

# Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Make Jesus welcome"



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# Happenings

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13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A - 2 JULY 2023

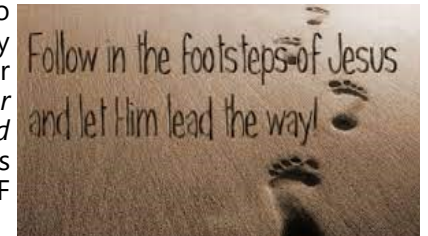
## Follow in my footsteps

THE READINGS THIS week focus on hospitality and welcome, as well as the rewards we receive when we welcome others ourselves.

In the **First Reading**, Elisha, a 'holy man of God', is regularly offered bed and board. As a result, he decides to reward his hosts with a much longed-for son and heir. The **Psalm** is a song of praise to the Lord's love and mercy. St Paul stresses to the Romans that in Baptism, we die to our old selves, and are reborn to a new life with Christ. (**Second Reading**).

In the Gospel, Jesus continues to instruct his disciples. Following him will not always be easy, but it will have its own rewards or blessings. Whether one welcomes a prophet, a holy person or the smallest 'little one', a good deed, even the simplest cup of water, will not go unnoticed. In welcoming others, we welcome Jesus himself.

This week we might want to reflect on the way each one of us, and society at large, welcomes those who must leave their own land for a variety of reasons. Perhaps we can ask for the grace of realising that *'whatsoever we do to the least of our brothers and sisters, that we do unto him'* (words adapted from the hymn by Willard F Jabusch).



## PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION Sunday 2 July

Be a Witness of  
**Charity**

The Peter's Pence collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church.

If Planned Givers who use Automatic Payments would like to make a donation, please use your *PG Number* as the reference and *surname* in particulars.

## EVER ANCIENT, EVER NEW

**For we are buried together with him by baptism into death; that as Christ is risen from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also may walk in newness of life.** - Romans 6:4

[Second Reading]



**I**F WE HAVE been buried together with Christ in the way we outlined above, ie because we have died to sin, it follows that just as Christ was raised from the dead we shall rise together with him. Just as he ascended into heaven we shall also ascend with him, and just as he sits at the right hand of God, we shall also sit with him, as the apostle himself says elsewhere: (He has) made us sit with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

Christ rose from the dead by the glory of the Father, and if we have died to sin and are buried together with Christ, and all who see our good works glorify our Father who is in heaven, we shall rightly be said to have risen together with Christ by the glory of the Father so that we may walk in newness of life. For newness of life occurs when we have "put off the old man with his deeds and put on the new man who has been created according to God" and "who is renewed in the knowledge of God according to the image of him who created him." Nor should you think that this renewal of life, which is said to take place once for all, is enough by itself. Constantly and daily this newness must be renewed, if it can be put that way. - **Origen of Alexandria, Commentary on Romans**



**Reconciliation** is available before Vigil and Sunday Masses or after 9am Mass on Saturday mornings (9.30-10am).

### Daily Readings 3-9 July

*Monday:* John 20:24-29; *Tuesday:* Matthew 8:23-27; *Wednesday:* Matthew 8:28-34; *Thursday:* Matthew 9:1-8; *Friday:* Matthew 9:9-13; *Saturday:* Matthew 9:14-17; **14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A:** Zechariah 9:9-10; Psalm 145; Romans 8:9,11-13; Matthew 11:25-30

**MASSSES:** Jessie Simon, RIP (4).



**ANNIVERSARIES:** Metita Chong Nee (5); Tom Newell (6); Arnel Galvan (7).

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:** Elizabeth Niven, Terrence Gallagher, Patrick Whooley (3); Jack Denton, William Creed (4); Margaret Bearsley, Tony Leydon, Leo Moylan, Phyllis Fearon, Rosetta Ratcliffe, Monica Brodie, Metita Chong Nee (5); Thomas Gillespie, Joseph Calnan, Mary Smith, Margaret Campbell, Elsie Brook, Horice Rogers, Peggy Keogh, Marie Young, Thomas Newell (6); Graham Hill, David R.I.P Coneybear, June Tovey, Agnes O'Neill (7); Reginald McLoughlin, Rex Tomlinson, Christian Pereira, Edna Whooley, Bernard Kyne, Henrika Faber, Kenneth Williams (8); May Lawson, John Nulty, Gwenda Kidd (9).

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

### 3-9 JULY: MASS & SERVICE TIMES

	OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCH, TAWA	ST PIUS X CHURCH, TITAHI BAY
Monday	9am Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion	
Tuesday	9am Mass	
Wednesday	9am Mass 9am-9pm Adoration	
Thursday	9am Mass	10am Mass
Friday	9am Mass	
Saturday	9am Mass	5.30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	8.30am and 10.30am Mass	

Weekday Masses may be replaced by a Funeral Mass

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### PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS/WEEKLY COLLECTION

**25 June 2023 - \$1,680.00**

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







### MAGAZINE DISTRIBUTORS

Over the last year, for a number of reasons, parishioners living out of the Tawa/Titahi Bay area have increased. I hope you have all enjoyed reading our parish magazine, "Stories of Hope". There are several dedicated parishioners who deliver the magazines locally, but those further afield have to be posted, and postage rates are again increasing.

We really need parishioners who live out of Tawa to volunteer as deliverers. This is only for 20-30 magazines 3 times a year. **Deliverers are especially needed for Johnsonville, Newlands, Churton Park and Porirua - all areas** (except Aotea).

If you can help, please phone/message Maureen O’Keeffe: 027 624 4556 or email the parish office: [ourladyofhope@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ourladyofhope@xtra.co.nz)



### DO YOU HAVE MEDICAL OR FIRST AID SKILLS?

Fr Rico would like to have suitably skilled people available who can assist, until paramedics arrive, if people take sick during Masses.

Can you please email your name, contact details and which Mass you attend to [ourladyofhope@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ourladyofhope@xtra.co.nz)



### VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR ST VINCENT DE PAUL SHOP

The St Vincent de Paul shop in Ranui is seeking applicants for the following voluntary positions: *shop staff* (flexible), *truck crew* (Friday am), *handyman* with basic general/woodworking skills to effect minor repairs on furniture (occasional).

This is a great way to give back to your community and gain or utilise skills at the same time. If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact Vicki on 237 5968.



### XLT

Come and join us for a night of worship and adoration on *Friday 7 July from 7-9.30pm at St Anne’s Newtown*. Open to all teenagers and young adults, so invite your friends or bring your whole youth group.

Follow us on Instagram: [@xltwellington](https://www.instagram.com/@xltwellington)



# WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023

## PILGRIM BLESSING FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY

All-powerful God, you always show mercy toward those who love you and you are never far away for those who seek you. Remain with your servants as they travel on this holy pilgrimage and guide their way in accord with your will. Shelter them with your protection by day, give them the light of your grace by night, and, as their companion on the journey, bring them to their destination in safety.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



*Please remember our young people who are travelling to World Youth Day in Portugal and keep them in your prayers*