Anniversary's in January/February

William Martin, Fay Orgar, Terrance Loughan, Trevor Hulena. Brett Gray
Clarice Barclay, Constance Margaret Frasier, Timothy Carpenter
Alan Cameron, Daniel Taylor, Margaret Parsons
Fred Allen, Mary Butler (Molly), Peter Robinson (Skip)
Vera Lawrence, Jack Moran, Bernard Skidmore
Malcolm Wenzlick,

Pro-Life Facts- Open adoption is a legal arrangement whereby birth parents allow others to take on the responsibilities of raising their child, but still remain in contact with and have a relationship with their child. However, each year over 13,000 babies are aborted and only 21 on average, adopted. If you would like support in choosing life for your baby, please reach out to your local branch of VFL. For more pro-life information, visit voiceforlife.org.nz.

Concert at St Mary's Church, Waipukurau.2.30pm, Sunday 12 March $20.00 per person
FUND RAISER for CHB.

Chris Hainsworth grew up in Wellington, learning the organ from Ernest Jamieson and Maxwell Fernie and studying languages and music at Victoria University before heading for Toulouse to complete his Doctorate. He also studied organ with Jean Ferrard in Brussels. He taught for 15 years at Waikato University and another 15 at the Béziers Conservatoire in the South of France before devoting himself entirely to performance (solo, chamber orchestral) on organ, fortepiano and harpsichord, mainly around Europe, USA and Australasia. Formerly Director of Music at Hamilton Cathedral, Director of the Béziers Conservatoire and Associate Professor of Music at Waikato University, he is currently organist "titulaire" of the Cathedral of Béziers. Tickets available from Angela Annear 8589082 / 0272811306 angela@searletravel.co.nz
or Kath Fletcher 8589802 / 0272066590
dkfletch@xtra,co.nz
Direct credit payment can be made to
ANZ PROBUS TRIPS ACCOUNT
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Put your name as referen

genLend

genLEND is a community initiative developed at Saint Andrews Church in Hastings as a tangible way for people across the country to help power the recovery of Hawke's Bay communities ravaged by Cyclone Gabrielle. genLend is seeking people from around New Zealand with a spare generator, petrol-powered pump, small digger, or bobcat to lend it for a couple of weeks to get the East Coast through the start of the flood recovery. genLend will arrange the collection, distribution, operation maintenance and return of the gear for a two week period. Find out more and offer help here: https://www.genlend.co.nz/

Mass Times

Week Day Masses
Saturday—9am @ St Joseph's
Tuesday—9am @ St Joseph's
Thursday—9am @ St Patrick's
Sunday Masses
Vigil Mass—5.30 @ St Patrick's
Sunday Mass—9.30am@ St Joseph's

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Rātini Kupu

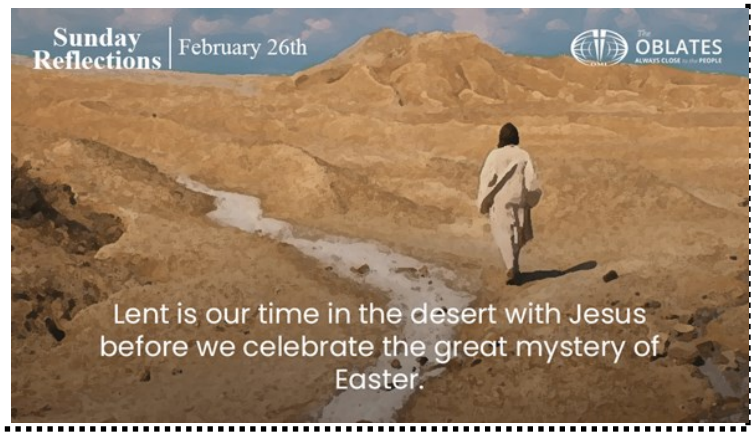
26th Hui-tanguru, 2023
1st Sunday of Lent
26th February

PRAYER for those affected by Cyclone Gabrielle

God our refuge and hope. We pray for all who are suffering because of recent flooding in our Diocese and in other parts of our country. Give them strength when they're weak, reason for hope in times of despair and the grace to know you are with them. Bless the work of emergency and aid workers and keep them safe as they risk their lives for others. Bless too the work of local government and our nation's leaders. Grant them wisdom in their decision making, and special concern for the poor and vulnerable. Fill our hearts with compassion for those who are in great need. Open our hearts to see them as brothers and sisters and make us generous in our response. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

If anyone would or could like to donate to our CENTRAL HAWKES BAY Area,
You can donate by direct debit or cash donations to the following ANZ bank account:
CHBDC Mayoral Relief Flood Fund - 01 – 0777 – 0038665 – 00
In Reference Column please put: " RELIEF "

Today we begin another season of Lent. We have another opportunity to make the journey Jesus made in the desert. The temptations we read about today are also our temptations. This Lent, we might enter with Jesus into the reality of temptation in each of our lives. And with Jesus, we might learn to say with faith and conviction, "Be gone, Satan!" That's what Jesus did constantly through his life. It is also the challenge facing each one of us.



St John's College—It has been a difficult couple of weeks at St John's as we deal with the fallout from Cylcone Gabriel. The school has been open for all students from Tuesday. We have been running a modified timetable to adjust for the transport issues affecting our Napier based students and teachers. All calendared events, athletics sports, Y9 camps, etc. have been postponed. We are grateful for the support of our parish and diocesan communities and very thankful for the food, clothing and bedding delivered by the Palmerston North Diocesan team.
We look forward to the next few weeks with hope and ask for your prayers for those in our community negatively impacted by the cyclone. Conor Bolton (DRS)

On Friday, the Palmerston North Diocese Administrator, Fr Craig Butler (pictured) acknowledged the diocese's responsibility to show care, and outreach to those impacted by Cyclone Gabrielle. A significant portion of the area on the east coast of the North Island is in the Palmerston North diocese, and in the absence of a bishop, Butler is administering the Palmerston North diocese. "People's suffering is very real and they need our help." "As a diocese we have a responsibility to show we care," says Butler. He says Pope Francis' call to remember those who suffer and for our charity to be concrete, 'very in touch.' "Brothers and sisters, let us not forget those who suffer and let our charity be attentive, let it be a concrete charity!" said Francis in his recent Angelus message. As part of the outreach, Butler invites people to contribute to a Cyclone Relief Appeal to help those in desperate need. Also on Friday, St John's College, Hastings notified the diocese that on Monday it would be opening as a community centre to provide food and showers to their students, family and community.
Ironically in one of the nation's food-producing centres, there is a food shortage and the College reached out for urgent assistance from diocese.
Over the weekend the diocese had a small team working on a practical response including food, drinking water, washing powder, women toiletries, toilet paper, soap, shampoo, torches, batteries, rubbish bags, Janola. On Monday Butler and General Manager for the diocese, Liam Greer confirmed three commercial vehicles and trailers loaded with provisions were delivered to the College. Acknowledging the effort as a starting point in the long journey, Butler and Greer are delighted with the response; labelling people's generousity as "outstanding". Greer clarified there are a number of plans in place in the Diocese to provide ongoing support to the wider Hawkes Bay area, but it is currently responding to an immediate need from a community that is within reach. As well as helping to meet food shortage, Greer said key diocesan staff headed to Hawkes Bay to support schools and staff. The staff include trained social workers and staff to help process insurance claims. Greer confirmed that St Joseph's school Wairoa is being used as a helicopter air pad and that while the school remained unharmed, it will be closed until otherwise cleared by Civil Defence.
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Cyclone Relief Appeal

The Diocese of Palmerston North has launched a Cyclone Relief Appeal to help those in desperate need following Cyclone Gabrielle. Donations can be made directly online to the Catholic Charities Foundation by direct bank transfer to 02-0630-0237950-010 with references: "Cyclone" and "your surname and initials" (Please email reception@pndiocese.org.nz with your email details for a receipt.)
Donate today to help families and communities who have been affected at https://pndiocese.org.nz/cyclon

Lenten Giving Envelope Packs have been distributed for the Bishops' 2023 Lenten appeal. You can either use the weekly donation envelopes or use a single donation envelope. You may either return your donation envelopes during the parish offertory collection or send them to Caritas directly. A freepost envelope is available for this option. NZ Post specifies that cash must not be sent through the post. Donations received by Caritas in these envelopes by 31 March 2023 will be sent receipts for the 2022/2023 tax year. Donations received by Caritas after April 1st will be sent receipts for the 2023/2024 tax year. Thank you for your generous support.

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

Online Sessions (Evening):
Genesis – In the Beginning…
Part 1: The Creation Story (incl. study material) with Kieran Fenn fms.
Monday, 27 February, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.
https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/01/16/genesis-in-the-beginning/
Part 2: Creation of Adam from Whēnua… (Michelangelo) with Dr Christopher Longhurst.
Monday, 06 March, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.
Fee: $25 (NZD)/session or $40 (NZD)/2 sessions
https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/01/22/the-creation-of-adam/
For more information: www.studyjoy.nz

The right options

Since he was alone in the desert, only Jesus himself knew what he felt. The implication of the temptation story is that he had to struggle within himself to find the best way to live his life for God. We ordinary mortals will hardly imagine ourselves turning stones into bread; but in the first temptation Jesus seems to toy with the possibility of providing a limitless supply of bread for people, like the daily dole-out of food by which Roman emperors kept popular with their followers. But Jesus saw how a focus on food and drink can lead to forgetting spiritual values. "Man does not live on bread alone." Jesus sensed that his ultimate service to mankind, the effective one that would endure, would be through suffering and the Cross, after which would come the crown. Without his crucifixion and resurrection his message would be forgotten. In every event of life, God is saying something to us too. The story of the Temptations is warns us not to let selfishness govern our lives. We need to be guided by the Holy Spirit, who continues to prompt our conscience throughout our days. Imitate Our Lord by taking up life's challenges, not with an air of gloomy resignation, but cheerfully accepting what providence may bring. Let Jesus be a major influence in our lives, reflect upon his words and actions with reverence and affection, so as to bring about an inner purification of our minds and wills. The second temptation was to seek fame and celebrity, and indeed, throughout the next few years the people kept asking him for further miracles. What if he were to throw himself from off the pinnacle of the Temple and be unscathed. But this would be just showmanship. He answered, "You must not put the Lord your God to the test!" as a warning not to be rash and superficial. Finally, in the scene on the mountain-top, seeing all the kingdoms of the world, suggests a temptation to become a political messiah, ruling all nations and having power to impose his will on people, like it or not. He dismisses this notion too, since we will enter into a true union with God only if we are drawn to it in spirit. *Associationofcatholicpriests.ie*