



Parish of Our Lady of Kāpiti

Te Whaea Tapu o Kāpiti

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2nd Sunday of Advent - Year B - 10 December 2017

Readings Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Pet 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

Haere mai e te whanau, Tena koutou katoa, a kia noho te Ariki ki a koutou.

Welcome, family, greetings to you all. May the Lord be with you.

Dear Parishioners,

Today we hear from the very beginning of Mark's Gospel – the two great figures of salvation history – John the Baptist and Jesus – It is John who introduces Jesus and shines a light on his saving mission. Scripture Scholar Father Dennis McBride, CSSR, provides a wonderful reflection on today's Gospel passage:

'John's way is a challenge to all of us: to foster the greatness in others without feeling threatened about the value of our own contribution; to be free to celebrate the importance of others, because we have a sense of our own worth and value before God. John manages to do all this, and, not surprisingly, Jesus will return the compliment when he speaks about John to the crowds, telling them that there is no greater mother's son than John the Baptist.

As the relationship between John and Jesus teaches us, the generosity in recognising the goodness in others can help them call out the good in ourselves. When that happens, there are no losers.'

With every blessing in Christ, Michael McCabe, Parish Priest

Congratulations to



*Colleen and Graham Hooper who recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.
With best wishes and many blessings from your Parish Family.*

PASTORAL AREA ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY 10 DECEMBER

Coffee at The Mediterranean Warehouse, Coastlands

10 - 12 noon. "Carpe Diem"! A warm welcome to those recently bereaved, or anyone wishing to join us. Phone Annette 021 264 4567. We WILL continue to meet through the holidays.

MONDAY 11 DECEMBER

Charismatic Prayer Group meets for prayer and praise 1.30pm in Our Lady of Fatima Church meeting room. All welcome.

TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER

Old Ducks...Women's Prayer and Scripture group meet 10-11.30am in Paraparaumu. All welcome. Phone Chris Todd on 298 8984 or Lyn Jarden 905 2588.

Christian Meditation in Our Lady of Fatima meeting room has finished for the year. Next meeting 16 January.

Ph Wanda 293 2441.

WEDNESDAY 13 DECEMBER

Ecumenical Service at Winara House 11am. 'The Joy of Advent'. We would love you to join us. Ph Catherine 293 2978

Millvale Lindale. 11am. Join us as we sing and pray with the residents and caregivers at Millvale Lodge, Lindale. All welcome. Please phone Wullie on 293 8702.

Not your usual Sunday Readings meeting 1.30pm
23 Crown Hill, Paraparaumu. Ph Michele Ness 298 7378.
This will be the last meeting for the year.

THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER

Living Aloners Christmas lunch Midday at The Social, Kapiti Lights, Paraparaumu. Ph Zelda 905 9248 or Jan 905 4633 to book by 7th December.

Not your usual Sunday Readings 7.30pm 33 Rongomau Lane, Raumati Beach. Ph Josephine 974 0629.

FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER

Mass 9.30am Our Lady of Fatima Church.

Sacrament of Reconciliation follows Mass.

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion 9.30am
St Patrick's Hall.

Child Youth Ministry

Programmes for pre schoolers and youth have finished for the year.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

We wish you a very merry Christmas with lots of blessings and look forward to seeing you in 2018.

Our Lady of Kāpiti Building Fund Account : 02-0536-0170550-20

Psalm Response: Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

PASTORAL NOTICES

PRAYER FOCUS: In this time of Advent we pray that we may be open to the influence of the Holy Spirit on each of us, in whatever way we can assist with the design and building of our new parish church.

New Bishop for Christchurch

Pope Francis has appointed Father Paul Martin SM, former Rector of St Patrick's College, Wellington, as the next Bishop of Christchurch.

His ordination will take place early in the New Year and we offer him our prayerful support.

St Vincent de Paul Society

No more used clothing please.

Unfortunately Saint Vincent de Paul in Kapiti cannot sort and redirect used clothing and footwear. We have been blessed with your gifts over a long period of time but changed circumstances means we cannot find proper homes for your gifts. Others may still wish to receive your offerings.

Thanks to all givers. Eddie Dickson.



Nativity Scene

We have set up a Nativity Scene in our garage at 203 Matai Road, Raumati Beach, which is open for viewing nightly from 8.30 - 11pm until Christmas Eve.

All are welcome to view the Nativity during these hours to reflect and to be reminded in these busy days of December of the real reason for Christmas.

Produce Stalls at 8.30am & 10am Sunday Masses

A reminder that the last produce stall for this year will be next Sunday, 17 December. We thank all those wonderful people who have kept us supplied with their baking and goodies for sale throughout the year and those who have supported us. To date we have raised approximately \$22,318 towards the building of our church. Well done. You are wonderful.

The stalls will recommence at beginning of February.

We wish you all a very happy Christmas and many blessings for the New Year.

Christmas Gifts for the Sick & Housebound

Please remember those in our parish who are sick or housebound by leaving small unwrapped gifts in the Christmas box at Our Lady of Fatima and St Patrick's Hall by 10 December. The 'Old Ducks' and Women's Guild have offered to wrap the gifts for distribution by those Eucharist Ministers who visit the housebound.

A big 'Thankyou' in anticipation.

Some ideas: Chocolates, small tins of biscuits/sweets, notebook & pen, greeting cards with envelopes, calendars, toiletry items.

Thanks and many blessings

God's Word 2018 has arrived.

Anna will swap you a copy for \$21. Phone 902 6330.

Columban Calendars: We still have a few calendars left. These are available from the Parish Office Ph 902 5815.

PLEASE SEE NOTICE BOARD IN CHURCH FOYER FOR ALL EVENTS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

REMEMBERING THE HOLY SOULS - MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



William Joseph Fogden, Tom Sharp, William Corbett, James Worthington, Ian Stanborough, Victor Villagonzalo, Bill Dawson, Fred Murphy, Mary Dorrington, Joe Lafferty, James Dean, Michael Devane, Verdon Columb, deceased members of the Monopoli family.

Readings for 11 - 17 December

Monday 11 December

Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday 12 December

Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday 13 December

Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday 14 December

Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15

Friday 15 December

Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday 16 December

Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:10-13

Sunday 17 December

Is 61:1-2, 10-11; 1 Thess 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

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Our Lady of Fatima Church
29 Parata Street, Waikanae

Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30pm
Sunday Mass 10am

WEEKDAY TIMETABLE

Tues & Thurs: Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion 9.30am

Wednesday: Mass 9.30am

Friday: Mass 9.30am every 2nd Week

Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion on alternate Fridays.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Friday 8.30am
Sacrament of Reconciliation follows Friday Mass

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St Patrick's Hall

Presentation Way,

off 20 Milne Drive, Paraparaumu

Sunday Mass 8.30am & 4.00pm

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