

# St. Theresa's Parish

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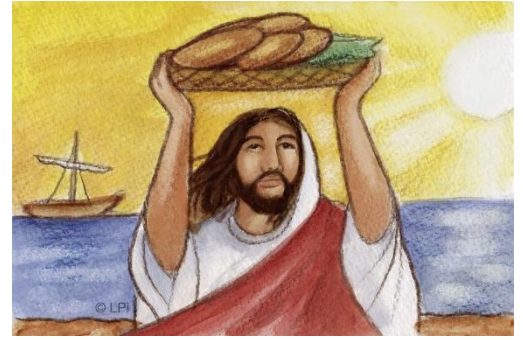
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28 July 2024 | 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B



## In our Parish this week

### Reconciliation

Is available by appointment or after weekday Mass

#### Monday 29 July

**10am** Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion followed by Adoration until 1:30pm

**7pm** Alpha meeting in hall

#### Tuesday 30 July

**9:30am** Mass

**7:30pm** RCIA meeting in the office

#### Wednesday 31 July

**9:30am** Mass

**10am** Prayer group meet in the Reconciliation room

#### Thursday 1 August

**9:30am** Mass

#### Friday 2 August

**9:30am** Mass

#### Saturday 3 August

**1pm** Intercessory prayer group meet in the hall

**6pm** Vigil Mass

#### Sunday 4 August – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**9:30am** Mass

## Gospel Reflection - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The world is filled with people whose basic needs aren't met, whether for clean water, nutrition, safety, education, meaningful work, stable family life, basic medical resources, religious freedom, and the right to life. So how can we possibly believe what Psalm 145 says to us this week, "The hand of the Lord feeds us, he answers all our needs"? Does he? What about the countless poor? Can't we identify at least a few unmet needs in our own lives right now? Is the Bible promoting wishful thinking and laziness in helping others?

No. The psalm flows from Israel's experience of God's relentless fidelity again and again —especially in the Passover from Egypt. This divine providence is recalled when Jesus feeds the needy multitudes in the Gospel of John. Passover arrives once again, and the people are hungry like the ancient Israelites on the wilderness journey. What is new is that in Jesus God not only provides for their needs, but He learns what it's like to have those human needs. He shares them too. He feeds them bread and fish; and even more, He hungers to provide them, and us, much more than just that kind of perishable food.

Our deepest need is for God. Like the multiplied bread, all earthly provisions ultimately fail, for we all finally die. Of course, our obligation to meet the needs of the poor is basic. But Christ promises to feed us with the one bread that never fails: God Himself. He is humanity's eternal food. If we eat this bread, we taste the faithfulness of God who answers all our needs, even when every earthly thing fails.

— Father John Muir ©LPI





We are excited to announce that a new member for the office team will be starting soon. Frankie Blank will be taking over from Marylynn in our parish office. Please extend a big congratulations to Frankie in her new role.



### St Theresa's Catholic School

Cordially invite you to the celebration of our school 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee. St Theresa's Catholic School, 1 James Street, Plimmerton, 12 September 2024, 9.30am –

11.30am. The celebration will be marked with a Mass, the blessing of our art installation and morning tea. RSVP to: <https://forms.gle/9FDv6t8efe3hBbrj9>  
For more information: [office@stp.school.nz](mailto:office@stp.school.nz)



Last Sunday we welcomed Luka Jaxon Barbarouses into the Church. All our blessings and love go out as he begins his spiritual journey! Please keep his parents, George and Emma, in your prayers.



### Anniversaries - May they RIP:

Edward Hickey, Anselm Guise, Louisa Marshall, and Linda Whitworth.

**Those who are sick:** Richard Gibbs, Arthur O'Leary, Sr Trish Hanaray, David Wootton, Jocelyn Bryant, Luca Ashworth, Cristina Fleming, Patricia Maher, John Montgomery, and all parishioners who have Covid or are sick.



### An invitation to Liturgy Workshops 2024

**Theme: The Sunday Eucharist**

The Eucharist is the "heart" of the Church, namely, the Eucharist. In order to live ever more fully our relationship with God, we need to understand the value and significance of the Mass. (Pope Francis, Nov 2017) Father Patrick Bridgman, Liturgy Advisor, Archdiocese of Wellington is presenting a series of workshops on the theme of the Sunday Eucharist. These workshops are open to all parishioners in the Archdiocese. It will be an opportunity to refresh our understanding of the Sunday Eucharist. Tea & Coffee will be available half an hour before the start time. Please see the poster in the church foyer for more information. Registrations are appreciated. [c.walkerline@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:c.walkerline@wn.catholic.org.nz)

### The next workshop is "Liturgy of the Eucharist":

10am-12pm on Saturday 17 August  
@ St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria



### This Sunday we Celebrate World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and Elderly

Pope Francis established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly which took place for the first time on Sunday 25 July 2021, and it is always the Sunday closest to the Feast Day of Sts Joachim and Anne, grandparents of Jesus.

Pope Francis calls us to reach out and cherish the special gifts of all grandparents and the elderly, and the contribution they make to the life of the Church. We pray for all grandparents in our parish and we acknowledge the wisdom and generosity of faith and time that our older parishioners give to our parish.

**Please invite your grandparents or your grandchildren to come to Mass on Sunday 28th July.**



Discover God's Master Plan for your Life  
Delve into the profoundly beautiful teaching of St Pope John Paul II on Human Love. Be transformed in the way you see yourself and others. Course Dates / Times: Saturday 27 July and 3 August, from 8:00 am - 6:00 pm at St Mary's of the Angels Parish Hall, 17 Boulcott Street. Register now at [www.marriageandfamily.org.nz](http://www.marriageandfamily.org.nz). Come and become one who sees!

## IGNATIAN RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE

### 'Inner Peace in Divine Love'

Christian Life Community Wellington invites you to an Ignatian First Spiritual Exercise retreat in daily life based on a programme developed by Australian Michael Hansen SJ. Participants meet weekly in guided small groups to pray and share their experience of prayer. The programme supports self-directed prayer at home during each week.

The retreat is open to all and will be held at Cardinal McKeefry School, 66 Albemarle Road, Wilton, Wellington, over five Sunday afternoons from 1:30 p.m., finishing at 3:30 p.m. – 28 July, 4,11,18, 25 August 2024.

Meeting by Zoom at these times is another option available. The cost of the retreat is \$55, and the cost of the book if required is \$30. Sponsorship is available if the cost would prevent you from attending. To register or for further information contact Sarah Dench on 021 0814 4424 or email [christianlifecommunitywgtn@gmail.com](mailto:christianlifecommunitywgtn@gmail.com)



### HOPE and ACT and CREATION

All are welcome to A Season of Creation Workshop to animate Care for our Common Home in our Communities.

With an inspirational speaker, time to share ideas, and the opportunity to gather practical tips and resources for your community the EJP (Ecology Justice & Peace Commission) invite you to one of their workshops:

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August

St Peter & Pauls, 60 Knights Road, Lower Hutt from 6:45 pm to 9:00pm

Or

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August

Our Lady of Kapiti, 1 Presentation Waym, Paraparaumu from 9:45 am to Midday



3 weeks to **Men's One-Day Retreat** on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August at Home of

Compassion, Island Bay. Starts 8:30am. All refreshments provided. Koha to defray costs - \$30 if able.

**Leader: Brendan Woodnutt (Christchurch)**

**Theme: 'Hear then what God is asking you. Only this...'** (Micah 6:8)

**Want to know more?** Ring Steve Ready 027-356-9995 or email: [joshua.wgtn@gmail.com](mailto:joshua.wgtn@gmail.com)

### **Vacancy: Digital Content Creator, Catholic Enquiry Centre**

Are you a social media superstar? The Catholic Enquiry Centre is seeking applications for the role of **digital content creator**. This role requires an excellent knowledge of social media platforms, outstanding design skills, and the ability to write engaging content quickly and accurately. This is a part-time (15 hours negotiable), fixed-term position (6 months) as we develop engagement across a range of social media platforms. There is space in our office in Wellington, however the role can be based remotely if necessary. For a description of the role, email the Director of the Catholic Enquiry Centre, Rebecca Taylor-Hunt, via [rebecca@catholicenquiry.nz](mailto:rebecca@catholicenquiry.nz). Deadline for applications: 1<sup>st</sup> August 2024.

## Compassion Events (29 July – 04 August):

### **Taizé**

Friday 2 August, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Venue: The Chapel of Our Lady of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay, Wellington. Inspired by communities in France, Taizé incorporates music and chanting into a restful and reflective practice. Join our Sisters for a Taizé session in our chapel. A reflective time with simple songs and scripture that brings us to stillness and silence.

### **Morning Prayer / Mass**

Wednesday and Thursday 8:30 am – 9:00 am

Venue: The Chapel of Our Lady of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay, Wellington. Join us for a contemplative morning mass to start the day. For more information contact ph. (04) 383-7769 or [events@compassion.org.nz](mailto:events@compassion.org.nz)

### **Meditation in the Christian Tradition**

Monday, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Thursday 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Venue: The Chapel of Our Lady of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay. Join our ancient form of contemplative prayer, deeply anchored in the teachings of the ancient Christian traditions of the Desert Fathers and Mothers. All are welcome.

### **Craft Gathering at the Home of Compassion**

Wednesday, 12:00 pm

Venue: Suzanne Aubert Heritage Centre, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay. Join us for our weekly craft gathering.

For more information contact ph. (04) 383-7769 or [events@compassion.org.nz](mailto:events@compassion.org.nz)

### **Miha Māori – Māori Mass**

Every Sunday, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Venue: The Chapel of Our Lady of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay, Wellington. For more information contact ph. (04) 383-7769 or [events@compassion.org.nz](mailto:events@compassion.org.nz)

The Suzanne Aubert Heritage Centre and Cloister Café are open. Everyone is welcome to spend some time in our public spaces.

**Cloister Café:** 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, Tuesday to Friday.

**Suzanne Aubert Heritage Centre:** 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, Tuesday to Friday

**Chapel of Our Lady of Compassion and Resting Place of**

**Suzanne Aubert:** 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, everyday.



### **Become part of a Women's Friendship Project**

Are you a locally-connected woman who would like to get to know women from a community who have recently settled in Aotearoa? We will be meeting once a month for 6 months. There will be activities to get to know each other with friendships growing over time. The women you will meet live throughout the Greater Wellington region. Initially they will be mostly mothers, although the group may extend to the range of life stages over the project, so all expressions of interest are welcome. We will begin with monthly gatherings on a Saturday afternoon in Lower Hutt with the first scheduled for 3-4:30pm Saturday 27 July. Your children are welcome to come too.

Interested in becoming a locally-connected CSS volunteer for this project? Would you like more information? Please contact Deirdre at Catholic Social Services: [d.meskill@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:d.meskill@wn.catholic.org.nz) or call 021 2213944



Only a few days left so remember to make the 'Prayer for Wellington' your go-to event this coming Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July between 1:00 and 3:30pm at the Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hill Street. Everybody is welcome. Afternoon tea to follow. Hosted by Current of Grace Wellington. Any queries? Contact Josephine Olsen [josie\\_olsen5@hotmail.com](mailto:josie_olsen5@hotmail.com) or mobile 027 367 4453

**Notice: No Holy Hour. There will be no Holy Hour in the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart for the months of July and August. We will be back in September**

<b>Service Rosters for 27/28 July – 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>			
<b>Mass Time:</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>		<b>9:30 am</b>
<b>Sacristan</b>	Kelly Ross		Veronica Young
<b>Greeters</b>	Rosaleen & Jeff Larsen		Helen Reilly
<b>Welcomer /Prayers of Faithful</b>	Margaret Baker		Grandparents & Grandchildren
<b>Altar Servers</b>			Colin Feng / Finlay Blank
<b>Karanga</b>			Emily Aubrey
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>			Tandi McCarthy
<b>Proclaimer of The Word</b>	Annemaree Deed		Hamish Baker
<b>Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Alan Fleming / Rosaleen Larsen		Sef Truyens, Richard Barraclough, Jude McKee
<b>Hospitality</b>			Dilran Perera, Peter Rawnsley
<b>Flowers</b>	Dorothy & Kaye	<b>Altar Society</b>	Erin O'Brien

<b>Service Rosters for 3/4 August – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>			
<b>Mass Time:</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>		<b>9:30 am</b>
<b>Sacristan</b>	Angela Reiher		Sef Truyens
<b>Greeters</b>	Frances & Brian Collins		Yvonne Feng
<b>Welcomer /Prayers of Faithful</b>	Julianna Ritter		Veronica Young
<b>Altar Servers</b>			Josh Kerr, Noah Kerr, Michael Bastian
<b>Karanga</b>			Phoebe McClean
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>			
<b>Proclaimer of The Word</b>	Mary Va'a		Youth
<b>Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Ange Reiher, Mike Montgomery		Paul Kerr, Russell Plume, Klara Noldan
<b>Hospitality</b>			Rosaleen & Jeff Larsen
<b>Flowers</b>	Dorothy & Kaye	<b>Altar Society</b>	Cristina Fruscalzo

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