

Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

“Always be honest”

The Dishonest Manager

"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much." Luke 16:10

The puzzle is based on Luke 16:1-13



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LOVE	WEALTH	DIG	RICH	BEG
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TRUST	MONEY	PROPERTY	DEBTORS	DISHONEST



Happenings

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25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C - 18 SEPTEMBER 2022

Open our hearts, O Lord

THIS WEEK'S READINGS highlight that God is Lord of the poor, the needy and the oppressed - as well as being the God of those in positions of power and authority. The readings also testify to these two sides of witnessing to our faith.

The prophet Amos gives a powerful message, fiercely condemning social injustice - and especially those who trample on and exploit the needy and impoverished. **(First Reading)** Jesus, too, is unambiguous when it comes to the right use of money. Tainted as it is, money has a place in the life of believers. However, it should be used ethically for the greater good of all.

(Gospel)

St Paul urges us to lives of prayer. We are to pray for all, including those in positions of political authority, for they have responsibility to care for the vulnerable in society and preserve the peace. God longs for a loving and truthful relationship with all people **(Second Reading)**. Today's **Psalm**, a hymn of praise, glorifies God—in particular because of the care and compassion he shows for the poor and lowly.

This week, we pray for those who hold political and institutional power in our lands, that they may have the courage and integrity to use their power and influence to develop the kingdom of God here on earth.

We also continue to pray for the peace of the world, and for all who suffer, especially our many sisters and brothers living in abject poverty and powerlessness.



EVER ANCIENT, EVER NEW

(Quotes from the past)

You cannot be the slave both of God and of money. (Luke 16:13)



WE HAVE BEEN entrusted with the administration of our Lord's property to use what we need with thanksgiving, and to distribute the rest among our fellow servants according to the needs of each one.

We must not squander the wealth entrusted to us, nor use it on superfluities, for when the Lord comes we shall be required to account for our expenditure.

Finally, at the end of the parable, the Lord adds: "Use worldly wealth to make friends with the poor, so that when it fails you," when you have spent all you possessed on the needs of the poor and have nothing left, "they may welcome you into eternal dwellings."

Nothing in this world really belongs to us. We who hope for a future reward are told to live in this world as strangers and pilgrims, so as to be able to say to the Lord without fear of contradiction: "I am a stranger and a pilgrim like all my ancestors."

What believers can regard as their own is that eternal and heavenly possession where our heart is and our treasure, and where intense longing makes us dwell already through faith, for as Saint Paul teaches, "Our homeland is in heaven." - **Gaudentius of Brescia, Sermon 18**



Reconciliation is available before Vigil and Sunday Masses or by appointment - please phone (04) 232 5611 or text 021 205 6476.

19-25 September

Monday: Luke 8:16-18; *Tuesday:* Luke 8:19-21; *Wednesday:* Matthew 9:9-13;
Thursday: Luke 9:7-9; *Friday:* Luke 9:18-22; *Saturday:* Luke 9:43-45;
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C: Amos 6:1,4-7; Psalm 146;
 1 Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 16:19-31

MASSES: Alejandra Alamos, RIP



ANNIVERSARIES:

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Rachel McDonald, Anne Reedy (19); Alexander O'Hara (20); Richard Peckham (21); Owen McLuskie, Leslie Stapp, Barbara Hurley, Nova Sare (22); Mark Farmer, Thomas Woods, Shirley Holmes, Michael Rattigan, Paulo Kaio, Helen Galliven (23); Rangiwakaewa Floyd, William Dorman, Iosefo Nagatalevu, Robert (Bob) Cater (24); John Smythe, Brigitta Clark, Thelma Darragh, Rebecca Gilligan, Ross Holden, Mareta Ratieta (25).

R.I.P.

May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen

19-25 SEPTEMBER: MASS & SERVICE TIMES

Registration and Vaccination Passes no longer required

	OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCH TAWA	ST PIUS X CHURCH, TITAHU BAY
Monday	9am Mass	
Tuesday	9am Mass	
Wednesday	9am Mass 9.30am-9pm Adoration	
Thursday	9am Mass	10am Mass
Friday	9am Mass	
Saturday	9am Mass	5.30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	8.30 and 10.30am Mass	

Weekday Masses may be replaced by a Funeral Mass

Parish Priest:	Fr Rico de la Torre	Ph: 021 205 6476
Parish Secretary:	Jane Lee	Ph: 232 5611
	Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9.30am-12 noon	169 Main Road, Tawa
Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson:	Marie Prescott	Ph: 232 7679
Parish Finance Committee Chairperson:	Graeme Hansen	Ph: 232 4360
Marist Sisters:	Srs Francine McGovern & Margaret Vaney	Ph: 232 5151
St Francis Xavier School:	Joan Woods, Principal	Ph: 232 8927
St Pius X School:	Philippa Matla, Acting Principal	Ph: 236 7006
Bishop Viard College:	Chris Theobald, Principal	Ph: 237 5248

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS/WEEKLY COLLECTION

11 September 2022 - \$1,121.50

This amount does not include Bank Automatic payments or direct debit payments.



CATHOLIC FOUNDATION - SCHOLARSHIPS

The Catholic Foundation Scholarships for students entering their first year of tertiary education opened on 1 August and close on 30 September. The application and criteria are available on their website: www.catholicfoundation.org.nz



CHAMPIONS 2022 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

3-7 October

Tawa Anglicans holiday programme for primary school aged children. Every morning from 9.30am-12.30pm there will be games, crafts and lots of fun. \$9 per day or \$35 for the week.

Book online: www.tac.org.nz. Phone: 027 397 5877 if you have any queries.



JOSHUA WELLINGTON MEN'S ONE-DAY RETREAT

Home of Compassion, Island Bay - Saturday 29 October 8.30am-5pm

Theme: "Peace, hope and healing through Jesus for our brokenness"

Retreat Leader: Brendan Malone, Director of LifeNET NZ

Want to know more? Ring Steve Ready 027 356 9555, email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com



HEARTS AFLAME

Fides et Scientia

HEARTS AFLAME CATHOLIC SUMMER SCHOOL

Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School is back this summer with 10 days of world-class lectures, uplifting prayer and authentic community!

Hearts Aflame is a life-changing experience for young adults aged 18-35 who want to know more about their faith and meet other Catholic young adults from all over New Zealand.

Join us this year at *Nga Tawa Diocesan School, Marton from 30 December 2022 until 8 January 2023.*

You can register at: www.heartsaflame.org.nz/registration or find out more at our website or on our social media.



NZ CATHOLIC (Issue 11-24 September)

Now for sale in church foyers again. **Price: \$4** (unchanged for eight years).

Some headlines for this issue: Three ordained deacons for the Dunedin diocese; Papal Knighthood for Christchurch parishioner Goeff Bailey; Hamilton priests celebrate their anniversaries.



THANK YOU

THANKS

Brian Tohill and family would like to give our heartfelt thanks to parishioners for the prayers, sympathy and support we have received from you after the death of Helene. This has helped us a lot during the past days and we are truly grateful. Thank you again.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

On Sunday 25 September, Vincentians from Wellington, Hutt-Wairarapa and Kapi Mana areas will gather at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Tawa to join with parishioners to celebrate the Feast day of St Vincent de Paul at the 10.30am Mass. Cardinal John will lead us in this celebration. Everyone is welcome to attend.



ORDINATION

Please pray for Deacon Alfred Tong, who will be ordained to the priesthood at *St Joseph's Church, Upper Hutt on Saturday 24 September at 11am.*

His vocation story can be found at www.wellingtonpriests.org



I AM SERIES - A monthly Sunday night series, hosted by Tawa Anglicans

Sunday 25 September 7pm at St Christopher's Church

Come along to hear Kitty McKinley, who set up Challenge 2000 under the Catholic umbrella.



HASTINGS HIBERNIAN EDUCATION TRUST

The above Trust is calling for applications for the 2023 school year from primary and secondary students who meet the criteria of needing financial assistance for the furtherance of their education at a Catholic school within New Zealand. This assistance may be in the form of supplementing costs of fees, books, and travel and/or accommodation overheads.

Please email the parish office if you would like an application form. Applications must be received by the above Trust by 1 November 2022.



Te Huinga o ngā Pihopa Katorika o Aotearoa

New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference

9 September 2022

NZ Catholic Bishops' Tribute to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

Kua te Hahi Mihingare, pononga a te Atua, haere, e hoki ki to tatou Ariki. The white heron takes flight into the night. Queen Elizabeth, head of the Anglican Church, servant of God, farewell, return to our Lord.

All Catholics in Aotearoa New Zealand will today be mourning Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, a remarkable woman who was our official Head of State through seven remarkable decades. She had grace, warmth and commitment in equal measure.

As Pope Francis noted in paying tribute, the Queen led a life of unstinting service, always showing devotion to duty and a steadfast witness of faith in Jesus Christ and a firm hope in his promises.

When Her Majesty's reign began in 1952, New Zealand was virtually a monocultural nation which looked to Britain as "home" and where most Maori, though admired, lived on the edges of Pakeha society. On her very first Royal Tour, in 1953, Maori leaders had to struggle to get Waitangi and Turangawaewae Marae at Ngaruawahia, the home of Kingitanga, added to her itinerary.

The Treaty of Waitangi then was regarded as irrelevant. Today it is central to political and public discourse, and the Maori renaissance which began in the 1970s has created extraordinary changes - welcomed by the Queen - in what has now become one of the most multicultural societies in the world. In 1995, during one of her 10 official visits to Aotearoa New Zealand, Her Majesty personally signed the Royal Assent to the historic Waikato-Tainui Treaty Settlement bill passed by Parliament that year.

Most people in Aotearoa New Zealand today have known no other monarch than Queen Elizabeth II. She has been a constant in our country's remarkable progress. Hers has been an Elizabethan Age the like of which we may never see again.

E te Ariki, hoatu ki a ia te okiokinga tonutanga. A, kia whiti ki a ia te maramatanga mutunga kore. Kia okioki i runga i te rangimarie. Amene. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

*John Dew, Cardinal Archbishop of Wellington,
and the Bishops of Aotearoa New Zealand*



ST PIUS X SCHOOL, Titahi Bay

Wanting more information about St Pius X School?



- * Pick up a copy of our **latest newsletters** in the foyer of St Pius X Church
- * Like and follow our **Facebook** page
- * Log in to our **website**—www.saintpius.school.nz
- * Call the school office on 04-2367006 or email: office@saintpius.school.nz



ST FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL ENROLMENTS FOR 2023

Enrolments for St Francis Xavier School for 2023 are now open. Contact the school office to arrange a visit and to receive your Enrolment Pack. Enrolment documentation can also be downloaded from the school website. If you know anyone considering sending their child to St Francis Xavier School, please pass this information on to them. **Contact details:** Phone: 232 8927; Email: office@sfxtawa.school.nz; Website: www.sfxtawa.school.nz



WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023

The Council for Young People is inviting young Catholics (and all other young people) to join a pilgrimage to World Youth Day 2023 in Lisbon. They have published a very full draft itinerary for Kiwis wanting to attend WYD 2023. It covers 24 days leaving Auckland on 15 July for Paris, then pilgrimage to such places as Lyon and Lourdes, Fatima for six days, reaching Lisbon on 31 July. Lisbon will host many official events from 1 August to WYD on Sunday 6 August, which climaxes with a Mass that Pope Francis is expected to celebrate in person.

Read more and download the itinerary here: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/wyd-lisbon2023-itinerary/>