



**Immaculate  
Conception**  
Paki Paki

**Sunday Mass 8am**



**Our Lady of Lourdes**

85 Te Mata Rd  
Havelock North

**Sunday Mass 8.30am**

**Saturday Mass 9.00am**

**Weekday Masses**

**Mon 9am-Liturgy**

**Tues 9am Wed 9am**

**Thurs 9.30am**

**Fri 10am**



**Sacred Heart**

425 Heretaunga St East  
Hastings

**Sunday Mass 9:30am**

**Weekday Masses**

**Wed 12.05pm**

**Thurs 9.15 am**

**Fri 12.05pm**

**Sat 8am**



**St. Peter Chanel**

817 Gordon Rd. Hastings

**Vigil Sat: 5:30pm**

**Sunday Mass 10am**

**Weekday Masses**

**Tues- 6pm**

**Wed- 9am**

**Fri - Madonna 9.15am**

# The Catholic Parish Of Hastings

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## 17th June 2018

## 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Reflection for Today



Imagine that. The smallest seed becomes the biggest plant.

I've been pondering this parable. I don't pretend to be sure what Jesus is really teaching us. I keep thinking about the smallest seed becoming the biggest plant. Somehow that feels significant.

And Jesus is using the parable to explain the Kingdom of God. Elsewhere he's talked of the Kingdom of God being inside of us. With that in mind, I'm wondering if the seed is the Spirit of Christ planted in us? Silently present, ready to bloom, waiting for us to open to its presence. Meditation is a simple way of doing this. We don't have to use words or even think, we are still and silent, being with God just as we are. Gradually (and, as in the seed's growth in today's Gospel, we don't know how it happens) we open to the love that's constantly available to us and so begin to discover our true essence. Sitting in the presence of God, we leave self behind and become one with God. The smallest seed can indeed become the biggest plant. P.T.

Kia ora tātou

This week I made a face to face submission at parliament. This was a first for me. The topic was David Seymour's Euthanasia or assisted suicide Bill. With me was a young Wellington doctor, Caroline Newson, who works in acute psych medicine. Check out my facebook page to see something of what I presented:  BishopCharlesDrennan  
Euthanasia would be a deeply regressive or backward step for New Zealand. We pride ourselves on being a progressive nation. This Bill points to the opposite. It is a cause for national shame or whakamā.

+ Chelles

**Readings for Next Sunday: Year B:  
The Nativity of St. John the Baptist  
Is49:1-6; Acts13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66,80**

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** Every 1st Sunday of the month at 3pm in Sacred Heart Church Foyer.

**MARIST THIRD ORDER:** Every 1st Sunday of the month at 2pm Catholic Parish of Hastings office

**HOSPITAL SINGING:** 2nd Sunday 6pm (meet main entrance of Hospital)

**MORNING PRAYER :** Monday - Friday 7.40am & 9am Sacred Heart

**BIBLE FOR STARTERS:** 2nd & 4th Tuesday only, 7.30pm SH Office.

**SUNDAY READINGS :** Tuesdays 10 –11am at Sacred Heart

**ROSARY:** Thursday 9.15am Our Lady of Lourdes, Saturday, 7.30am Sacred Heart

**EXPOSITION:** Tuesday 9am-1pm Madonna

Wednesday 8.30am SPC Friday 9am OLOL

**BENEDICTION:** Sunday 4pm Sacred Heart

**RECONCILIATION:** Friday 11.30am SH, Saturday 9.30 OLOL & 5pm SPC (or by appointment)

**CHOIR PRACTICE:** Every Thursday at Sacred Heart 5.30p.m. –6.30 pm. New members welcome.

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP** – every Wednesday at Sacred Heart day chapel, 7 – 8 p.m. All welcome. Enquiries please ring Paula 878 3314.

**PAUSE 2018 ME TŪ.....**

**a vocations retreat for those discerning a call** to the diocesan priesthood or religious life as a Priest, Brother or Sister

**Friday 6 evening to Sunday 8 July afternoon.**

**Magnificat retreat centre in the Wairarapa. Transport provided.**

God is calling me – yeah right? What will my friends and family say?

It's so confusing: diocesan Priests, Orders, Religious, charisms, Brothers, enclosed, apostolic, contemplative Sisters, consecration, habits and not?

Where on earth do I begin? Do I have to be 100% sure? What if I find out it's not me? Join me, Sr Fina, Fr Neil and others for a time of reflection whakaaroaro, prayer karakia, and korero.

Check out more at [www.pndiocese.org.nz](http://www.pndiocese.org.nz). To secure a place email [bishop-pa@pndiocese.org.nz](mailto:bishop-pa@pndiocese.org.nz). All welcome. Also see brochure in your Church.

+ Chelles

**Caritas Emergency Appeal for the Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh**

Since August, 700,000 Rohingya have fled from Myanmar to Bangladesh. Many refugees have settled in a refugee camp in Cox's Bazar. Though the Rohingya are now safe from persecution and being supported by organisations on the ground, they are now faced with the risk of flooding from monsoon rains. Heavy rain and high-winds may destroy shelters, create landslides and pose health risks. Caritas is working with Caritas Bangladesh and others to build retainer walls, stronger shelters and to meet the needs of the Rohingya people. As Pope Francis said, "embrace all those fleeing from war and hunger, or forced by discrimination, persecution, poverty and environmental degradation to leave their homelands." The Rohingya are an example of his message. Caritas invites you to stand in solidarity with the Rohingya by supporting our emergency appeal. Right now, each donation is doubled (up to \$250,000) by the New Zealand Aid Programme. To give call 0800 22 10 22 or go online to [www.caritas.org.nz/donate](http://www.caritas.org.nz/donate).

**FILIPINO MASS -**

First Friday of the month 7pm Sacred Heart

**INDIAN MASS**

Last Saturday of the month starting with Rosary at 8.30am at St Peter Chanel

**TONGAN MASS**

Last Friday of the month 5pm St. Peter Chanel

**NEEDY CHILDREN'S THERMAL UNDERWEAR**

We have children in our parish who come to school cold and go to bed cold. Please help us to put into action our Pope's call to help where we can.

Last Sunday at all our Churches we had a gifting tree for those of you who could help clothe these children. We want to give them thermal underwear.

We've had a wonderful response from some communities including one where all the tags disappeared and we had to tell a few people just to buy any size thermal!

If you missed out last week, then do take a tag from our gifting tree today. This tag will specify the age of a child for whom you will buy 1 or more thermals. We request merino for children up to the age of 8. Older children can cope with polyviscose which is cheaper, but this is your choice.

Please return the clothes to the box under the tree next Sunday.

The Warehouse has excellent thermals and is our main partner. Last month, we were able to purchase a large number of thermals with funds from the Diocese and some parishioners. The Warehouse gave us generous discounts. However their stocks are getting low. Posties has thermals at the same price.

With grateful thanks for your help. The families are so thankful. We also thank the young Vinnies at St Mary's who made us the trees.

Last week the Pastoral Council enthusiastically endorsed this project. *Hastings Parish Environmental and Social Justice Group*

**St. John's College Old Boys** Old boys are invited to attend the A.G.M. of the association on July 27<sup>th</sup> at the college, starting 5.30 p.m. This is an important meeting. Please make an effort to attend.

**Day of Prayer for Refugees and Migrants  
17<sup>th</sup> June 2018.**

Our wagons were filled with precious diamonds this weekend. The DL locomotive (Eucharist) powered the way. Coupling behind were 5 wagons from the Parish schools, St. Johns and Sacred Heart, who participated at Peter Chanel. Still coupled in another wagon were 40 high school students from our pastoral area, including our confirmation candidates on retreat. Their engine was stoked with plenty of fuel provided by mother and dad engine. BUT WAIT there is more; Percy, the small engine from Thomas the tanks workshop, appears each week at children's liturgy at Lady of Lourdes and Peter Chanel, and Sacred Heart...there's no graffiti on this wagon, just smiles and laughter, creating and making and learning about the chief driver God.

Confirmation is just around the corner, so they would like your help in joining their ride as they prepare to go through the spirals, tight tunnels, tight curves, twists and turns, and the different gauges of student life. In our faith, our fleet horsepower and wagon and carriages vary. We pray that they stay connected and coupled to our locomotive the Catholic church and God as our head. Finally, we are not mere passengers on this journey, we are the guards and the maintenance crews. We are sometimes not acknowledged but we are essential, always trying, with the fuel of prayer to guide and protect our precious diamonds.

Fr. Brian



#### FEEDBACK FROM PARISH RETREAT TEAM.

Nicola McCarthy wrote:

Juliet (Kojis) and I greatly enjoyed giving the retreat to the Parish of Hastings. God is indeed alive and active in the hearts of the retreatants. We were very encouraged to experience everyone's willingness to enter the retreat so generously. Below is a flavour of the insights shared by the retreatants: New ways of seeing, being, feeling, recognising God, new ways of praying - not just saying prayers

Journey from head to heart and what heart feels like  
 Connection between everything. What we do affects everything.  
 Awakening, if you take the time  
 Affirmed on the right track  
 Seeing God as Helper  
 Moved to tears with vision of Jesus  
 Awareness of God in creation, in others, in other settings, eg work  
 God's love more real. God is in my everyday life.

We in turn felt greatly blessed in taking part in the retreat.

#### The Catholic Institute Adult Education Understanding the Old Testament SC 501

Palmerston North 9-11 July: PN Diocesan Centre

Taranaki 16-18 July: St Pius X School NP

Whanganui 1-3 October: venue TBA

For enrolment forms or further information – contact

**Rosalie Connors** [r.connors@tci.ac.nz](mailto:r.connors@tci.ac.nz) or 06 354 1780ext 830



## Youth Corner

Greetings to you all our fellow parishioners and any visitors!  
 On Friday last week, our Confirmation candidates and leaders were blessed to have an opportunity to visit Brittany House as part of their social service to the community. It was amazing to see how happy the residents were to meet the group. We joined them in singing, dancing, chatting and also dinner.

Last Sunday the group were away on their retreat over at St. Thomas More. It was another successful event and thank you so much to our priests, parents, leaders and everyone for your continuous help and support.

#### PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUPS

'A Family for All'

A meeting will be held, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June, 7 p.m. at the Parish office, for all leaders and other members who would like to attend. This meeting is really important for all groups as we need to know what each group is doing in our communities at this time. Norma, from Napier, will head this meeting as she is our overall Hawkes Bay representative, along with two original coordinators, Lyn and Rob Hill. Please make sure someone from your group attends.

Thank you  
 Annette



#### Working Bee –9am at SPC, Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

Time for a clean-up! We would appreciate if you could bring along a bucket and some rags. We will be focusing on cleaning the Community Centre and inside the church. Many hands make light work!



#### Booties project update

Currently we have 6837 pairs nationally. I have another 100 to send this week. Thank you to the person who left nearly half of those on my car. We have permission to set up our display outside Parliament in late July. So we still need some more new, preloved or baby socks. I now have a pattern for sewn booties and I'll leave a few patterns at the office and at OLOL and SPC. We have all of June to get those booties made. The new abortion figures will be out in June.

Jenny Voice for life ph.0274393437

#### St Bernadette's Family Group - Bike Ride and Afternoon tea at Milk n Honey, Ahuriri—Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June.

Bike Riders meet at 1.30pm @ Cool Cat carpark in Ahuriri to then ride along Marine Parade, or you can meet us for afternoon tea: 2.45pm @ Milk n Honey

If the weather wet – the alternative is to meet at Birdwoods Gallery after OLOL Mass @ 10am that same Sunday. If you would like more details, please contact Sarah Carran ph. 877 2245. All welcome.

#### St Vincent de Paul Society – St Peter Chanel Conference

Monthly meeting Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June 7.30pm Community Centre. All welcome.

## St. Mary's Primary School -

With much fanfare at School Assembly last week, I announced that Father Brian was coming on Thursday, with cake, for the First Communicants. Unfortunately most of the school only heard the words 'Father Brian' and 'cake'. The First Communicants thoroughly enjoyed their celebration of chocolate cake with grossly coloured icing that left them feeling very special and hypo for the rest of the day! Well done Father Brian!!

God bless, Teresa Neilson D.R.S. Look for us on Facebook. **'St Mary's Catholic Primary School Hastings'**

## St. Joseph's Primary School - Week 7

Our Senior Students are full steam ahead learning their dance steps in preparation for the Senior social to be held on 5 July. Junior classes are also hard at work practising dance moves for their Medieval Banquet on the 28<sup>th</sup> June. BOT meeting 21<sup>st</sup> June 5.30pm. Reports went home on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June and Parent Interviews will take place on 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> June. Hui Fono (Maori and Pasifika Communities Consultation ) Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 6.00pm in the School Hall. Raffle Tickets have gone home this week – one sheet per family. All money raised will go towards extra sports equipment for the school. Winter Sport is well underway- Netball, Basketball, Ripa Rugby and Barefoot 7's.

## St. John's College-

This week the school hosted 108 young men from Hawkes Bay primary and Intermediate schools for the "Taste of St John's Day". This is a day where potential students get the opportunity to experience a few of the things that St John's College has to offer. A more important event, in the eyes of senior students any way, was the combined school ball (with Sacred Heart College) which was held at the Old Church in Meanee. A wonderful evening was had by all.

## Sacred Heart College-

The combined Sacred Heart and St John's School Ball will be held this weekend, Saturday 16 June at The Old Church. A venue many of you will have fond memories of, as it was the Parish Church of St Mary's for many years before it's deconsecration in the early 1970's. Next week we have a focus on Wellness. **Wellness** is an active process of becoming aware of and making choices toward a healthy and fulfilling life. **Wellness** is more than being free from illness, it is a dynamic process of change and growth. We also have a mufti day on Wednesday to raise awareness and money for Caritas and their work with refugees.

### WE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

**Recently Deceased:** Judy Thompson, Keith Satchwell, Daniel D'Esposito, Patrick Doyle (Napier), Kieran Hodgins, Raymond Shine. Aldrich Wong Ping Hooi (Malaysia) 6/5, Kelly Elizabeth Jensen, Jenny Jonas (nee Hutchins) Olga Unverricht, Rita Montaperto, Angela Whiting, Sister Christina (Otila)

**Please pray for the Souls of:** Cecilia Barnes A14/5, Mary Pyke 29/04, Thomas J Broderick 31/05, John Heasley 22/05, Reuben and Nancy Lange and their departed siblings. William, Pattie, David and Peter O'Keefe, Bill Logan, Juanita Garcia, Andres Galapon, John A Sullivan, Dulcie O'Boyle A 15/6

**Please keep in your prayers those in our parish and communities who are sick especially:** Casey Gair (Ivy Roberts grandson), Vi Bond, Ron Bell, Colleen Setter, Kristen Hay, Greg and Paul Sloane, Joan Corlet, Leo Baltussen, Colleen Taylor, Janice Campbell, Beverley Morley, Moyra Mooney, Zoe Le Lievre (Edgecumbe), Joan Addis, Latai Tuanaki, Jack van Bohemen, Anne Thomson, Aubynne Phillips (Australia), Kerry McInnes (Bernadette Avison's niece), Gail Sutton, Toni Molloy, Sr. Marlene Dunn,

**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, in the newsletter. We thank you for your support.**

**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.

**SUNDAY HOSPITAL BED PUSHING** If you can assist with bed/wheelchair pushing on a Sunday during June, between the hours of 9.45am and 11.30am please contact Jill Frizzell on 0272467400 to advise your availability. Thank you!

### NOTICES FOR THE NEWSLETTER

To ensure a space is available, notices for the newsletter need to be submitted by **WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME**. Thank you.



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