

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

“Be a light in the darkness”

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Happenings

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5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A - 5 FEBRUARY 2023

A light in the darkness

 OUR READINGS THIS Sunday lead us to focus on what Jesus considers to be the qualities of his disciples. In following his teaching, we can become silent witnesses to his kingdom in our world.

Isaiah, in the **First Reading**, tells the returned exiles that their prayer and observance are not just for themselves, but for action - and for sharing with their neighbour. They, in turn, will be healed by the way they live. The **Psalms** is a prayer of praise for the 'good man', who acts with generosity, mercy and justice. The good person reveals something of God to others. Their good deeds will be rewarded with glory.

St Paul, in the **Second Reading**, tells how he went about humbly to preach a crucified Christ, so that his hearers should build their faith not on human philosophy, but on the power of God. In the **Gospel** Jesus tells us that we are to be salt of the earth and light of the world. This is how we give the Father praise.

Let us strive this week to remember that in the darkness of today's world, we are called to be Christ-like in everything that we do, and in the way we live.

Be a Light in the Darkness



FOR SALE

SALE OF TITAHI BAY PRESBYTERY

The former Titahi Bay Presbytery at 63 Te Pene Avenue, is now for sale. The following link will take you to the website which contains details of the property, photos, open home times and the agent.

www.trademe.co.nz/a/property/residential/sale/wellington/porirua/titahi-bay/listing/3978372503



Tawa Tuesday Luncheons will start the New Year with a **HIGH TEA** on 7 February at 2.30pm in the foyer of Our Lady of Fatima church. We are always happy to welcome new people to join us in meeting other parishioners in a friendly atmosphere. So if you're 60 years and over, do come and enjoy.

We need to know how many people are coming for catering purposes, so to make a booking please phone Kate on 232 9754 or Peter on 232 8795 no later than Sunday evening 5 February. Late bookings can only be taken if there are cancellations. For a cancellation on the day of the High Tea, phone Jane on 232 5611. We ask for \$5 to cover the cost, and look forward to seeing you there!



BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE

Baptism Preparation will resume on **Saturday 11 February at 10am** in the **Our Lady of Fatima Church foyer**. It is a pre-baptism requirement that you attend a preparation course.

So if you're planning on having a baptism, please register your intention to attend the course by contacting the Parish Office 232 5611 or ourladyofhope@xtra.co.nz. Please do not just turn up in case there has been a change in time or venue.



WOMEN OF FAITH - GROUNDING IN MARY

After a break over summer, our first meeting for 2023 will be on **Tuesday, 14 February, 10am at 66 Collins Avenue, Tawa**.

Our material from Marist Laity for this meeting has a different format, we will be hunting for "Mary in the Bible" - Grounding in Mary.

All women are welcome to join us for friendship and faith-sharing. For more information or for transport please phone: 232 7206.



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

Daily Readings 30 January - 5 February

Monday: Mark 5:1-20; Tuesday: Mark 5:21-43; Wednesday: Mark 6:1-6; Thursday: Luke 2:22-40; Friday: Mark 6:14-29; Saturday: Mark 6:30-34; **5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A:** Isaiah 58:7-10; Psalm 112; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Matthew 5:13-16



ANNIVERSARIES: Francisco Javier and Rosario Javier (5).

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Beryl Hay, Emmett O'Gorman (6); Agnes Ilton, Monica O'Callaghan, Roy Gillespie (7); Irvine McGuire (8); Andrew Gillespie, David Ryan, Winifred Mitchell, Gabrielle Devine (9); Cath Creed, Cecilia van Rooyen (10); Raymond Sandbrook, Eliza Dexter, John Barber, John Savage (11).

R.I.P

RECENTLY DECEASED: Gloria Greely, RIP 28 January (Funeral service was held at St Pius X church on 3 February)

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

6-12 FEBRUARY: MASS & SERVICE TIMES

	OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCH TAWA	ST PIUS X CHURCH, TITAHI BAY
Monday	9am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion	
Tuesday	9am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion	
Wednesday	9am Mass 9am-9pm Adoration	
Thursday	9am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion	NO 10am Mass
Friday	9am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion	
Saturday	9am Mass	5.30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	8.30am 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 169 Main Road, Tawa
	Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9.30am-12 noon	
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:	Nenah Kelemete, Principal	Ph: 236 7006
Bishop Viard College:	Chris Theobald, Principal	Ph: 237 5248
Samoan Chaplaincy	Mikaele Teofilo	Ph: 021 0818 5037
Filipino Chaplaincy	Web: www.filchap-adw.nz	

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS/WEEKLY COLLECTION

29 January 2023 - \$1,835.10

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

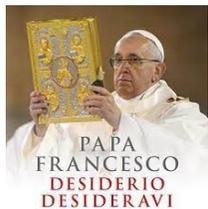


JOSHUA WELLINGTON

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Celebrant: Fr Peter Ewart SM, Joshua Chaplain

Want to know more? Ring David Monastra on 027 4477 280 or email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com



LITURGY WORKSHOP BASED ON DESIDERIO DESIDERAVI

The National Liturgy Office are running a workshop based on Pope Francis' recent Apostolic Letter, *Desiderio Desideravi*.

VENUE: *Sts Peter and Paul Church, Lower Hutt*

DATE: *Saturday, 25 February*

TIME: *10am to 3pm*

ATTENDEES: Anyone involved in liturgies or interested in learning about key liturgy components.

For more info and to register, please contact Christine on 496 1706 or email: c.walkerline@wn.catholic.org.nz Please see poster on church noticeboard



ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

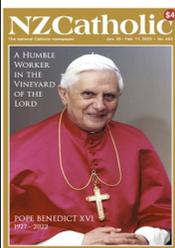
Engaged Encounter is a weekend experience for couples intending to be married.

Weekends for 2023 are on: *18/19 March, 19/20 August, 25/26 November.*

The venue is Otari Parish presbytery, 301 Karori Road, Karori, Wellington.

Registrations close two weeks before the weekend is held.

For more details, go to the website: www.cee-wellington.co.nz or phone Kate & Simon Olson on: 027 486 0700 or email: simonolsen@gmail.com



NZ CATHOLIC (Issue 29 Jan - 11 Feb) Now for sale in church foyers. **Price: \$4** (unchanged for eight years).

Some headlines for this issue: Remembering Pope Benedict XVI - young Kiwis reflect on WYD 2008. Holiday Masses on NZ islands. Catholics in New Year's honours. Polish links to Otago church.



FIRST MARIAN MOTHER'S MEETING FOR YEAR

Welcome back to 2023. Our topic for the beginning of the year is "Grounding in Mary", looking at reviewing our last year and preparing for Lent.

It will be held on *Monday, 13 February at 10am*, because the previous Monday is Waitangi Day.

We would love to see new mother's or expectant mother's in our parish.

Anyone needing transport can contact Mary Rayner 021 120 4717.

Looking forward to seeing you all and seeing how your holidays have gone.



CLEANING ROSTERS: Our Lady of Fatima and St Pius X Churches

A number of people are retiring/have retired from the cleaning rosters and we are in desperate need of replacements.

The job involves cleaning the church (usually with one or two other people) on a rostered basis once every nine weeks in Tawa and currently in Titahi Bay it is a roster of three weeks, which can be extended if more volunteers come forward. All cleaning equipment is stored at the churches.

We would love you to join us.

Please let me know if you are able to join these rosters. My email is: the.mothership@xtra.co.nz or phone: (04) 232 7679 or 027 200 0737.

God bless,

Marie Prescott



UPCOMING MORNING TEAS

Following 9am Mass on *Tuesday, 14 February* a cuppa and morning tea will be held in the Our Lady of Fatima Church foyer. Archbishop Tirona and Fr Gerome (who are from Fr Rico's Diocese in the Philippines) will be in Wellington as part of their NZ trip.

On *Sunday 19 February* a cuppa and morning tea will be held after the 8.30am Mass in the church foyer. Fr Bernard Holzer and Brother Milad Yacoub who are congregational leaders for the Assumptionists in the Oceania region will be visiting Wellington.

It would be appreciated if parishioners could help at either of these events by providing a small plate of food, helping make the teas/coffees and washing up after. *Thanks*

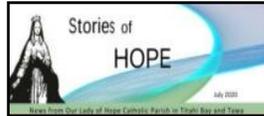


FOR SALE: COLUMBAN CALENDAR 2023

Did you miss out on getting a 2023 Columban Calendar?

If so, we have four left for sale at the Parish office
(Tuesday-Friday 9-noon)

Columban Calendars \$12 each (cash only)



STORIES OF HOPE

The first edition for 2023 will be published in March. If you have any special family news item (photos of baptisms, weddings, special anniversaries etc) that you would like to share, poems, reflections, Lent/

Easter art work, news from your parish group/activity, then please send to: magazine@ourladyofhope.org.nz Or hard copy can be left at the parish office. The deadline for all submissions is *Friday, 24 February*.



EMAILS, NEWSLETTERS & PARISHIONER UPDATES

Would you like to receive the email version of the Parish newsletter or other emails we occasionally send out? This is a vital way to keep in contact, so we can update parishioners quickly about Mass times etc.

Please send your email details to the parish office: ourladyofhope@xtra.co.nz so you can be included in our emails and database. Also, if you have changed your email address, moved to a new address or have a new phone number, please let us know.

Thanks Jane Lee, Parish Secretary



LOST/MISPLACED

Has anyone seen a Vankyo remote control for a projector which was left in Our Lady of Fatima church, back in August 2022?

If you have seen it or moved it to a "safe" place, can you please let Jane in the office know so she can return it to the owner who has only recently found that it is missing/misplaced.



TAKING COMMUNION TO THE HOUSEBOUND

Additional people are needed to take communion after Sunday Mass to the sick and housebound in our parish. The need is especially urgent for after 8.30 Mass.

Anyone who is currently a Special Minister of the Eucharist, or has been in the past, is eligible to take part in this ministry. Others are also invited to receive training if they are willing to do this. There are only a small number of people to be visited after each Mass. You do not need to be part of the Sunday Mass Eucharistic Minister roster. Full training will be given.

If you would like to join this ministry, or would like more information, please contact the parish office: 232 5611 or: ourladyofhope@xtra.co.nz or contact Jane Langham: 021 189 5953.



WAITANGI DAY MASS Nau mai, haere mai!

The customary Waitangi Day Mass to pray for this land and all who dwell here under the guardianship of the Treaty will be celebrated on *Monday, 6 February, 9am at St Mary of the Angels Church, Boulcott St, Wellington.*

This Mass combines the choirs of St Mary of the Angels and Te Ngakau Tapu parish for Maori in Porirua. Prayers will be primarily in Maori, English and Latin along with various other languages. Celebrant: Cardinal John Dew.

Please bring a plate of food to share for morning tea. Enquiries to office.manager@smoa.org.nz - (04) 473 8074. All welcome.



VALENTINE'S DAY MASS

Tuesday 14 February at St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria. Mass will be celebrated by Cardinal John Dew from 6.30pm, followed by refreshments.



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