

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

16th Jun 2024

I Ith Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 17:22-24; Second Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34

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, Ist & 3rd each month 2nd 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

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"The Parable of Sower and Seed"

The parable of the sower is a powerful reminder that our spiritual growth is not just about individual effort but also about being part of a community that supports and encourages each other. By reflecting on this parable, we can identify areas for growth, seek community and support, and apply practical applications to nurture our spiritual journey. Remember that God is always working everything out for our good, even when we don't understand what's happening.

Imagine being a farmer who scatters seeds on the ground, not knowing when or how they will grow. You water and nurture the soil, but ultimately, you can't control the outcome. One day, you notice that the seeds have sprouted and are growing, despite your lack of knowledge. You realize that you didn't do it alone – the soil, the sun, and the rain all played a role in the growth. This experience teaches us to trust in the unknown and to recognize that God is working in ways beyond our understanding.

I couldn't help but think about my own spiritual journey. Like the farmer scattering seeds on the ground, I've often felt like I'm planting seeds of faith and trust in God's sovereignty, not knowing how or when they will grow. There have been times when I've felt like I'm not in control, and uncertainty has crept in. But as I reflect on this passage, I'm reminded that God is working in ways beyond my understanding. The seed that needs water and sunlight to grow is a powerful reminder of the need for patience and trust in God's provision. I'm challenged to trust more deeply in God's sovereignty and to recognize that my growth is not just about individual effort, but also about being part of a larger community.

We are urged to recognise the significance of community and relationships in our spiritual growth. Just as farmers rely on others for planting and harvesting, we, too, need the support and encouragement of others in our faith journey. Whether it's through prayer, worship, or simply lending a listening ear, our spiritual growth is a mysterious process that necessitates humility and God's provision. It's not just about our individual efforts or achievements, but also about being a part of a larger community and receiving nourishment from others.

May we cultivate a sense of dependence on God and His Word, recognizing that true growth comes from listening to Him and being open to His guidance.

Blessings Emilio Capin Seminarian Issue 324

OUR LADY OF THE BAYS

'Belonging in this land: Treaty basics from a Christian perspective' is an opportunity for faith communities to explore the story of the Treaty of Waitangi over two 90-minute video sessions. The <u>trailer</u> is available to watch and to share, and the full resource is available for registered hosts. It features author of Huia Come Home and Dean of Taranaki Cathedral Jay Ruka and former Anglican Archbishop David Moxon to help us understand our history and what role the Treaty plays in our faith and daily life today. Churches and small groups can sign up to host at <u>treatyandbelonging.nz</u>. This series has been endorsed by the Archdiocesan Bicultural Relationships Committee of the Ecology, Justice and Peace Commission.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITY IN THE ARCHDIOCESE- (See image attached at last page)

- Are you looking for an opportunity to dig deeper into your faith, and to learn how to share it with others?
- Would you like to know more about Church teaching, and what it means for us today?
- Do you want to serve in your parish community, but feel you lack the formation and training?
- JOIN US on an exciting, new formation journey that offers personal faith formation and equips you for ministry and service.
- CALLED & EQUIPPED is a new archdiocesan Adult Formation Programme starting in February 2025.
- If you think this could be you, talk to your parish leadership team or Parish Council.

Contact Lucienne Hensel at <u>l.hensel@wn.catholic.org.nz</u> for details. We look forward to hearing from you!

To enlighten us and deepen our faith, the Holy Family Parish is offering the "Lectio: Eucharist with Dr. Brant Pitre". This is a 10-week course of reflection and discussion, every Monday, 7-8.30pm at St Mary, the Parish meeting Hall Manuka Street Nelson. It consists of a video presentation followed by small group discussion. This commenced on 10 June. We invite you to join us. For Transport, Greg can take 2 people 027 473 9115

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ARE YOU MAKING AN EFFORT FOR OUR EARTH? SOFT PLASTIC RECYCLING??

It is surprising how much soft plastic comes into our homes. Hang up a bag in your kitchen and put soft plastic in it then take to Woolworths or Warehouse Bins. Support a Blenheim industry turning your trash into fence posts. PLEASE GIVE IT A GO.

Income & Expenditure Summary YTD to 31 May 2024			
10031 May	YTD	YTD	
	May 2024	May 2023	
Income			
Collection Income	\$29,762	\$31,492	
Distributions from EA O'Connor Trust	\$5,000	\$28,344	
Other Income	\$15,412	\$12,136	
Total Income	\$50,174	\$71,972	
Expenses			
Support of Clergy	\$12,793	\$12,360	
ADW Levies	\$4,718	\$4,902	
Repairs & Maintenance	\$3,217	\$31,037	
Travel & Vehicle Expenses	\$6,517	\$6,301	
Parish Expenses	\$27,251	\$22,804	
Total Expenses	\$54,496	\$77,404	
Net Operating (Deficit) / Surplus	(\$4,322)	(\$5,432)	

The parish incurred a net operating deficit for the two month period ended 31 May 2024 of \$4,322 (slightly smaller than the deficit for the same period last year of \$5,432).

Total income and Total Expenses are both higher last year as this included the cost of painting of the church in Wakefield of \$22,160 and recovery of that cost from the EA O'Connor Trust.

Planned Giving

For those parishioners 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

"Liturgy Workshop" (Leaflet on the last page) "What do we Believe", Friday, 12 July at 7pm "Liturgy of the Word", Saturday 13 July at 10.30am



Local schools in Nelson are competing to win \$15K of muchneeded sports gear, and your vote can make a difference! 1st Prize \$10,000, 2nd Prize \$3,000 and 3rd Prize \$2,000 of sports gear.

Please spread the word to grandparents, neighbours, friends, work colleagues - anyone who shops at the Mall!

(Kmart/The Warehouse/Couplands are not in the competition only Shops within the mall - including the ones that face onto Queen St)

Here's how you can help:

- 1. **Shop at Richmond Mall**: Shop at any store in Richmond Mall between June 10th and July 22nd.
- 2. **Submit Your Receipt**: Drop your receipt into the entry box marked with your chosen school's logo. Entry boxes are located opposite Whitcoulls.
- 3. Need Your Receipt? No Problem!: If you need to keep your receipt, the information desk can make a stamped copy for you.
- 4. We will have **boxes at Saint Pauls School** also to put receipts in if you forget to put it into the Saint Paul's box at the Mall.
- 5. All receipts count, and there's no minimum spend required! To ensure Fairness, the total receipt values will be divided by the student roll of each school.With 13 schools of varying sizes competing, every vote is crucial—whether you're part of a school's whānau or not!

Both workshops will be presented by Fr Patrick Bridgeman, Liturgy Advisor for the Archdiocese in the Richmond Church Hall, 35 William Street. These workshops are for everyone so please put these dates into your diary now.

Two more workshops, "Liturgy of the Eucharist" and "Its impact on our lives" will be presented on the 18th and 19th October. For more information please contact Maria Archer at <u>mhca53@xtra.co.nz</u> or 027 642 1953

Sunday 16 June will be our monthly Family Mass with our young people leading the way. Please contact Karla, Lucy or Kathryn if you would like your child to be a part of this. All are welcome! Please bring a plate to share for morning tea afterwards.

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SEVENTH HEAVEN FAMILY GROUP HOUSIE

Sunday 23rd June at Parish Centre 2.00pm Please bring a couple of small gifts for prizes. Small plate for afternoon tea

MOTHERS PRAYERS - We are a small group who pray for families, especially our own. We meet on the third Thursday of the month at 10.30am in the Parish Centre. Our next meeting will be this Thursday, 20th June. For more information please phone Kath 027 4523 948 / 970 6754 or Elizabeth 027 545 1818 / 544 5188

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION on Monday evening at 7.30 pm in the Hall. We welcome anyone who would like to join us in this quiet prayer of the heart. We gather, listen to a teaching, a song and then sit for 20 minutes silently meditating using our sacred word. We welcome anyone who would like to join us in this prayer of the heart. Come and See. Any queries to Karen 027 245 7800

MONTHLY MORNING TEA

is on this week **19th June 10.15 to 11.30am** in the hall. Karen Moynagh will speak on the topic of **Aging Gracefully** and update you on our new ministry team and what they can offer in working alongside you in our Richmond Community.



Parking at Richmond Church

Now that winter has finally arrived, it will no longer be possible to park your vehicle on the grass beside the Richmond church as it ruins the grass and makes it very muddy. Walking over the grass and into the church is making it even more difficult to clean. We respectfully request that you endeavour to arrive early or find a park on the street. Parking will only be possible on the sealed area. Thank you

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER MORNINGFRIDAY 21st JUNE 9.30am to 12.30pmAt St Barnabas AnglicanChurch, Stoke. Rev David Moynan will speak on Listening. See Flyer at end.

ST PETER CHANEL, MOTUEKA

PARISH LEADERSHIP GROUP

This month's meeting is next Wednesday, June 19th in the Church Foyer, starting at 5-15pm. Come and help keep our Community working for the benefit of all. Jim Maguire is the Chairman, you could also pass on any comments to him on Sunday. SOLOMON ISLANDERS

Another impressive vocal performance by our seasonal workers last Sunday. Thanks again Men!

RIDE TO CHURCH

If you find getting out on these colder Sunday mornings a bit of a challenge, arrange a pick-up to get you to the Church on time! Ring Susan Collins 021 293 4912.

If that has no appeal, but you would like to receive Holy Communion at home, ring Elaine Taggart 021 256 294 NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to you if you have recently arrived in our Parish. There are forms on the table in the foyer so that you can leave your contact details, and show any interest you may have in joining a Parish Ministry. If you are a musician, make yourself known to someone in one of the music groups!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please keep in your prayers the ill, lonely, housebound and those in Hospital, of our families and Community. Especially, Joan Curtain and Liz McNabb.

MORE FREE MONEY

A reminder that if you are eligible for a TDC Rates rebate, you need to apply for it by the end of June.

ST PETER CHANEL SCHOOL

Wheelchair Basketball Experience for Rangimarie

Last week on Wednesday afternoon Room Rangimarie got to experience the sport of Wheelchair Basketball at Motueka Recreation Centre. They met Emma from Sport Tasman who gave them instruction on how to best approach this demanding sport. It was great to try something new and challenging. The kids had a fantastic time.

Interschool Cross Country

Congratulations to our team for their efforts on Friday . Our students placed well amongst the strong competition from much larger schools throughout the Motueka district.

Room Aroha Visit to Motueka Fire Station

As part of their learning about being Fire Safe, Room Aroha were visiting the Motueka Fire Station this week.

Room Rangimarie Visit Woodlands Village

Continuing our community involvement and outreach, Room Rangimarie were to visit Woodlands Village this week to spend time with the elders of our community living there.

Matariki Teaching and Learning

We are beginning to incorporate Matariki into our teaching and learning as we prepare to celebrate the Māori New Year on Friday 28th June. The themes of Matariki are remembrance, celebrating the present ,and looking to the future. These themes align well with many of our Catholic values and customs. In class we are also learning about the Matariki stars, how they were created, about the names and attributes of each star, and how the Matariki stars were used by Māori to guide their practices.

Student Led Conferences This Week

This is a celebration of your child's learning, and a time for them to take a lead role in speaking to their families about what they have achieved so far this year.

Minister	l 6/06/24	23/06/24
Greeter	S & V Cameron	M Kilmartin& D Ogilive
Morning Tea	S & V Cameron	R & K O'Gorman
Music	Scott Cameron	Mary Wilson
Prayers Faithful	Jim Maguire	Judy Kenter
Readers	D Ogilvie & V Dugdale	SPC Students
Eucharistic	M Macquet&H Duncan	S & V Cameron
Cleaning		S & C Collins
Lawns	Paul Hay	Maurice Roche



Liturgy Workshops 2024 The Sunday Eucharist



• What do we believe? 7-9pm on Friday 12 July

- Liturgy of the Word: 10:30am-12:30pm on Saturday 13 July
- Liturgy of the Eucharist: 7-9pm on Friday 18 October
- Its impact in our lives 10:30am-12:30pm on Saturday 19 October

All four sessions will be held at Our Lady of the Bays, Parish Centre 35 William Street, Richmond.



Presenter: Fr Patrick Bridgman

Liturgy Advisor Archdiocese of Wellington

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Nelson Spiritual Growth Group

Invite You to their Monthly Contemplative Prayer Morning

FRIDAY JUNE 21ST 9.30am-12.30pm at

ST BARNABAS ANGLICAN CHURCH, STOKE

Led By

Rev David Moynan

'LISTENING'



"What do you want me to do for you?" Mk.10:51 You will need: Bible, Journal, \$10. Morning Tea Provided

PLEASE RSVP to Ilene @ <u>athlene16@gmail.com</u> OR 021-102-6778 by 5pm Wed,19th June