accept the fact that we are all prodigal children who have squandered our inheritance from our Father. 2) Lent is a time to "pass over," from a world of sin to a world of reconciliation. The story of the prodigal son asks each of us an important question: "Will you accept the Father's forgiveness and partake of the banquet, or will you remain outside?" It is always our choice. 3) We need to accept the loving offer of our Heavenly Father: "All I have is yours". Each Lent offers us sinners a chance to return home with a confession of sins, where we will find our Heavenly Father welcome and open-armed love.

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 A: 5th Sunday of Lent Ezek 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45;

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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

Saint Vincent de Paul Update

- Help is available for needy families isolating with Covid. Please either contact SVDP shop 06 8767511 or your local SVDP member as to how we can help.
- With Winter approaching, help is available for those who require assistance with any of these needs: Electricity costs, firewood supplies, Health demands, a food parcel, or a visit. Please let us know if you, or someone you know, require help.
- Ukraine Appeal. Our New Zealand National SVDP Organization has launched an Appeal to assist those suffering in Ukraine. To donate to this Appeal through our local SVDP groups in Our Lady of Lourdes, Sacred Heart, St Peter Chanel, and Central Hawkes Bay, please use the SVDP shop Account No: 03 0642 0802638 00

Reference: Ukraine. If a receipt is required, please advise the shop of vour details.

- Please continue your Sunday food donations. Baked beans, rice, and pasta are low in supply. We are currently having enough soup.
- Your continued and wonderful support is greatly appreciated.



God's blessings to you all.

SVDP Team



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

CATECHISM

Forgiveness of Sins

Only God forgives sins. Since he is the Son of God. Jesus says of himself, "The Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" and exercises this divine power: "Your sins are forgiven." Further, by virtue of his divine authority he gives this power to men to exercise in his name. Christ has willed that in our prayer and life and action his whole Church should be the sign and instrument of the forgiveness and reconciliation that he acquired for us at the price of his blood. But he entrusted the exercise of the power of absolution to the apostolic ministry which he charged with the "ministry of reconciliation." The apostle is sent out "on behalf of Christ" with "God making his appeal" through him and pleading: "Be reconciled to God." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, Nos. 1441, 1442)

In imparting to his apostles his own power to forgive sins the Lord also gives them the authority to reconcile sinners with the Church. This ecclesial dimension of their task is expressed most notably in Christ's solemn words to Simon Peter: "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." "The office of binding and loosing which was given to Peter was also assigned to the college of the apostles united to its head." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, No. 1444)

Fr. Anthony Htun

National Liturgy Office for Lent Week 4 and World Day of Prayer for Family Life

Friday 25 March is also the World Day of Prayer for Family Life. The National Liturgy Office has produced resources



for this: https://www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/mediareleases/world-day-of-prayer-for-family-life/

The NLO has also produced resources for Lent Week 4: https://www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/ fourth-sunday-of-lent/

The National Liturgy Office has produced the resources for this coming Friday's joining with Pope Francis in a Day of Prayer for Ukraine. The resources are attached as PDF files, or you can download them here:

In PDF format: https://www.catholic.org.nz/assets/Ukraine-NLO-Prayer-resource-for-Friday-25-March-2022.pdf

Full details of the Day of Prayer, from Bishop Steve: https:// www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/praver-ukraine/

YOUTH CORNER

Malo e lelei and welcome to our youth corner. We are very pleased to acknowledge our generous Priests: Fr Marcus, Fr Anthony, and Fr Trung for all their support and prayers for our Youth Ministry. Your advice and guidance had brought us this far during the most challenging time ever that we had been experience in our lives. A heartfelt thanks to the Finance Committee for your support and granting us the opportunity to use Lifeteen Resources for our youth gathering. What a JOY to finally bring this amazing and life changing programme into our Parish.

Our sincere thanks to the Youth Bay Team for being on board to light a new fire in the lives of our young people and parish too. May you continue to rely in the Holy Spirit as we are preparing for this new adventure with Christ.

Thank you so much to our parish staff and to you all for your continuous support in different ways.

Our Lifeteen programme/movement will start next term for 13-17 years old. This will happen on Sundays, and we'll keep you updated closer the time.

God bless, Faaki Tuanaki (Youth Minister)



Committee Meetings this week

We ask that parishioners pray for our committee members especially on the days that they meet to discuss and make decisions for the good of our church.

Liturgy: Wednesday 6th April - 7pm in the Parish Office Finance: Tuesday 12th April - 7pm in the Parish Office

S.P.C Church Cleaning for APRIL 2022 — Ancy Thomas, Jasmin Joseph, Manju Mathew, Dona Shilin (Indian Community).

General Cleaning at Our Lady of Lourdes is on Saturday 2nd April not the 9th as advertised on cleaning roster. Thanks.

"SJC Pasifika Mentor looking for donations of Gym and Weight Training Equipment to use on Saturday mornings. Please get in touch if you do jfost006@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: ifost006@gmail.com

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:

Lewis Caldwell A 10/02 (husband of Trish), Emmanuel George A 06/02, Grace Cullinane A 07/03, Rafael Garay 06/03, Aline Lucy A 23/03, Gwen Jones A 26/03, Deceased members of Jones/O'Kane families.

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, Kathryn Ingram, Mike Timu, Martin Levy, Selani Poe.

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.

ANOINTING MASS 31st March at OLOL.

The 9.30am Holy Mass on Thursday 31st March will include the administration of the sacrament of Anointing during Mass. This is an initiative of the OLOL community. If you wish to attend this Mass, please wear a mask out of respect for the elderly and immune compromised. Vaccine passes are required, and numbers limited to 100.

Reminder for all Ministries

If you are unable to do your ministry on the day you are rostered please find a replacement. When you are not present and have not arranged a replacement it makes it difficult for the coordinators to do their ministry.



St. Joseph's Primary School

Our new classroom block is nearing completion. We are very excited about this project and look forward to seeing our children enjoy their new learning spaces. I would like to acknowledge our Proprietor (The Diocese of Palmerston North) for funding this exciting development. We've had a number of reasons to celebrate recently – St. Joseph's Day activities, Te Awa A Maria, Junior Triathlon, and Peace in Lent – Room 2 got creative and made a PEACE SIGN in their classroom to remind them to be peacemakers in their world. Aaron O'Neill (Principal)

Sacred Heart College

Our focus this week has been on Wellness, particularly our physical wellness. Staff and students played racquet on our newly installed turf, jump jam in the Mission Centre on Thursday and an emphasis on moving more around our site. The Year 13 RDNM Leadership camp has been cancelled due to Covid and instead we look forward to hosting Sr Anne on Thursday. The charism of the RNDM sisters and their implementation of Euphrasies virtues through their leadership will be the main focus.

Nga mihi

Maria Neville-Foster (Principal)

St. John's College

It was good to be back at school this week having spent the majority of last week teaching and learning remotely. The business of school continues with teachers this week finalising term 1 progress reports for all our students. Summer sport is drawing to a close as the days grow shorter, and we head towards Easter which is only three weeks away.

STEAM – We have changed the start date for our STEAM programme to start **Friday 10th June**. This programme is 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.

ENROLMENTS FOR 2023 – We have started enrolment interviews for 2023. If you would like to make an enrolment appointment, please phone the office – 878 6853.

Conor Bolton (DRS)

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.

A rosary beads was found at Sacred Heart church. Please contact the Parish Office if it belongs to you.



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.

If you change your address, email or phone number. Please contact the office so they can amend your details.

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.

Prayers of the Faithful

We need people to help with preparing the prayers for the Prayers of the Faithful. Months not covered are as follows: February, November and December. Resources to help preparing for the prayers are given out, a week in advance of your rostered month. Please contact the office if you can help.

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

Online Sessions (Evening): Women in the Scriptures & Mythology. Part 1: Women of the Old Testament with Kieran Fenn fms. Wednesday, 20 April, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Koha/ Donation. Part 2: Women in the Sistine Chapel with Dr Christopher Longhurst. Friday, 29 April, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Koha/Donation. https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/women-in-the-scriptures-mythology/ For more information and registration: www.studyjoy.nz/extegory/resources/muffin-talk/

Bishops' synod survey

"Pope Francis wants to hear from you!" The bishops are using this direct papal message to invite people – Catholic or not – to take part in a survey for the ongoing international synod on the future direction of the Church. The survey is being advertised on Stuff and in social media such as Facebook, so you might see it pop up. Please share it with friends who may not be reached by your parish/diocesan Synod consultation.

Details including a link to the survey: https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/synod-feedback/