

INTERESTING MUSINGS

Pro-Life Facts

A pro-life group called "Prolove" is seeking other pro-lifers who can help them provide practical help to new and expectant mums. If you are interested in becoming a local Prolove volunteer, you are welcome to contact Melissa Dobbs by email or Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/PROLOVEinaction/> or Prolove_ministry@outlook.com For more information on pro-life issues, visit www.voiceforlife.org

NZ Catholic has been named as Publication of the Year at the Australasian Religious Press Association 2020 Awards. The November 15-28 issue of NZ Catholic is out now. Some headlines are: Priests and bishop at pro-life street vigil. Nuncio speaks on youth, laity and Pope's vision. Memorial for young Christchurch priest killed in accident. Tauranga couple die on same day after 66 years married.

November WelCom is being distributed to parishes and schools this week for Sunday, 1 November. Pope Francis' new encyclical - Fratelli Tutti, Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand's 2020 Oceania Report on the state of the environment - Towards New Horizons Cardinal John Dew - reflection on 'The call to Mission'. Feast of Christ the King - Fr James Lyons. Catholics Thinking - 'Thinking after Covid-19', Professor Thomas O'Loughlin, UK Local and international news and views.

If you don't receive your copies of WelCom newspaper at your parish or school by this Friday 30 October, please let us know at: welcom@wn.catholic.org.nz

'National March for Life. You're invited to love them both by attending the fourth annual NATIONAL March for Life in Wellington on Saturday 5 December. Join pro-life Kiwis from all over NZ in a family-friendly celebration of life which also peacefully protests the practice and legality of abortion. Gather at Civic Square from 1pm for family-friendly entertainment, sausage sizzle and pro-life stalls. March to Parliament Grounds begins at 2pm. Concludes at 4pm. Learn more about this important event at a critical moment in NZ's history:

www.marchforlife.nz

Studying Theology at the University of Otago

The Theology Programme at the University of Otago offers many opportunities for the study of Theology, Church History, Ministry, Biblical Studies, and Pastoral Theology, both on-campus and to many students across Aotearoa New Zealand through its successful distance study programme. We are committed to serving Christian communities throughout the country.

New enrolments for 2021 are due by December 10th. For details of papers go to: <https://www.otago.ac.nz/theology/study/papers/> or see the attached poster.

To enrol go to <https://www.otago.ac.nz/study/enrolment/>

Bishop Owen Dolan Silver Jubilee of Episcopal Ordination (10/12/95-10/12/20)

Everyone is invited to a celebration of the Silver Jubilee of Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Owen Dolan. Jubilee Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral of The Holy Spirit, Palmerston North, on Thursday December 10th at 12.05pm.

Luncheon to follow in the Diocesan rooms, all welcome. No RSVP required.

Anniversaries in November

Eric Du Fresne, Dianne Atkins
Phil McElhinney, Peter McConville
Raymond Stowers, Wendy Fraser
Kirstie Grevatt, Norah Quinn
Denise Reid, Patricia Minehan
Samuel Fletcher, Mike Alexander

Mass Times

Sunday Masses

St Patrick'sSaturday (vigil) 5.30pm

St Joseph's.....9.30am

Weekday Masses

Monday.....St Patrick's...9.00am

Thursday.....St Patrick's..9.00am

Friday.....School Mass..

Saturday.....St Joseph's..9.00am

Next Sunday Readings

1st Reading Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17
2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28
Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Fr Paul Kerridge (Parish Priest)

15 St Joseph Street, Waipukurau, Phone- 858-9383, Fax - 858-9349,
office number- 8586416, Hours Mon- 7.30-12.00pm, Thursday- 12.15-2.20pm
and Friday -7.30-3pm E-mail - cat.chb@xtra.co.nz www.holytrinitychb.com

The Holy Trinity Parish Voice

22nd Whiringa-ā-rangi, 2020

Feast of Christ the King



Congratulations to the following tamariki who are making their First Holy Communion

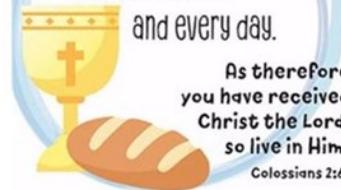
Margaux Barham, Jakub Blake Gut, Caleb Brooker, Ella-Rose Brooker, Matthew Gunson, Molly Gunson, Marco Judd, Livia Laird, Brooke O'Brien, Jordaan Pepping, Vaughn Pepping, Ella Stableford and Maisie Taylor.

The kingdom is indeed to be hoped for, but somehow it is also in our midst, in the process of becoming. Today's gospel shows how we are to promote the fuller coming of God's kingdom in our world. It comes whenever justice is done for the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, and the oppressed. To behave in this way is to imitate the Shepherd-King himself who is presented in our Gospels as one who eases alienation, who feeds, gives rest, heals and makes strong. Among his final words was a promise to the thief being crucified at his side, that he would be enveloped by the eternal love of God, in paradise.

The best way to honour Christ our King is to work for the unfolding and promoting of his kingdom. In working for the relief of deprived, oppressed or marginalised people, we are serving Christ in person, because he fully identified with people in need, right up to his final moment in this life. The disciple of Christ the King cannot afford the luxury of living in a gated community, resolutely secure in a fortress, comfortably "keeping myself to myself" with the lame claim that "I do nobody any harm." To be deaf to the cries of my neighbour in need is to be deaf to Christ. To be blind to the anguish of the dying is to be blind to Christ. To recognise Jesus Christ as our Shepherd-king involves being carers or shepherds in some way ourselves; for the work of the Kingdom goes on until he comes again. *Association-ofcatholicpriests.ie*

God Bless You on Your First Communion

JESUS,
Come into my heart
and always with me stay -
stand beside me and
guide me each
and every day.



As therefore
you have received
Christ the Lord,
so live in Him.

Colossians 2:6

A Kingdom of Justice, Love and Peace

Paul visualises Jesus Christ handing over the kingdom to God the Father at the end of time. This ideal kingdom is not something merely hoped for as a future gift, but something being worked for by Christians in the present time.

St Johns College

NCEA exams started this week. The school is a different place with the senior students gone, but surprisingly not that more quiet. St Mary's and St Joseph's had a cricket match at St John's on Tuesday – the Hastings Ashes. For most of the week the year 9 and 10 students were involved with Brain Wave, PAT testing and on Thursday and Friday groups of Year 9 students were out on the historical trip which connects students with our Catholic and Marist roots in Hawkes Bay.

The Archdiocese of Wellington is currently advertising two senior roles, Director, Development, Investment and Finance; and Director, Church Mission. These leadership roles report to the General Manager and further details can be found on the OCG and Seek websites.

Director, Development, Investment and Finance

<https://www.seek.co.nz/job/50868580?type=standout#searchRequestToken=2b8ddbfc-f89e-4b94-ba75-ef317d7b256d>
<https://www.ocg.co.nz/resources/jobs/director-development-investment-and-finance/SMA68485OCG>

Director, Church Mission

<https://www.seek.co.nz/job/50860461?type=standout#searchRequestToken=2b8ddbfc-f89e-4b94-ba75-ef317d7b256d>

<https://www.ocg.co.nz/resources/jobs/director-church-mission/SMA68375OCG>

A wonderful story is often told about an incident in the life of Poland's famous concert pianist, Ignace Paderewski.* A mother took her small child to a concert by Paderewski to expose him to the talent of the great pianist. She hoped as she did to encourage her son in his piano lessons, which he had just begun. They arrived early at the concert and were seated near the front. Standing alone on the stage was a marvelous Steinway grand piano. As they waited for the concert to begin, the mother entered into a conversation with the people beside her. Eventually, eight o'clock came, and the lights began to

dim. Everyone turned their attention to the stage and the grand piano. The mother looked up and was suddenly horrified. Her son was sitting at the piano and banging out with one little finger, "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star." "Oh no," she thought, "How am I going to get him down?" As she began to make her way to the platform, Ignace Paderewski himself appeared on stage. He went over and sat down beside the child. He whispered in the child's ear, "Don't quit; keep playing!" As the little boy continued to play, Paderewski reached down with his left hand and began to fill in the bass part. Then with his right arm around the little boy, he added a running obbligato. Together, the old master and the young novice held the crowd mesmerized. Advent celebrates the coming of God. God who longs to be in partnership with us. To join us in the harmony of our lives. Advent reminds us that we are not alone. That God longs is with us in partnership, surrounding us in our pilgrim journey, surrounding us with love. Have a partnership filled advent! *That there was a famed concert pianist named Paderewski is certainly true. He would later become the Prime Minister of Poland. This particular incident, however, may or may not have actually occurred in his life. During the Second World War Paderewski arranged local community meetings through flyers that included a picture of him sitting next to a boy at the piano, the image may have evolved into a story. The story has meaning even if the event is not true, and who knows it may be true!.

Parish Christmas party

When -13th December

Where—Presbytery

Time—4pm

What to Bring—a plate to share



Notices from Titipounamu

Online Session (Evening): The Gospel of Mark with Br Kieran Fenn.
Next session on 27 November, 7-8.30pm. Fee: \$25/session. ZOOM.

All sessions of this series are connected but also stand alone.

Topic: The Passion Narrative in the Gospel according to Mark.

For more information and registration:

info@studyjoy.nz

See also: <https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/the-gospel-of-mark-5/>

Online Session (Evening): Christmas Self Care Nibbles with Clare Barnett. Tuesday, 15 December, 7.15-8.45pm. Fee: \$30. ZOOM

For more information and registration:

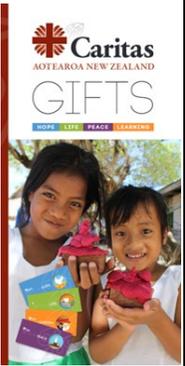
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Thousands of the 27,000 New Zealanders

who ceased receiving the 12-week COVID-19 Income Relief Payments (CIRP) have not returned paid work. The Salvation Army says although the application period for CIRP ended last week, only one in ten people who have finished their CIRP are in work. Some people have been able to transition onto the Jobseeker benefit. A further 20,000 or so will not be eligible for Government support as the payments run out. Besides the CIRP group, 37,000 people lost their jobs in the three months to September. This is the biggest quarterly increase since 1986. The number of New Zealanders unemployed is now at about 151,000. Thousands of people may be looking for paid work as Christmas approaches. Salvation Army director of community ministries, Jono Bell, is expecting a 20 per cent increase in demand for support with Christmas food and gifts this year. "Increasingly, our clients are severely stressed and anxious about how to get through the festive season, and, beyond that, what the future holds," he says. Bell notes that 92 percent of the clients using the Salvation Army's financial mentoring service have incomes of less than \$50,000 a year. Twenty-two percent earn less than \$20,000 a year. "The pressure on our clients and their whanau to make ends meet is enormous, and COVID-19 has added more uncertainty," he says. *Cathnews.co.nz*

Caritas

What a year 2020 has been! Certainly not one we will forget in a hurry. For Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand, this year has brought challenges that most of us could not have imagined but at the same time we have been humbled by the generosity, encouragement and prayers of you, our supporters. So it is with incredible gratitude that we look towards Advent after such a tumultuous year. As most of you know, each year Caritas provides you with the opportunity to give gifts which support our work. These Gift cards allow you to make a donation on behalf of someone in your family or among your friends, a donation that will make a difference for those less fortunate we work with in the Pacific and around the world. When you buy a card, you receive a case study insert, on which you can write a personal message before giving to a friend or family member. Caritas Gifts are unique and make a tangible difference, allowing us to support people to live with dignity. The brochure below outlines the different gifts we offer, and each gift is printed with a different case study outlining an example of the work that we do. You may order Caritas gifts by calling us on 0800 22 10 22 or through the Caritas website: www.caritas.org.nz/caritas-gifts. Please place all orders by Monday, 7 December to ensure you receive your gifts in time for Christmas.



Columban Calendars and Christmas Cards are now for sale.

Calendars are \$12 each and cards are \$2.50 a packet. Please contact the office or Fr Paul.

