

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 - Mass
Wed 9am - Mass
Thurs 9.30am
Fri 9am - Exposition
10am - Liturgy
Sat 9am - Liturgy



Immaculate Conception

Paki Paki

Sunday Mass
8am

2nd Sunday of Advent

5th December 2021



Reflection for Today



We all know that advent is the time for us to prepare for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. As John the Baptist tell us in the Gospel "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God." (Luke 3:6). The question which we ask ourselves, every year, during this time, is how we can do that. Each one of us have different ways of doing so. There are things in life we do not expect, and we must learn to accept them. We are living in a society with many challenges, even more with the pandemic. There are division in societies, in communities and even in families. We have different opinions towards things that happen in our lives. However, Christ calls us to be united in His loves and mercy and as one family in His Kingdom.

When we know who we are, then we will know what to do. As Catholic, the Church asks us not just to prepare the things outside, but also prepare our souls for Jesus to be born in us. The sacrament of reconciliation is a great way for us to prepare a dwelling place for Christ. Through this sacrament, we make ourselves ready to welcome Jesus into our lives and into our hearts. This is our obligation as the Church tell us "After having reached the age of discretion, each member of the faithful is obliged to confess faithfully, his or her grave sins at least once a year". (Canon 989). This is the time for us to step back and ask ourselves; What is the meaning of lives? What are we waiting for? What can we do to prepare our souls to be a worthy place for Jesus?

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 C:

3rd Sunday of Advent

Zeph 3:14-18; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18;

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.

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: 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
(on hold until Level 1)

RECONCILIATION: SH - Friday 11.30am, Saturday 8.30am
SPC - Saturday 5pm **OR** by appointment
LOL - Wednesday 9.30am

ROSARY: LOL - 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

Mass Times Update!

Next week we will begin our Vaxed Congregation Mass and Unvaxed Congregation Mass. If you select a Vaxed Congregation Mass, please have your vaccine pass ready. If you need assistance with a vaccine pass, please contact the office ph: 878 7774.

Please note there will be a Mass on Wednesday 8th December for the end of the year of St Joseph at 5.30pm St Peter Chanel and 6pm Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Paki Paki.

HEALTH AND SAFETY REFRESHER

Emergency Procedures

Evacuate the premises on the sound of an alarm or when instructed.

Please familiarise yourself with all exits and assembly points.

Assemble at the Assembly point until dismissed by your warden who will be your Priest or Mass Co-ordinator. Accidents and Incidents.

Accidents and incidents are to be reported to Mass Coordinator as soon as possible after they occur and are to be recorded in the Accident/ Incident Log.

First Aid kit available in all churches. The location of kits are marked on church layout plan situated in church foyers.

Health & Safety Section:-

Please refer to noticeboards in each church



How can we Participate?

- Make a start
- Take a Synod Participation Booklet
- Join with others for a conversation
Refer to Participation Booklet P.12 & 17-21
- Send in your response
Refer to Participation Booklet P.13

Have a voice -

Be part of the Synod Journey!

ADVENT WREATH REFLECTION

The Advent Wreath has its origins in early times. During the long dark winters Germanic and Scandinavian peoples lit candles on wreaths often using a wagon wheel and hoped that the turning of the wheel would turn the earth toward the long days of sun and light. The Christian Advent Wreath emerged in the latter part of the 6th century and for us is rich in symbolism. The circle represents our eternal God and his never-ending love for us while the ever-green reminds of the promise of everlasting life. The four candles, three black or purple and one rose coloured mark the four Sundays of Advent. The black or purple candles symbolized, **(1st Sun)** hope; true hope based on the Lord's promise, **(2nd Sun)** preparation and waiting; preparation by prayer, reading the scriptures and giving to those less fortunate while waiting for Christ's coming, **(4th Sun)** love; love of the Lord and love of God people. This love requires courage as we are invited to spiritual surrender and to turn our lives over to God.

The rose Candle is lit on the **3rd Sunday, Gaudete Sunday**, to show joy and rejoicing for Christ's coming is nearby. In times before electricity a candle would be placed in a window to guide family members home and so advent candles also serve as a beacon, the light of Christ guiding us to our true home in Christ.

FOOD FOR FAITH offers brief daily reflections for Advent. Sign up at www.foodforfaith.org.nz

PLANNED GIVING SPECIAL ENVELOPES - If you are paying by direct credit for your planned giving and required a pack of "Special Envelopes", please contact the Parish Office.

YOUTH CORNER

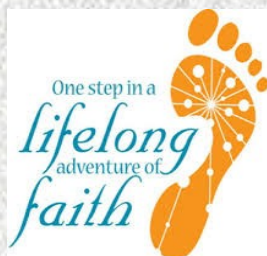
Bula everyone and welcome to our youth corner. We would like to ask your prayers for our camp plans for 2022. We had cancelled our original venue and time due to new Covid framework and restriction.

We now changed our place from El Rancho, Waikanae to Tukituki Christian Camp site, out of Haumoana. The dates are 13-16 January. We appreciate all your support in different ways. Our Christmas Youth Raffle tickets are on sale now and the draw will be on Saturday 18th December. Our sincere thanks to the Krett family for their generous donation as well as Our Lady of Lourdes community for those beautiful items donated.

Saturday 18th December will be our youth end of year break up celebration since we haven't and couldn't have any gathering since lockdown. Our prayers, hearts and thoughts are with those students who still have exams.

Vinaka vakalevu
God bless,

Faaki Tuanaki
Youth Minister



St Vincent de Paul Christmas Gifting trees.

A gifting tree will be placed in the entrance of our 3 churches as from this Sunday 28th Nov till Dec '12th. Tags are on the tree for some guidelines to age groups. Your donations of gifts are so greatly appreciated, and they certainly go a long way to helping bring some cheer to many a face. God Bless to you all for all your kindness.



ADVENT PREPARATION — Adoration and Reconciliation will be held at St. Peter Chanel church between 7pm and 9pm every Friday, commencing 2nd December until 23rd December.

Missing Pyxes.

A number of pyxes from OLOL are missing, notably two with green lids from the communion bag plus others. If anyone has these at home and has forgotten to bring them back to the church after ministries, could they please be returned as they are needed for shared use. Thank you.

Aotearoa New Zealand Bible Diaries 2022

The Bible diary consists of daily prayers, readings, short reflections, Saints of the day and short quotes for the whole year. It is available in New Zealand. Please make an order now with the link below:

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/AlexBailey1>

[AotearoaNewZealandBibleDiaries2022](#) it is a greatest gift for you and for your family and friends in New Year 2022.

Note: For those that do not use electronic devices, please seek assistance from your fellow parishioners or contact Fr Prakash, directly on 022 585 2875.

WE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Recently Deceased:

Terry Longley, Gary Wattie, Joyce Jillings, Janet Frizzell, Moreen Monica Joyce Hoskin, Mary Imelda Taiaroa.



Please pray for the Souls of:

George Barnes A 31/10, David J Martin 5/11, Joan Pedersen, Doris & Walter White, Francis McGrath A 29/11, Doug Matthews and Fr Pat Cooke, Sean Pollard A 7/11, Members of Marist Third Order, Reuben and Nancy Lange and their departed siblings. William, Pattie, David and Peter O'Keefe, Nida Ricafort A15/11, Carrem Koorey, Cecilia Barnes.

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, Margaret Roberts, Des Sutton, Loyola Mouldey, Staveley Tankersley, Vincenza Ercolano, Peter Dawes, Sue Davis, Bronwynne Thorp, Ian Sandral, Mark Lissington, 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, Ararepa Riki, Denny Hona, Krystyna Fennessy, Tiffany Wong, Mary Hamilton, Jan Skinners, Maree McCracken, Anthony Allen Ron, Livia Bairstow, Fr. David Gledhill, Elaine Campbell, Jaimee Gregory, Rawinia Barlow, Catherine Guilford, Eve van Bohemen, Denyse Cornelius, Kristen Hay, Leo Baltussen, Colleen Taylor, Beverley Morley, Malakai Lyford, Natalie & Reg Corbett, Lauretta Ball, Rita Yule, Louise O'Connor, Evelyn Curtin, Xavier Allen.

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.

OLOL MORNING TEA TODAY

Everyone is welcome to attend our first Sunday of the month morning tea after 9.30am Mass this morning.

The Christian Meditation Group (which was established in this parish 10 years ago) continues to meet each Wednesday at 7 pm on zoom during Level 2. If anyone is interested in joining us, please contact Paula 878 3314.

OLOL CHRISTMAS CHOIR

We invite any parishioners to join us, to enjoy the thrill of singing and praise to Jesus at Christmas. 5.30pm each Wednesday. Any enquiries: 877 0437.

St. Joseph's Primary School

As the term comes to an end I would like to thank and acknowledge our staff, students, and our whole school community for coming through another challenging year. It is a pleasure to be part of our special community and I wish each one of you a safe, holy, and happy Christmas break. We extend our deepest sympathy, love, and prayers to the family of Mary Taiaroa. Mary taught at St. Joseph's for many years and was also our DRS during this time and we wish to acknowledge this huge loss to you all.

May God's presence comfort you at this time.

Aaron O'Neill (Principal)

Sacred Heart College

Our academic year culminates with Major Prizegiving and a Thanksgiving Liturgy in our school gym on Friday afternoon. This will be streamed live to parents and families thanks to the kindness of Dunstall's Funeral Home. We thank them for their support of our college. We congratulate our young parishioners who are receiving the sacrament of First Holy Communion over these few weeks. Our prayer tables in each classroom are decorated to reflect Advent as we prepare for the coming of Christ through prayer and reflection. As we approach the Christmas season, I wish everyone a peaceful and safe time with their families.

Nga mihi

Maria Neville-Foster (Principal)

St. John's College

This week our Y9 students went on their historical trips where they learned about the history of the Catholic Church in Hawkes Bay and the part the Marist order played in it. Special mention was also made about Suzanne Aubert and her work. The college held its junior prize giving on Thursday. Because of the covid regulations, we have had to split our prize givings between junior and senior. Again, no parents were able to be present but at least we were able to recognise the wonderful achievements of our young men.

Please keep our senior students in your prayers as they continue with their external examinations.

Conor Bolton (DRS)

2022 COLUMBAN CALENDARS

Columban calendars are available at the Parish Office. \$12 each. No eftpos.



Recycling

A huge thank you to everyone who has brought into Sacred Heart any items for recycling. Year on year, there is a growth in our collections. We appreciate your efforts to gather, clean and sort things. Please continue to use our recycling station, knowing that you are contributing to the ministry of responsibly caring for God's creation. Remember too those soft plastics can be placed in special bins at supermarkets, another way of less rubbish going to the landfill.

Our Lady of Lourdes big clean church and grounds on Saturday 11th December at 9:00am.

Many hands make light work. Come join us.

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

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

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

Online Sessions (Evening):

Nativity Scenes with Beate Matthies. Monday, 06 December, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Koha/Donation. <https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/nativity-scenes/>. Joy at Mass with Prof Thomas O'Loughlin and Kieran Fenn fms. Friday, 17 December, 8-9pm. ZOOM. Koha/Donation. <https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/joy-at-mass/> For more information and registration: www.studyjoy.nz

Muffin Talk Radio Programme recordings and video clips on religion, interfaith and community available at <https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/>

Rite of Election – 13 March 2022 - 9.30am - Cathedral of the Holy Spirit

Please join our Diocese of Palmerston North catechumens as they are called forward for anointing and the signing of the Book of the Elect as they are recognised for their continuing journey towards Full Communion. Hospitality is provided and we look forward to welcoming you on the 13 March 2022.

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

The PARISH OFFICE will be closed, for the Christmas break, from Thursday 23rd December and will re-open on the 5th January.

COLLECTION OF BATTERIES for RECYCLING

Due to Health and Safety regulations we are no longer able to have collection containers left in the church foyers. If you have batteries for recycling, please drop them at the Parish office. Please do not leave them in the foyers.

Christmas Cards are now on sale.

They are packs of 8 for \$5.00 per packet. (These will need to be paid for in cash). It can be purchased from The Hastings Parish Office, the Hastings St Vincent's Shop or contact Joan Thompson 06 876 7265 at St Peter Chanel church.