

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

14th April 2024

Third Sunday of Easter

Issue 316

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; First John 2:1-5a; Luke 24: 35-48

#### MASS TIME Sunday Mass

MOTUEKA

Sunday 9.30am

**RICHMOND** 

Sunday 9.30am

WAKEFIELD

Vigil Mass 5pm, 2nd Sat each month

WAIMEA WEST

Vigil Mass 5pm, 4th Sat each month

#### **TAKAKA**

Sunday 5pm,1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> each month 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of month at 9.30am Service of the Word with Communion

#### **Weekdays Mass**

#### **MOTUEKA**

Tuesday 9.30am
Friday, 9am Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament, 9.15am Rosary
Friday, 9.30am Liturgy of the Word

#### **RICHMOND**

Wednesday and Friday, 9.30am Reconciliation after Mass or by Appointment

# **CONTACT Priests**

Fr Michael Bellizzi - Parish Priest parishpriestolob@gmail.com Fr Jaya Yenubari - Assistant Priest littlejpraveen@gmail.com

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# Third Sunday of Easter 'You must tell everything that has happened.'

As a teacher of Religious Education in a Catholic school I have often heard the question asked of students: "What would Jesus do?" Because our curriculum is focussed on the life and times of Jesus, this is a valid question. It is good to imagine Jesus in our midst, living and walking with us, and we wonder what he would say or do in the various circumstances he might find us in.

Jesus showed himself to the disciples after the resurrection so that they could believe the good news that he was really alive again. In Luke 24:35 -48 The disciples from Emmaus knew Jesus was the Lord when he broke the bread, then later said "May God give you peace!" Jesus went on to explain the scriptures which said "The Messiah must suffer, then three days later he will rise from death. They also say that all people of every nation must be told in my name to turn to God, in order to be forgiven. So beginning in Jerusalem, you must tell everything that has happened".

It is interesting in this instance that Jesus said 'beginning in Jerusalem, you must tell everything that has happened'. This is like a reality check to ensure that the facts are passed on accurately, one step at a time, and one place at a time. Maybe it's because the concept of Jesus coming back and then rising again is such a lot to grasp that it is important to begin slowly and tell everything that happened one bit at a time, and record it!

Christ is present among the disciples again until he finally returns to the Father. Luke's story is of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem to the cross and resurrection. Acts is the story of the Gospel spreading from Jerusalem to 'all the nations.' What a model for the task we have been given, to go out to all the nations and spread the good news of Jesus.

The power of the risen Christ that was absorbed by the disciples, filled them and drove them out into the world is the same for us. We gain strength and courage from Him and we are compelled to reach out to others. Jesus rose from the dead to bring peace and forgiveness to others. When we do that we show that Jesus is here with us. We are invited to be witnesses to our faith. And for those who seek forgiveness Peter preaches "now change your lives....be forgiven."

Markelle Ward - DRS - Garin College [Adapted from the Liturgy Centre, Auckland]

#### **OUR LADY OF THE BAYS**



POPE FRANCIS HAS DECLARED 2025 AS A YEAR OF JUBILEE WITH THE THEME "PILGRIMS OF HOPE"

"The forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire; that is why I have chosen as the motto of the Jubilee, Pilgrims of Hope."

Pope Francis

The 2025 Year of Jubilee will give voice to Pope Francis' desire to foster a greater sense of global sisterhood and brotherhood, solidarity with the poor, and caring for the environment. Preparations are underway. All parishes are encouraged to become involved in this Jubilee Year. The 2024 focus for the People of God is on prayer and study. In 2025 the focus shifts to the People of God making a Pilgrimage of Hope. The NZCBC has created an informative webpage. Please visit the website <a href="https://www.catholic.org.nz/about-us/jubilee-year-2025/">https://www.catholic.org.nz/about-us/jubilee-year-2025/</a> to find out more information and watch this space for opportunities to become involved in Jubilee 2025.



#### The Fifth Gospel Project

Fr John O'Connor's Food For Faith forum is collecting and collating for publication stories of personal experience of God.

Please share this invitation and send an experience (up to 400 words) before the end of April to john@fff.org.nz.

More information on this mission is available at <a href="https://foodforfaith.org.nz/2024/03/telling-the-story/">https://foodforfaith.org.nz/2024/03/telling-the-story/</a>

#### **OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP**

# An invitation from your NELSON DOVE FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN

Open to all women to come and watch an inspiring video about the Holy Spirit and be refreshed

Saturday 13th April, 1pm

35 William St Richmond. Parish Hall room

"Be Joyful, Pray & Be Thankful in all Circumstances" is our theme



#### ANZAC Day 2024

Anzac Day will be commemorated with a Mass at 9.30am on Thursday, 25 April in both the Richmond and Motueka Churches

A big thank you from Fr Jaya to the entire parish community for taking part in thanking the Lord with him on his anniversary. Thanks to various teams for their contributions. A Special thanks to Adrienne, Karen, Chris Abdul, Marcella, Sieni, Samoan Community, Jeph and Smitha for making it solemn.

#### **Planned Giving**

For those parishoners who generously put cash on the plate each Sunday, you are welcome to join the planned giving at any time. The benefit is that the parish can then record your donations and give you a tax receipt for them. This entitles you to claim 33% of your donations back. It's quick and easy to join. Please contact Gerard Cronin (finance@parish.org.nz) for more information

#### **Mother Prayers Meeting**

We are a small group who pray for families especially our own. We meet on the third Thursday of each month at 10.30am.

NEW VENUE - Our next meeting will be in the PARISH CENTRE this Thursday  $18^{th}$  April. For more information please ph Kath 970 6754 / 027 4523 948 or Elizabeth 544 5188 / 027 5451 818

#### **CONTEMPLATIVE MORNING**

Friday 26th April 9.30am to 12.30pm

Facilitator : Karen Moynagh
Theme : Let your Soul Unfurl
See flyer at end of newsletter

There are quite a few items in lost property box They will be on the seat outside for 9.30 mass Please look and claim what is yours.

If still there at end of April they go to Op shop. Samsung Travel Adapter found in the hall over Easter, please call in the office



#### ST PETER AND PAUL, WAIMEA WEST



There will be a working bee at Waimeha (west) cemetery and grounds on Saturday, 20 April at 9am -12.30pm, the week before the Waimeha Mass. Please bring all gardening tools, we'll be doing a variety of things...

Morning tea the highlight as ever....Can those wonderful people who bring the table, the crockery, the urn, do so as per usual. I will bring tea, coffee, milk and sugar..

If wet, we might have to postpone but I will send out a notice to that effect.

#### ST PETER CHANEL, MOTUEKA

#### LEADERSHIP GROUP

The Leadership group has the job of managing our Church, St Peter Chanel. Duties range from property maintenance to buying candles, and overseeing all the ministries and activities that are constantly happening.

You will remember we once had a Parish Pastoral Council, and a Parish Finance Committee.

With Amalgamation, the PPC became the Leadership Group, and a Finance Committee representative became part of Our Lady of the Bays Finance Committee. There was originally a Pastoral Council attached to Our Lady of the Bays, to co-ordinate the 5 churches. but this quietly disappeared several years ago.

The result is that all of the Churches of the Parish are going their own way, under the supervision of Fr Michael, our Parish Priest. This means we need to have a strong and vibrant Leadership group that truly represents our spread out and varied community. While the older Parishioners are well represented at present, with much wisdom and experience, we have no one of working age, no one currently parenting, and no one who has English as their second language in the Leadership Group. As these are the demographics that will be left in 20 years or less, then now would be a good time to begin benefiting from their input.

There are some big discussions ahead. Obviously with Motueka and Richmond both having a 9.30am Sunday mass, and no vigil mass, that will not work if we should end up having only one Priest available. The current issues with the leaky Portico roof, and the new alarm systems, are going to be expensive, but we have no control over any money, as there is only 'one pot' for Our Lady of the Bays Parish.

So if you have an hour a month, and an interest or skills in property, finance, music, or any other facet of Parish administration, but mostly a decent amount of common sense, then please talk to Jim Maguire, or Fr Michael, about joining our Leadership Group.

#### LEADERSHIP GROUP MEETING

This Wednesday, 10 April 2024, at 5-15 pm in the Church Foyer. All welcome! Come along and see what happens, and air your concerns or opinions about the way our Parish is run.

#### PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember those in our Parish coping with illness, including Joan Curtain and Peter Goodman. Please also remember those having to cope with bad news on the medical front, whether for themselves or for family members.

#### ST PETER CHANEL SCHOOL

#### **Community Prayer**

Today, as pilgrims in search of hope, we cling to you, Risen Jesus. We turn our backs on death and open our hearts to you, for you are Life itself. It is only right, with all the powers of our heart and mind, to praise You Father and Your Only-Begotten Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

#### Congratulations - Sporting Achievements

Haris Mytton for his success in being selected for the Top of the South Primary / Intermediate Motor Cross Challenge – he came second overall. Excellent result Haris – you are a Motor Cross Master! Makea Paaka for being selected for the Motueka Buckets Basketball team. It is great to see our students doing so well with their sporting endeavours.

#### Waka Hourua Festival - Kaiteriteri

Room Rangimarie students attended the Te Hau Kōmaru National Waka Hourua Festival at Kaiteriteri last Monday. They learnt from master craftsman about the construction, sailing and navigation of these extraordinary craft.

#### **Culture Celebration Day**

Wednesday was our first Cultural Celebration Day, where we gathered as a community to share aspects of the different cultures that now make up our school whānau. The program included presentations, artefacts, games and art and craft from the different countries that make up our school community: Māori, Pakeha (including Scots / British / Irish / Welsh) Indian, Filipino, Korean, Japanese, German, Singaporean and French.

#### **END OF TERM**

As our School children and Teachers finish Term 1 this week, lets wish them all a restful and happy break. TERM 2 BEGINS APRIL 29<sup>th</sup> - Remember to wear your winter uniform!

#### **St Peter Chanel Parish Directory**

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Parish Priest	Chose a Priest option, and leave a message	03 528 899
Parish Leadership Group	Jim Maguire – Chairman	027 223 9766
St Peter Chanel School	Margaret Campbell- McCauley	03 528 7366
St Vincent De Paul	Cherie McKinstry	021 466 554
Home Commun- ion/Greeters/ cleaning	Elaine Taggart	021 256 294
Home Visit	Cherie McKinstry	021 466 554
Ride to Church	Susan Collins	021 293 4912
Prayers for the Sick/of the Faith- ful	Fran Peacey	022 664 7362
Morning Tea	Robyn O'Gorman	021 602 82
Music	Hemon Dey	021 170 2682
Readers	Vickie Cameron	027 437 3885
Eucharistic Minister	Mary Devine	027 466 1060
Lawns	John Farrelly	03 528 9063
Children's Liturgy	Eric Buenz	022 513 5791
Newsletter	John Leydon— spcmot@gmail.com	03 540 2543

Minister	14/4/24	21/04/2024
Greeter	M&N Orchiston	E Taggart T Hall
Morning Tea	N Orchiston	C & E Buenz
Music	Hemon & Katie	Scott Cameron
Prayers Faithful	F Peacey	Jim Maguire
Readers	S Collins & V Dugdale	S&V Cameron
Eucharistic	M Lucas & A Lane	K O'Gorman J Maguire
Cleaning	J Reid & E Taggart	
Lawns	Mike Carr	Paul Hay

### **Contemplative Prayer Morning**

Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024 9.30am to 12.30 pm at



34 Champion Road

Facilitator : Karen Moynagh



Theme: Let your soul unfurl

Cost: \$10 Morning tea provided

**Registration: Contact Ilene Allan** 

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# A Mass For Healing

with Fr. John Rea

Wednesday 17th April 7pm St. Francis Catholic Church Stoke



Fr John Rea SM

Contact person: Willie: 0274625983