



# ST PETER CHANEL PARISH

CATHOLIC PARISH OF WAIMAKARIRI

FOUR CHURCHES | ONE PARISH | RANGIORA - KAIAPOI - OXFORD - LOBURN

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## 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time YEAR A – 12<sup>th</sup> July 2020

### TODAY'S Readings

First reading Isaiah 55:10-11

Responsorial Psalm Ps 64:10-14

Second Reading Romans 8:18-23

Gospel Matthew 13:1-23

### “There are always seeds that bear fruit for the harvest”

*(Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI)*

On this 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Ordinary Time, we meditate on the parable of the sower of the seeds. There are far too many dangers that oppose to the seeds' growth: the unworkable stony ground, the thorns, and the bad weather – everything seems to condemn the work of the sower to failure. And yet, much is done in vain, there are always seeds that germinate and thrive for the harvest, despite all perils grow to bear fruit and reward all the toil many times over. This is an image of hope and trust for those who totally consecrate their work and effort in the power of the Holy Spirit and in the power of the kingdom of God. What Jesus wants to say to each one of us with this story is that all truly fruitful things begin in this world with what is small and hidden. This is to illustrate that much of our ministry and volunteering work in the kingdom of God may be hidden behind the compliments and praises of the local newspaper, but it is in the hidden reality that the power of God is manifested.

This parable sometimes makes us think as if the sower of the word is in reality only sent out so as to achieve nothing, so as to fail. But despite all the harshness of the different inconceivable grounds, there are always seeds that bear fruit in good soil. We hope that each of us is the good soil that allows the word of God to bear fruit for God's kingdom, despite all life struggles and difficulties which we face daily.

God has not finished with us yet; he is still sowing the seeds. He is still continually moving in his own space through his story. He is still continually veiling his power in the garb of powerlessness. And he is still continually present in the heart of those who hang on to the true values and the divine values, such as truth, love, faith and justice. Despite all the disappointment and condemnation of the word of God in our society, yet this parable reminds us - Be comforted.

**Fr. Tien Cao**

**Charismatic Praise and Worship**  
with Fr Arsene and Jeanette Dobbs.  
All welcome.

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July from 4pm-5pm**  
**at the Chervier Centre.**  
Melevesi from CYT will lead the worship.

### Prayer Worksop with Fr Arsene:

We invite and welcome everyone to this month's Prayer Worship series by Fr Arsene to be held at the **St Patrick's Lounge in Kaiapoi.**

We encourage those coming from Rangiora to meet up at the car park in the Chervier Centre at 6:30pm and car-pool. Kindly Sign in for carpool at the sheet in the foyer.

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 7:00pm: Ignatian Prayer

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 7:00pm: Lectio Divina

### Winter Warmer @ St. Patrick's Lounge

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2.00pm - 4.00pm. We will be in the lounge, and will be warm, make a cuppa, have a jigsaw, quiz, card game or just a natter to brighten up the winter days. All are welcome, so bring your neighbour or a friend if they'd like to come. If you need transport, please ring Sr. Gael - 327.3669.

### Volunteer needed!

We need a volunteer to run the PowerPoint music slides for Saturday night Mass approximately once every 4 weeks. If you can help please contact Brendan Malone at [brendan@lifenet.co.nz](mailto:brendan@lifenet.co.nz) OR: 021 054 0762

### Piano/organ players needed!

If you can play organ or piano we would love to hear from you! We need a couple of competent players to join our liturgical music teams at weekend Masses in Rangiora. If you can help or would like to know more please contact Brendan Malone on 021 054 0762 or [brendan@lifenet.co.nz](mailto:brendan@lifenet.co.nz)

**St Vincent de Paul Rangiora** – requests your kind generosity for donations of bathroom items, laundry, canned and dry goods, breakfast cereals, etc. We are experiencing more requests from families especially at this time of difficulty.



# marriage retreat

**The Two Shall Become One:  
Called To Be Happy In Marriage**

**Sat 1 August 9.30am-4pm**

Rosburn Receptions, Spark Lane, Rangiora  
Led by Fr Arsene Kapya, St Peter Chanel Parish

+ Plus Talks/Testimonies by Jennifer and Tim  
Goulding, Marriage Unplugged, and Carly and  
Wayne Mulqueen, Focus on the Family NZ

Suggested Donation \$40 per couple\* Lunch  
included (\*Sponsorship available)

To register or for more information contact Carly  
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### ALPHA TERM 3 2020 – Taking Registrations Now

**What is Alpha?** Alpha is a series of free interactive sessions **EXPLORING LIFE, FAITH & MEANING**. Each session involves: **Food**, a **Film** and **Discussion**. People can share their thoughts and ask those **BIG** questions they've always wanted to ask.

**Kaiapoi** Begins Wednesday 22 July

**Rangiora** Begins Thursday 23 July

**Oxford** Date and time TBC

*Course runs 7pm-9:15pm for 10 weeks.*

**Would you like to come along?**

**Who can you invite and bring with you?**

**OR Are you available to help on a roster?**



- Setting up from 5:30pm-6:30pm
- Prepping and serving dinner from 5.30pm-7pm
- Cleaning up after dinner from 7pm-8.15pm

To register for your next **GREATEST ADVENTURE**, or to find out more information, contact Carly at [alpha@waimakariricatholic.org.nz](mailto:alpha@waimakariricatholic.org.nz)

or 03 313 6285 **alphaspc.nz**

Mass and Reconciliation Times in Rangiora, Kaiapoi and Oxford (11 <sup>th</sup> July – 19 <sup>th</sup> July)			
Saturday (11 <sup>th</sup> ) St Benedict	9:00am 9:30am	Reconciliation Mass	Kaiapoi Kaiapoi
Saturday Vigil	6:00pm	Mass	Rangiora
Sunday (12 <sup>th</sup> ) 15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30am 9:00am 10:30am	Mass Mass Mass	Oxford Kaiapoi Rangiora
Tuesday (14 <sup>th</sup> ) St Camillus de Lellis	8:00-8:50am 9:00am	Adoration Mass	Rangiora Rangiora
Wednesday (15 <sup>st</sup> ) St Bonaventure	8:00-8:50am 9:00am 12:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Adoration Mass Mass Adoration Mass	Rangiora Rangiora Kaiapoi Rangiora Oxford
Thursday (16 <sup>th</sup> ) <i>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</i>	8:00-8:50am 9:00am	Adoration Mass	Rangiora Rangiora
Friday (17 <sup>th</sup> ) Day of Penance	9:30am 11:00-11:50am 12:00pm	Mass Adoration Mass	Kaiapoi Rangiora Rangiora
Saturday (18 <sup>th</sup> ) <i>Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	9:00am 9:30am	Reconciliation Mass	Kaiapoi Kaiapoi
Saturday Vigil	6:00pm	Mass	Rangiora
Sunday (19 <sup>th</sup> ) 16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30am 9:00am 10:30am	Mass Mass Mass	Oxford Kaiapoi Rangiora

† Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at any time by approaching the priest.

 *May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Please remember in your prayers all who have died* 

**A Day to Pray:** Thursday has been set aside as a special day to pray for our priests and for vocations to the priesthood.

### Prayer against Euthanasia

Heavenly Father We call on You in this time of dire need. We fear that our country will embrace legalised Euthanasia, creating a culture of death; whereas You are the Light and Creator of Life. We offer up to You the hearts of those who support Euthanasia, many out of fear because they do not know You and Your great mercy. We know that You have the power to change the hearts of those who think Euthanasia is the only answer to illness and suffering and we humbly ask You to do so. We also ask You to inspire those who are opposed to Euthanasia, but who have yet to make a stand to rise up and speak out. Nothing is impossible to You. We pray for Your help. **Amen.**

**Sacrament of Confirmation** Preparation Programme will be starting next month for those in Year 7 and older, including adults. Registration forms will be available at both St Patrick's and St Joseph's schools at the start of Term3 and at the church foyers. Kindly pass this information to those whom you may know are keen to receive the Sacrament. More details next week.

Parish Meetings July			
Day	Time	Event	Place
Every Monday	7:30pm	Kaiapoi Men's Group	St Patrick's Lounge, Kai
Every Friday	10:45am	Legion of Mary	Chervier Centre Rangiora
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	10:00am	Kaiapoi Church Committee	St Patrick's Lounge Kaiapoi
Monday 13 July	7:00pm	Youth Group	Chervier Centre Rangiora
Thursday 16 July	7:00pm	Alpha Team Training	Chervier Centre, Rga
Tuesday 21 July	1:30pm	Oxford Prayer Group	Oxford Church Centre
Wednesday 21 July	7:00pm	Prayer Workshop by Fr Arsene Ignatian Method of Prayer	St Patrick's Lounge, Kai
Thursday 23 July	1:30pm	Marriage Retreat meeting	
Saturday 25 July	10:00am	St Patrick's Prayer Group	St Patrick's Lounge Kai

### Next Week's Roster: 18/19 July 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

	St Mary and St Francis de Sales, Rangiora	St Patrick's, Kaiapoi	Sacred Heart of Jesus, Oxford
	Saturday 6:00pm	Sunday 10:30am	Sunday 9:00am
Greeters	Maria England Kay Spencer	Fahey Family	Naria de Jong Mary Cumming
Welcome and POF	Glen Blake	Alma Russell	Kathryn Gibson
First reading	Marina Krijgsman	John Jenkins	Daniel Svoboda
Second reading	Francine Turner	Michael Hickland	Nick Caldwell
Gifts	Basobas family	Joseph Houghton Family	Freda Bateman Kerry Fordham
EMHC	Pat Spencer Anne Barwell Bernie McCrossin	Mark Russell Stuart Thow Irene Fitzpatrick	Catherine Billcliff Angela Fordham Maryanne Brown
Altar Servers	Lachlan McKenzie Isabelle McKenzie Thomas Borcoskie	Joshua Rayner Paige Swain Maria Carshalton Andrew Peterson	Elijah Sommerfeld Joshua Pickering
Holy Stall/Projector			Rebekah Caldwell
Counters		Peter & Nan Wright Fran Ford	Catherine Billcliff Kerry Fordham
Linen	Sandra Mabazza		Erin Brown
Cleaners	Fran Ford Marie Walker Donna Newman		James and Mary Koh
Music			Helen Caldwell
Morning Tea			Russky and Jerome Pardo
Flowers	Anne Sutherland		Isobel de Roo

### AROUND THE DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH THIS WEEK

**CLOSURE OF ST JAMES CHURCH, ARANUI:** The Parish Leadership Team announce the closure of the St James Church in Aranui. The final Mass will be held at **9.00am on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July** followed by morning tea. This is a general invitation for all those who have had an association with the parish over the years who would like to attend.

Do you have blankets surplus to requirement? The Society of St Vincent de Paul are in desperate need for blankets to provide warmth and comfort to those in need in our community this winter. Blankets can be dropped or placed in our clothing bins. Thank you for helping us help others!