



# ST PETER CHANEL PARISH

## CATHOLIC PARISH OF WAIMAKARIRI

ABLAZE WITH FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE

### *Fourth Sunday of LENT*

*"I am the light of the world, says the Lord  
whoever follows me will have the light of life"*



### *Rejoice! For the Lord has healed us...*

Huong Dinh

This Sunday is Laetare Sunday a liturgical celebration in the Catholic Church that takes place on the fourth Sunday of Lent, which falls around the middle of the Lenten season. The name "Laetare" comes from the Latin word for "rejoice," which is the first word of the entrance antiphon for the Mass on this day. Laetare Sunday is a day of celebration and a brief respite from the penitential character of Lent. The liturgical color for the day is rose, which symbolizes joy and hope in the midst of the Lenten season.

The readings for this Sunday emphasize themes of joy and consolation which are reflected in the eyes of David when he was anointed by Samuel; the joyful tones of psalm 22 "the Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want" and the overwhelming happiness of the blind man whom Jesus healed in the Gospel of John.

On a literal level, the Gospel story tells a miraculous healing of a man who had been blind since birth. However, the story can also be understood symbolically as an allegory for spiritual blindness. Spiritual blindness is a term used to describe our human condition in

which many of us are unable to perceive or understand spiritual truths or what God is doing in our lives.

It is the inability to see beyond the material world and the unwillingness to peel the next layer of the onion. Spiritual blindness can manifest in different ways, such as an inability to recognize or appreciate the beauty and wonder of nature, a lack of empathy or compassion towards others, or an over-reliance on material possessions and external circumstances for happiness and fulfilment.

We often take things for granted that we are blind to recognise God's love through the ordinariness of life. Looking through the window on a rainy day with a hot cup of tea or driving home to our loved ones after a long day at work or even waking up each morning. These are the very things that we ought to be grateful for.

Our Gospel this weekend presents us with the ultimate remedy to such blindness. It is JESUS who healed the physical eye of the man in the story and he is now healing our spiritual eyes. He opens our eyes to TRUST in him who is "our SHEPHERD and there is NOTHING we shall want."

#### PARISH PRAYER

Come Holy Spirit,  
Set us ablaze with  
**FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE**  
so that we might become  
a thriving Christian  
community where  
everyone  
is welcome.

Lead us to be joy-filled  
missionary disciples;  
fed by the EUCHARIST,  
growing in HOLINESS, and  
taking the GOSPEL to the  
people of Waimakariri.  
**COME HOLY SPIRIT.  
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COME HOLY SPIRIT.**

St. Peter Chanel,  
**PRAY FOR US.**

**LENTEN PRAYER INTENTION**  
*This LENT, let us pray for  
a particular intention:  
that we may be blessed  
in our decision-making  
regarding a new  
Church for our parish.*

3 Part Mini-Series  
CONNECT - WATCH - DISCUSS - PRAY

# Presence™

THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST

7pm-8:30pm Sun 12, 19, 26 March @Chervier Centre Lounge, Rangiora  
To register please email [admin@waimakariricatholic.org.nz](mailto:admin@waimakariricatholic.org.nz)




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CATHOLIC PARISH OF WAIMAKARIRI

## MASS TIMES

**SATURDAY VIGIL MASS**  
6:00pm - St Mary and St Francis de Sales (Chervier Centre) Rangiora

**SUNDAY MASSES**  
8:30am - Sacred Heart of Jesus Oxford  
9:00am - St Patrick's Kaiapoi  
10:30am - St Mary and St Francis de Sales (Chervier Centre) Rangiora  
**LATIN MASS 5:00pm - Rangiora**  
(1st & 3rd Sunday)

**WEEKDAY MASSES**  
Tuesday @7:00am in Rangiora (during Lent)  
Tuesday @9:00am in Rangiora  
Wednesday @9:00am in Rangiora  
@12:00pm in Kaiapoi  
@7:00pm in Oxford  
(1st & 3rd Wednesdays)  
Thursday @9:00am in Rangiora  
Friday @ 9:30am in Kaiapoi  
@12:00pm in Rangiora

**ADORATION RANGIORA**  
8:00-8:45am Tues, Wed, Thurs  
7:00-8:00pm Wednesday  
11:00-11:45am Friday

**RECONCILIATION**  
Saturday @9:00am in Kaiapoi  
Saturday @5:15-5:45pm in Rangiora  
The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at anytime by approaching the priest.

We pray that God will grant healing and recovery to the sick .


We pray for all the poor souls in purgatory and our love ones who have gone before us. May they rest in peace. Amen

We pray for our priests and vocations to the priesthood



## LENT, HOLY WEEK & EASTER LITURGY

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**



EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT | 7 PM

**in Kaiapoi and Rangiora**

**PALM SUNDAY: 2 April**  
6pm Vigil in Rangiora;  
8:30am Sunday in Oxford; 9am in Kaiapoi & 10:30am in Rangiora

**ANONING MASS**  
12pm Wed 22nd March in Kaiapoi  
12pm Friday 24th March in Rangiora

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Rite 1**  
7pm Thursday 30 March in Kaiapoi  
7pm Friday 31st March in Rangiora

**CHRISM MASS 3rd April**  
7:30pm at St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral

**HOLY THURSDAY 6th April**  
7pm Mass of the Last Supper at St Patrick's Church in Kaiapoi  
Procession  
Altar of Repose

**GOOD FRIDAY 7th April**  
10am Stations of the Cross in Kaiapoi, Oxford and Rangiora  
3pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion at St Patrick's Church in Kaiapoi

**HOLY SATURDAY 8th April**  
8pm Easter Vigil Mass in RANGIORA  
Note: No morning Mass in Kaiapoi & NO 6pm Mass in Rangiora

**CARITAS**

**Lenten Reflection Programme**

EVERY TUESDAY  
1:30PM AT THE CHURCH CENTRE IN OXFORD  
3PM AT THE PARISH HOUSE, 61 FULLER ST. KAIAPOI

Join the LENTEN Programme in **FORMED.ORG**

FORMED  
**Lent**

Go to [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup) → Select St Peter Chanel Parish 41 Victoria St, Rangiora Canterbury → Register your name and email address

### EASTER SUNDAY MASSES 9th April

8:30am in Oxford  
9:00am in Kaiapoi  
10:30am in Rangiora






When the angel came again to tell him that his family was in danger, he immediately left everything he owned, all his family and friends, and fled to a strange country with his young wife and the baby. He waited in Egypt without question until the angel told him it was safe to go back (Matthew 2:13-23).

## St Joseph


Feastday: March 19

Patron: of the Universal Church, unborn children, fathers, workers, travelers, immigrants, and a happy death



**Adoration**  
OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT  
Wednesday Nights  
7-8pm  
Chervier Centre  
Rangiora

During Lent, New Zealand's Catholic Bishops invite us to provide for the needs of the poor through the work of Caritas. Money raised through the Bishops' Lent Appeal helps fund both development and emergency relief work around the world.



the Lent appeal 2023  
Caritas AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND  
"I am the Light of the World"  
- John 8:12

Donate using the 6-weekly donation envelopes. One off donation envelopes are also available at the foyer. Alternatively, you can donate online at [www.caritas.org.nz](http://www.caritas.org.nz)  
Thank you for your generosity.



- Session 2: The Best Version of Yourself
- Session 3: God Sent Jesus to Save Us
- Session 4: Forgiveness and Healing
- Session 5: Your First Reconciliation

Can you help sponsor a child doing their First Holy Communion preparation? Your \$50 donation will go a long way ....We'd love to hear from you. Please contact the parish office on 03 313 6285 or email [admin@waimakariricatholic.org.nz](mailto:admin@waimakariricatholic.org.nz) Thank you for your generosity.


Sunday 19th March @5pm  
St Mary and St Francis de Sales Church  
Rangiora



**Latin Mass**  
CELEBRATED BY FR JOHN ADAMS

### St Patrick's Parish vs School Cricket Match

The Parish took out the trophy 82-59, their team was stacked with talented cricketers including Father Do this year!!!

**YOUR PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE CHURCH FOYER. THIS SET OF ENVELOPES WILL TAKE YOU TO THE END OF MARCH 2024.**

*Thank you*

**Tax Rebate for Donations: A reminder to parishioners that a tax rebate of 33% is claimable on donations made to the parish for the tax year ended 31 March 2023. If you are in a position to make an additional donation, it would be greatly appreciated.**

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027 344 0013

Kaiapoi Church Committee:  
Maryanne Brown - Chair

Oxford Church Committee  
Keith Harris - Chair

LENTEN SOUP Night : at St Patrick's Church: Fridays during LENT @5pm

Starts with half an hour Adoration and prayers. Bring your kids for the playground, a can for St Vincent de Paul and a gold coin for each family member. For those who wish to stay, Stations of the Cross starts @7pm.. If any families wish to help with preparing soup, bringing buns or organising something prayerful for these Fridays, please see someone from the Brunton or Holden family.



**Next Sunday's readings: Fifth Sunday of LENT 26 March**

**First reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14 Psalm : 129**

**Second Reading: Romans 8:8-11 Gospel: John 11:1-45**

**Chervier Ladies Social Group:**  
will meet on Wednesday 22nd March at the home of Jan Grounds, 125 Church Street, Rangiora @12 noon for a finger-food lunch. All ladies welcome. We will have a raffle and the competition will be a photo of you or your family taken at Christmas. Please phone Jan on 03 313 3294 or 027 617 3603

**St Vincent de Paul (SVDP) Lenten Almsgiving**  
During LENT, we are asking for assistance from our parish community in replenishing our resources, which are low at present. For weekends of  
18-19 March: tinned goods  
25-26 March: dried goods including biscuits,  
1-2 April: household cleaning goods for bathroom and kitchen, etc.

There will be baskets with SVDP signs in the foyer.  
Thank you for your generous and loving support.

**Parish meetings/Events: April**

Every Monday	7:30pm	Kaiapoi Men's Group	St Patrick's Lounge, Kaiapoi
Every Tuesday (during Lent)	1:30pm	Oxford Prayer Group Caritas Lenten Programme	Oxford Church Centre
Every Tuesday (during Lent)	3:00pm	Kaiapoi Caritas Lenten Programme	61 Fuller Street, Kaiapoi
1st & 3rd Monday	7:00am	Men's Breakfast	Black & White Cafe, Rangiora
Every Tuesday	1-3pm	SVDP Chanel Open Space	Chervier Centre, Rangiora
Every Wednesday	7:00pm	Adoration	Chervier Centre, Rangiora
Every Wednesday	7-8:30pm	ALPHA in Kaiapoi	St Patrick's Lounge, Kaiapoi
Every Thursday	7-8:30pm	ALPHA in Rangiora	Chervier Centre, Rangiora
Every Wednesday	7-9pm	RCIA	Chervier Centre, Rangiora
Every Friday	7:00am	Men's Breakfast & Lectio Divina	Chervier Centre, Rangiora
Every Friday	10:45am	Legion of Mary	Chervier Centre, Rangiora
Sunday 12 March	10am	Oxford Church Committee	Oxford Church Centre
Thursday 23 March	1:45pm	Rosary (home of Liz Jenkins)	70 Ivory Street, Rangiora
Saturday 25 March	10:00am	Kaiapoi Prayer Group	St Patrick's Lounge, Kaiapoi

**Cyclone Gabrielle**

Separate to the NZ Red Across Appeal, SVDP has started a national appeal to help the victims of the recent cyclones that have caused devastating loss in the largest and most widespread weather event ever to impact New Zealand.

The Society, through its conferences in the affected areas will provide financial help, food, clothing, furniture and advocacy assistance to those affected for as long as the recovery takes. Donations will be accepted at church or you can make a donation online to

**SVdP Rangiora Conference 03 0674 0097013 00**

**SVdP Kaiapoi Conference 02 0800 0901835 00**

listing **NZ Cyclone** in your bank reference.

Any donations made at church via the Mass collections should be placed in an envelope marked NZ Cyclone.

Our two local SVdP Conferences thank you for your consideration and concerns for our fellow North Islanders in these trying times and reiterate the words of our NZ President ... "loss is rapid but recovery is protracted. In situations like this the Society's role is not necessarily as first responder, but rather as long term support when other help starts to dry up". Our SVdP Appeal closes 30<sup>th</sup> May and tax receipts will be provided. **Contact Jenny Carter on 027 408 8535 or Maryanne Brown on 027 344 0013** for any help/concerns/queries with this Appeal.

**NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 25/26 MARCH 2023**

*Fifth Sunday of LENT*

	<b>RANGIORA SATURDAY 6PM</b>	<b>RANGIORA SUNDAY 10:30AM</b>	<b>KAIAPOI SUNDAY 9:00AM</b>	<b>OXFORD SUNDAY 9:30AM</b>
Mass C	Caroline Fahey	Sandra		
Greeters	Tricia de Haan Denyse Howell-Styles	Lisa Morton-Jones	Mary Carshalton Sr Gael Henry	Bernie Glassford
Welcome	Francine Turner	Michael Hickland	Kim Crawford	Vanessa Burns
POF	Francine Turner	Michael Hickland	Kim Crawford	Olivia Smith
Readers	Kyran Newell Nurani Kirana	Mark Russell Danny Nicholls	Matt O'Connell	Paulette Gouveia
Gifts	Basobas family	Rayner family	Trish Purtle Maryanne Brown	Wendy Wiseman
Altar Servers	Sam Fahey Nathaniel Malone Quinn Webb	Alex Milnes Oliver Kearns Jorge Kearns	Leo Paterson Patrick Woodnut	Matilda Burns Olivia Wyatt Poppy Wyatt
EMHC	Tony Mullally Pat Spencer Anne Barwell	Jemma Brunton Todd Swain Emilee Ng	Jo Powers Margaret Brosnan Angela Fordham	Josie Trolove
Music	Brendan Malone	Aaron Milnes	Jaque Culling	Fiona McAlpine
Counters		Alphie Marcelino Maria Hassan		
Linen	Cathleen Lewis		Jackie McDonald	Marie Thom
Holy Stall	Karin van Doorn	Liz & John Jenkins		
Sacristan	Lynda Sale	Alphie Marcelino	Jo Powers	
Cleaners	Lesley Wedlake Imogen Monaghan Carol Walsh		Margie Prisk Kirsten Tester	Josie Trolove Marlene Griffiths

feel connected and supported

# CHANEL OPEN SPACE

**TUESDAYS**  
1pm-3pm @Chervier Centre, Rangiora

-come along for fun, games and friendship-  
everyone from youngsters  
to youngsters at heart are welcome!

contact Jenny Wendy 021 047 3911

*Lectio Divina*

**and MEN'S BREAKFAST**

**Fridays @7am**  
**at the Chervier Centre**

*Come along to share the Gospel for the week and a breakfast.*  
*For more info contact John on 021 0264 4346*

