



ST PETER CHANEL PARISH

CATHOLIC PARISH OF WAIMAKARIRI

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

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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time YEAR A – 26th July 2020

TODAY'S Readings

First reading Kings 13:5, 7-12 Resp Psalm Ps 118:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130
Second Reading Romans 8:28-30 Gospel Matthew 13:44-52

The Kingdom of Heaven is...

The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure...

The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls...

The kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds...

Each of these three images of the kingdom of heaven illustrates a particular aspect of the beauty of the kingdom of God. However, no one of them is justly adequate of illustrating the fulness of God's glorious kingdom that he has promised to give each one of us for the sake of our faith in Christ. Including the image of the mustard seed, which we heard at the last Sunday Mass, could only illustrate some aspects of the power of growth and development of the kingdom of heaven. Consequently, these are only images that our Lord wants us to meditate on to see the hidden meanings behind them.

For example, the kingdom of heaven is like a treasure or fine pearls which is hidden in a field. And each of us pursues different types of treasures, but whatever satisfies the longing of our heart will become the treasure that our Lord is encouraging us to keep searching and searching. He encourages us and he blesses those who search for the treasures that he himself has hidden. He also promises that whoever searches will find. As he said:

'Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst after righteousness and wisdom: for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God (Mt 5:1-12).

Finally, the price of kingdom of heaven is affordable for everyone. Its terms and conditions are that we "sell everything we own and buy the field." However, those, who have nothing to sell, receives the kingdom of heaven for free. As a result, it seems that those who detach voluntarily from this worldly possession will find and possess the kingdom of heaven earlier than those who are attached to them.

'Blessed are the poor, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.'

Fr. Tien Cao

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

Sacrament of Confirmation

The parish invites those in Year 7 and older, including adults, to participate in our preparation programme for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Registration forms are available at the church foyers in Kaiapoi, Oxford and Rangiora, at St Joseph's and St Patrick's schools.

A parent information evening will be held on Wednesday 5th August 7-8pm at the Chervier Centre Rangiora. Deadline for registering is on Friday 7th August. For more information, please contact the parish office on 313 6285 or email admin@waimakariricatholic.org.nz

Kindly pass this information to others whom you know are interested.

A Traditional Latin Mass (Sung) will be celebrated by Fr John Adams at the Church of St Mary and St Francis de Sales (in the Chervier Centre) in Rangiora on Sunday 16th August 2020 at 5pm.

All welcome. There will be cuppa afterwards 😊

Volunteers needed for Rangiora's 6pm Mass:

Yes, we need your service as Greeters (with that welcoming smile at the door and handing out the newsletter); Welcome before Mass starts and leading the Prayers of the Faithful; Readers and Altar Servers (Training will be provided).

We also invite volunteers to help with cleaning/vacuuming/dusting the church, sacristy, lounge and tea room. You will be organised in groups of 4-5 and will be rostered for a 2- weekend duty. Families are most welcome.

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.

The July 26 – August 8 issue of NZ Catholic is out now. Some headlines are: Small change to Opening Prayer at Mass. Mercy sister was hospice pioneer. Dunedin bishop returns to duties. Answering Jesus' call – vocations feature. \$3 at the Holy Stall or foyer

Marriage Retreat led by Fr Arsene Kapya The Two Shall Become One: Called To Be Happy In Marriage

Saturday 1 August 9:30am – 4:00pm
Rosburn Receptions, Spark Lane, Rangiora
There will be talks/Testimonies by Jennifer and Tim Goulding, Marriage Unplugged and Wayne and Carly Mulqueen, Focus on the Family NZ

Suggested Donation \$40 per couple (lunch included) *Sponsorship available
To register and for more information contact Carly at alpha@waimakariricatholic.org.nz

The Coast to Coast Rosary for Life and Faith

will be held at the St Mary and St Francis de Sales Church (in the Chervier Centre) on Saturday 15th August at 3pm. This prayer event celebrates and affirms the dignity of Life from conception to natural death. This day also celebrates the feast of Our Lady of Assumption, Patron Saint of New Zealand.

All are invited.

PARISH CENSUS HAPPENING SOON: ARE YOU KEEN TO HELP?

Let us help maintain the vibrancy of our parish by having accurate and up-to-date records of our parishioners.

While many of our parishioners have been in the parish for many years, some have moved away, some have changed their details and many have recently become new members of our parish community.

A PARISH CENSUS IS THE ANSWER

We invite volunteers to assist individuals in completing forms (online and on paper) and reaching out/visiting those who have not completed their forms.

We would love to hear from you. If you think you can help, kindly let us know on 313 6285 or email admin@waimakariricatholic.org.nz. Thank you for your help.

Chervier Ladies will be meeting on Wednesday 26th August. More details to follow.

Mass and Reconciliation Times in Rangiora, Kaiapoi and Oxford (27 July – 2 nd August)			
Tuesday (28 th)	8:00-8:50am 9:00am	Adoration Mass	Rangiora Rangiora
Wednesday (29 th) St Martha	8:00-8:50am 9:00am 12:00pm 7:00pm	Adoration Mass Mass Adoration	Rangiora Rangiora Kaiapoi Rangiora
Thursday (30 th) <i>St Peter Chrysologus</i>	8:00-8:50am 9:00am	Adoration Mass	Rangiora Rangiora
Friday (31 st) St Ignatius of Loyola	9:30am 11:00-11:50am 12:00pm	Mass Adoration Mass	Kaiapoi Rangiora Rangiora
Saturday (1 th) St Alphonsus Mary Liguori	9:00am 9:30am	Reconciliation Mass	Kaiapoi Kaiapoi
Saturday Vigil	6:00pm	Mass	Rangiora
Sunday (2nd) 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	7:30am 8:30am 9:00am 10:30am	Adoration Mass Mass Mass	Oxford Oxford Kaiapoi Rangiora

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS AVAILABLE ANY TIME BY APPROCHING OUR PRIESTS



*May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Please remember in your prayers all who have died
Jan Duffy and Graeme Lawrey*

Parish Meetings July/August			
Day	Time	Event	Place
Every Monday	7:30pm	Kaiapoi Men's Group	St Patrick's Lounge, Kaiapoi
Every Friday	10:45am	Legion of Mary	Chervier Centre Rangiora
Monday 27 July	7:00pm	Youth Group	Chervier Centre Rangiora
Wednesday 29 July	7:00pm	ALPHA (Week 2)	St Patrick's Lounge, Kaiapoi
Thursday 30 July	7:00pm	ALPHA (Week 2)	Chervier Centre Rangiora
Thursday 30 July	1:45pm	Rosary (home of Jan grounds)	125 Charles St Rangiora
Monday 3 August	4:00pm	SVdP Kaiapoi	St Patrick's Lounge Kaiapoi
Tuesday 4 August	1:30pm	Oxford Prayer Group	Oxford Church Centre
Wednesday 5 August	11:00am	SVdP Rangiora	Chervier Centre Rangiora
Saturday 8 August	10:00am	Kaiapoi Church Committee	St Patrick's Lounge Kaiapoi
Sunday 9 August	10:00am	Oxford Church Committee	Oxford Church Centre
Thursday 13 August	2:00pm	Kaiapoi Winter Warmer	St Patrick's Lounge Kaiapoi
Saturday 15 August	10:00am	EMHC meeting with Fr John	St Patrick's Lounge Kaiapoi

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.**

Next Week's Roster: 1st and 2nd August 18th 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	Doreen Lau Joan West	Maria Hassan Alphie Marcelino	
Welcome and POF	Francine Turner	Danny Nicholls	Pip and Oliver Wyatt
First reading Second reading	Marina Krijgsman Thecla Lill	Trish Hammersley Alma Russell	Kate Redwood
Gifts	Kay Spencer Annette Thom	Grafton family	Wendy and Pat Wiseman
EMHC	Anne Barwell Pat Spencer Bernie McCrossin	Bruce Houghton Mark Russell John Jenkins	Dawn Thompson
Altar Servers	Thomas Malin Thomas Borcoskie	Samuel Fahey Beren Fahey Jonty Swain	Matilda Burns Olivia Wyatt
Holy Stall/Projector			Josie Trolove
Counters		Elsbeth and Ron Gray Marian Brown	
Linen	Cathleen Lewis		Lin Fagan
Cleaners	Francine Turner Rachel Rayner Ann Martin Mary Columbus		Frahm Family Sarah Smith
Music	John and Olga	Brendan	
Morning Tea			
Flowers	Pauline Riddell		Isobel de Roo

AROUND THE DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH THIS WEEK:

DOVE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP – Christ the King Parish Centre, Greers Rd
8th August 1 – 3pm. Fr John Adams joins us to speak about Edith Stein – Sr Benedicta of the Cross. What a fascinating talk this will be. Fellowship - Prayer Ministry - Praise & Worship for woman of all ages! Ann: 03 3135817/DOVE Fellowship Christchurch (Facebook)/dove.org.nz

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

Ever wondered about what the church teaches on life, love, sex, gender and relationships and why? This intensive two and a half day course will answer your questions and equip you to help others do the same. **Youth aged 14-18 7th- 9th August**
Fri 7pm-9pm + Sat/Sun 9am-5pm St. Joseph's Parish Centre
Only \$35 per person, which includes lunch. If the cost is an issue, please get in contact with us. Email Aiber info@jp2.org.nz for more info or to register

Deacon Tang Phan Ordination to priesthood

After completing six and a half years study at the national seminary, Deacon Tang Phan has returned to Christchurch Diocese. He has taken up his first appointment at Greymouth Parish, assisting the parish priest, Father Mathew Siji. Deacon Tang will be ordained to the priesthood on **Saturday 22nd August, 11am** at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral. All are welcome to attend this special event in the life of the diocese. Please keep Deacon Tang in your prayers as he prepares for his ordination. As has happened for the other Vietnamese priests, we invite those who would like to, to send a monetary gift to Deacon Tang for his ordination. Contributions can be made as follows:

Account name: Catholic Diocese of Christchurch.

Account number: 03-0802-0948733-00. Please include the reference: Tang