

# Our Lady of the Valleys Parish



<b>Parish Priest</b>	Father Tony Kearns	
<b>Church</b>	Our Lady of Grace Church, 5 Palmer Crescent, Heretaunga (HTG) St Francis Xavier Church, 152 Stokes Valley Road. Stokes Valley (SV)	
<b>Sunday Eucharist</b>	Sat 5:30 pm Vigil (SV)	8:30 am (SV) and 10:30 am (HTG)
	Tuesday / Thursday	9:30 am (Stokes Valley)
<b>Weekday Eucharist</b>	Wednesday /Saturday	9:00 am (Heretaunga)
	Friday	9:30 am (Heretaunga)
<b>Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</b>	Friday	10:00 am to 6:00 pm (Heretaunga) [term time]
<b>Reconciliation</b>	By appointment with Parish Priest	
<b>Presbytery and Parish Office</b>	5 Palmer Crescent	<b>Tel</b> (04) 972 4282
<b>Parish Administrator</b>	Heretaunga	
<b>Website</b>	Monday – Friday	9:00 am – 1:00 pm
<b>St Brendan's School</b>	<a href="http://www.olv.org.nz">www.olv.org.nz</a>	<b>E-mail</b> <a href="mailto:office@olv.org.nz">office@olv.org.nz</a> <a href="mailto:pp@olv.org.nz">pp@olv.org.nz</a>
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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER READINGS YEAR C 15<sup>th</sup> May 2022

<b>15<sup>th</sup> May</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading Gospel	Acts 14: 21-27 Apocalypse 21: 1-5 John 13: 31-35	
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading Gospel	Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29 Apocalypse 21: 1-14, 22-23 John 14: 23-29	



### LIVE-STREAM OF MASS THIS SUNDAY

If you are unable to attend Mass at Our Lady of the Valleys a **LIVE-STREAMED MASS** is available from

9:00 am	Diocese of Hamilton	<a href="http://www.cdh.org.nz/livestream">www.cdh.org.nz/livestream</a>
9:30 am	Our Lady of Kapiti Church	<a href="http://www.kapiti-catholic.org.nz/">www.kapiti-catholic.org.nz/</a>
2:00 pm	Diocese of Auckland (via ShineTV)	Sky Ch 201 Free-to-Air Ch 25

Wed May 18 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am	Anointing Mass at the Pettit Centre
Thur May 19 <sup>th</sup>	01.30 pm	Anointing Mass at Stokeswood Rest Home, SV
Thur May 19 <sup>th</sup>	07.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting

### **A SPECIAL WELCOME**

- to the Youth Development Unit who are joining us this weekend at the 10:30am Mass at Our Lady of Grace Church Heretaunga

### **COVID-19 DETAILS FOR ALL MASSES FOR SUNDAY – ORANGE SETTINGS**

Under the ORANGE Setting there is no limit of number of people permitted to attend. The Parish Council has decided at this stage while the Omicron virus is still moving through the community, to at this stage retain the current seating arrangements at Masses. They will review this decision next month and advise if there will be any changes based on the COVID-19 settings current at that time

## CIRCLE OF FRIENDSHIP

What a great turnout last Saturday to hear retired policewoman Sonya Sloan from Paraparumu Council advice on keeping ourselves safe from telephone/email scams and tips on keeping safe in public places etc. Lots of sound advice was noted and appreciated by all.

The sharing of folks' excess garden produce was an added bonus, as was the popular book swap table. Toiletry donations for the needy were also gratefully received.

The gold coin entry helps us to cover costs including afternoon teas and token gifts of appreciation for the speakers.



## GARDENING REQUEST

In our raised garden in front of the church it is a struggle to keep the roses healthy, hydrated, and thriving all year round. We are hoping to gradually reduce and replace the roses with dry tolerant succulents.

If any parishioners have some that can be divided up and donated, they would be appreciated and could be left in the church foyer. Enquires to Pauline on 5284881



## PETTIT CENTRE UPDATE

Hooray!!! the roof is on but the guttering is still to be done. The walls and ceiling are covered with



gib. The painting and final electrical work will be completed shortly. Hopefully end of next week we can stay JOB DONE!!

Thanks to those who have already assisted the work by providing donations towards its cost.

*Finance Committee*



## REQUEST FOR HELP!

Lower Hutt Hospital Chaplain has asked for our help with items for "Care Packages" to support patients unexpectedly spending time in hospital. The need is mostly for toiletries, in small sizes, e.g. travel packs. Shortages are...toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, soap, moisturiser, deodorant, combs. They are always grateful for rosary beads and any small notepads and pens. Please call Chris on 5287847 if you have any items you wish to donate.

## SACRED HEART COLLEGE

2023 enrolments now open. Online from Monday 2 May

OPEN MORNINGS – 1 June – Catholic Schools 2 June – All

Welcome

Please visit [sacredheartcollege.school.nz](https://sacredheartcollege.school.nz) under 'Enrolment' to submit an online enrolment or for more information. You can also contact us directly at [enrolments@sacredheartcollege.school.nz](mailto:enrolments@sacredheartcollege.school.nz)





## ST BERNARD'S COLLEGE OPEN DAY

St Bernard's College will be holding an Open Day on Saturday 28 May 2022 from 10:00am until 2:00pm. Prospective students and their parents are invited to visit during these hours to find out more about St Bernard's College and what we can provide. Our new classrooms will be completed by then and open for visitors to view. St Bernard's College is a Year 7-13 Catholic boys' college. For further information please see our website: [www.sbc.school.nz](http://www.sbc.school.nz)

### THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL

Judas leaves and Jesus announces that the moment has come for God's power to be made manifest. This is unexpected at a moment of imminent betrayal. Have there been times for you when the power of God was made manifest in strange circumstances?



'I shall not be with you much longer.' Jesus announces a parting of the ways. There are places we have to go in life where others cannot come with us. There are places others have to go and we cannot accompany them. When have you experienced this going on alone as necessary for a fuller life for yourself, or for someone else?

Jesus proclaims love as the distinguishing characteristic of his followers. Have there been times when reaching out to others has heightened your sense of walking in the footsteps of Jesus?

Who are the individuals or communities whose love for one another and for others has been a witness to you? Perhaps you have seen examples of this during the Covid pandemic, or in the response to the plight of refugees from Ukraine or from other countries in crisis.

### ECOLOGY, JUSTICE AND PEACE

Love of neighbour, grounded in the love of God, is first and foremost a responsibility for each individual member of the faithful, but it is also a responsibility for the entire ecclesial community at every level: from the local community to the particular Church and to the Church universal in its entirety. As a community, the Church must practise love.

Pope Benedict XVI: [Deus Caritas Est](#) (paragraph 20), 2005

### NZ CATHOLIC



Please find below a link to the latest free digital issue

<https://indd.adobe.com/view/a7fa5f65-1699-44e7-9334-9dd35f940bc1>

Headlines for this issue: NZ canon lawyer calls for more laity in Church governance. Dame Lyndsay Freer retires from Church media role. Cardinal Dew quizzed on radio at Easter. Northland author of book on priests suffers devastating property fire.



**GREENSTONE DOORS** is looking for volunteers who can become a Greenstone Aunty. A Greenstone Aunty is a mature mentor who has volunteered to give continuous support to a pregnant and/or first-time mother and her partner. The Aunties will walk alongside and accompany the mothers through pregnancy and into first time motherhood. You must have a heart for women and children and be able to:

- Work with a diverse range of people in a non-judgmental way
- Provide two referees and be police checked
- Attend training sessions

For more information, please email Jennie [office@greenstonedoors.co.nz](mailto:office@greenstonedoors.co.nz)

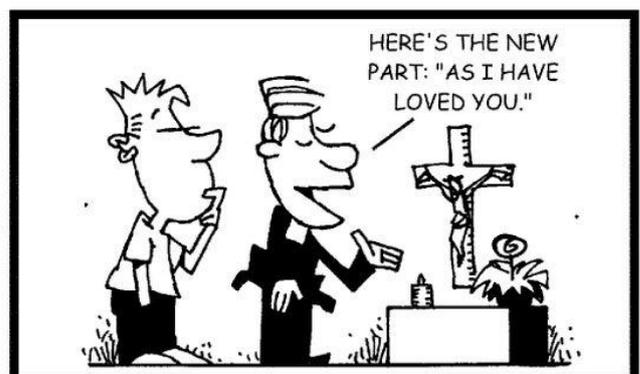
Greenstone Doors holds Tane Talks. This is a men's group that provides a space for men to come along to, where they can feel comfortable and process the challenges men face day to day. Tane Talks is about coming along to a group not only to feel heard but to hear and learn from other men, to get support as well as be supportive as we journey through the challenges of life. A place for men to feel safe and unjudged.

Every Tuesday 7pm-9pm Greenstone Doors, 15 Dudley Street, Lower Hutt  
Every Thursday 7pm-9pm Chanel Family Centre, 1285 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt  
Contact Francis 02108874824 or [incouragecounsellor@gmail.com](mailto:incouragecounsellor@gmail.com)

We remember all who are sick and unwell, those affected by the COVID-19 virus, and those who are lonely. We pray also for those who have died recently including Eileen Black, Anne Lake, Claire Brown, Robert Oliver, Paul O'Leary, and Sr Kathleen Crean DOLC. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur around this time especially Greg Dillon. May they rest in peace.



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



# A PUZZLE FOR YOU

Word Search

## A New Commandment

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." John 13:34

The puzzle is based on John 13:31-35 (NIV).

"Love one another as I have loved you."



C A M L J E W S A R P G O G F  
N Q V N U J K R U G D U E K D  
M B B G J M J J Y M B H L J Q  
C U M C L P Y J X D J L O L N  
N V L H D O N Y F N E G G A N  
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A N F E J I K I P P U R R E Z  
R O J P A S L J F U S D H S D  
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L Y M O X I L K W I O G A O E  
G O E N L P O B H N Z M D V Y  
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S G V G E E K P U O O L Z M P  
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COMMAND	KNOW	DISCIPLES	ANOTHER	GLORIFY
TOLD	JESUS	CHILDREN	JEWS	LITTLE
LOOK	LONGER	MEN	LOVE	GIVE

FOR THE YOUNG ONES

# GROWING

WITH THE *Gospel*

CYCLE C



## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



4th Sunday of Easter • John 10:27-30

**ORATIO IMPERATA**  
**On the threat from Covid19**

God our Father, we come to you in our need  
to ask your protection against COVID19  
that has disturbed and even claimed lives.



We pray that you guide the people  
tasked to find cures for this disease and to stem its transmission.  
Protect the medical experts that they may minister to the sick  
with competence and compassion.

We pray for those afflicted.  
May they be restored to health soon.  
Protect those who care for them.  
Grant eternal rest to those who have died.

Give us the grace in this trying time  
to work for the good of all and to help those in need.  
We implore you to stop the spread of this virus  
and to save us from our fears.

Grant all these through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God forever and ever. Amen.