

CHURCH OF SS. PETER & PAUL, 60 Knights Road, Lower Hutt.

FILIPINO MASS: 12 noon, 1st Sunday.

SAMOAN MASS: 11am, 4th Sunday.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursdays, beginning at 7am through to 11pm.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays, 9.30am or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms in SS. Peter & Paul Church are held during any weekend Mass or on the 1st and 2nd Sundays of the month at 2pm. Please contact the church office 566-3088 for more information and to book.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

Sundays, at 4:30pm.

REMINDERS

• **LAST YEAR'S PALMS**

If you have any palms from last year, please bring them and put them in the basket in the Church foyer as they will be used to make this year's ashes.

• **ASH WEDNESDAY—14th February**

Masses at 7am, 9.15am & 12.10pm. Ecumenical Service at 7.30pm in SS. Peter & Paul Church.

• **FIRST RECONCILIATION PARENT MEETING**

Tuesday, 13th February, at 7.30pm, in the Chapel for all children who have been confirmed. All enquiries to Kathryn 027-6788865

CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate and wish Caroline & Peter Degerholm every blessing for their 25th Wedding Anniversary.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY

Pat Evans, Rita Hogan, Ngaire Leahy, Brian Lee, Min van den Kerkhof, Michael Vega & Renato Vega.

ANNIVERSARIES

Margaret Clare, Sr. Teresa Tierney & Howard Davies

CHURCH-ACTIVITIES

• **PLAYGROUP**

Every Thursday morning (term time only), 9.30am to 11.30am in the Church hall. For more details, please contact the Playgroup Coordinator, Jo Edwards 566-1447.

• **ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

Meetings are held on Mondays, 7.30pm to 8.30pm and Wednesdays, 11am to 1pm.

WE ALSO HAVE...

CHILDREN'S ROOM IN THE CHURCH

There is a room with toys and books available at the south end of the church for parents to use if needed.

BOOKSTALL

Tui Motu available. Also New Sunday Missals at \$15 each, There are also a good selection of Rosaries, medals & prayer books.

LIBRARY

A good selection of books. Please remember to return Library books when you have finished reading them. Returned books should be deposited in the box labeled "RETURNS" on the shelf in the library.

PARISH OF TE AWAKAIRANGI —SCHEDULE OF MASSES

REGULAR SUNDAY MASS TIMES

	St Bernadette	St. Martin de Porres	St. Michael	SS. Peter & Paul
Saturday Vigil	-	-	-	6pm
Sunday	10am	8.30am	10.30am	9am 5.30pm
12th -17th February 2018 WEEKDAY MASS TIMES				
	St. Bernadette	Martin de Porres	St Michael	SS. Peter & Paul
Monday	-	9am	-	7am*
Tuesday	12 noon	9am	-	7am & 12.10pm
Ash Wednesday	9am (Hall) 7pm(Ecumenical Service in Church)	9am	9.30am (Church) 7pm(Church)	7am, 9.15am & 12.10pm 7.30pm (Ecumenical service in the Church)
Thursday	9am	-	-	7am
Friday	-	-	9am (Chapel)	7am & 12.10pm
Saturday	-	-	-	9am

*Denotes Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
**Note the Chapel is in the Presbytery at 21 Tocker Street



PASTORAL TEAM

- Fr. Patrick Bridgman
- Mrs. Barbara Rowley
- Fr. David Orange
- Fr. Patrick Greally
- Fr. Cirilo Barlis
- Fr. Joy Thottankara

CHURCH COMMUNITIES

- St. Bernadette**
Telephone: 567-8074
- St. Martin de Porres**
Telephone: 567-8013
- St. Michael**
Telephone: 976-8409
- SS. Peter & Paul**
Telephone: 566-3088

SCHOOLS

- St. Bernadette, Naenae.**
Telephone: 567-8056
Principal: Jo Buckley
- St. Michael, Taita.**
Telephone: 567-1514
Principal: Cate Wafer
- SS. Peter & Paul**
Lower Hutt.
Telephone: 569-5759
Principal: Kay Tester

COLLEGES

- St. Bernard's College**
Lower Hutt. T: 560-9250
Principal: Simon Stack
- Sacred Heart College**
Lower Hutt. T 566-1089
Principal: Maria Potter

PARISH OFFICE

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TE AWAKAIRANGI

A Catholic Parish of The Archdiocese of Wellington
Website: teawakairangi.nz

Reading: *Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Mark 1:40-45*
Responsorial Psalm: *I turn to you, Lord in time of trouble and you fill me with the joy of salvation.*

FROM THE DESKS OF THE PASTORAL TEAM

Dear Friends,

LENT: A SEASON OF GRACE

Come Wednesday, 14th February 2018! A day people who are in a relationship look forward to. A day, when people pledge their love and commitment to each other. For us, Catholics, this day this year coincides with another important day. It is 'Ash Wednesday'! a day to pledge our love and loyalty to God.

Lent is traditionally described as lasting for forty days, in commemoration of the forty days Jesus spent in the desert. It is the Christian season of preparation before Easter. Each year Lent is our opportunity to receive God's grace afresh and to respond to it. The work of Lent is well summed up in the three practices: prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

The English word 'Lent' is a shortened form of the word 'Lenten' meaning 'spring season'. It is a season that gives us a chance

to spring up in our spiritual life, our relationship with the Lord. Lent gives us time to consider our response to the Gospel's call to love of God and our neighbour.

It is a season of grace that invites us to fast from what distracts us from charity and to plunge ourselves into acts of charity that would re-enforce our love and loyalty to God and to one another.

Our Lenten prayer, therefore, is one of repentance for sins which fail to meet the demands of charity. It asks for a change of heart. It calls for an affirmation of love, that God might restore in us the heart of Christ, bestowed at Baptism.

Let us journey with the suffering Jesus Christ during this season of grace, stay with him, talk to him and re-affirm our love that we become a true reflection of the unseen Christ to those around us.

Happy Lenten Season!

Fr. Joy Thottankara.

LENTEN SERVICES

ASH WEDNESDAY



AVALON

Mass at 9am

NAENAE

School Mass at 9am (Hall)

Ecumenical service at 7pm
(St. Bernadette's Church)

LOWER HUTT

Masses at 7am, 9.15am and 12.10pm

Ecumenical service at 7.30pm (SS. Peter & Paul's Church)

TAITA

Masses at 9.30am and 7pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



NAENAE

7pm beginning on Friday, 23rd February.

LOWER HUTT

7pm beginning Friday, 16th February.

TAITA

5.30pm: Tokelauan, 6pm: Samoan.

Reconciliation available after the Stations.



Next Sunday's Readings: Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15.

PARISH NOTICES

• ART EXHIBITION—SOARING WITH ORANGE

You are most welcome to "Soaring with Orange," an art exhibition depicting seascapes and landscapes of New Zealand by Fr. David Orange, at the Odlin Gallery on Myrtle street, **up to 18th February 2018 between 10am and 5pm.** Come and see!!! Proceeds to Sr. Goretti's Mission to the poor in Nigeria.

• MARIAN MOTHERS

The New Year brings us again to our monthly meetings of mothers and grandmothers. If you would like to join us or have any queries, please contact Brenda 027-4676057.

• SPIRITUAL FITNESS:

Would you like to be fit physically and spiritually? We are looking at a way of implementing the *Lectio Divina* model that was recently introduced. We intend to meet in the car park on Market Grove (off Woburn Road) on **Saturday, 17th February, at 10:30am**, for around 30 minutes. We will read a couple of verses from the Gospel for the following Sunday, spend a couple of minutes meditating on the reading and then walk in silence along the Hutt River, for as long as one may want to, and at a

pace that suits, while contemplating the reading. For further details, contact Aren 027 513 0748.

• COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEKEND, February 4, 2018

Planned Gifting	\$6,358
Other	\$ 768
TOTAL	\$7,126

• NEW PARISHIONERS -A VERY WARM WELCOME!

We would love you to fill in a New Parishioner form that is available in the Church foyers. Please make yourself known by visiting the Parish or Church offices.

• IF YOU OR ANYONE YOU KNOW IS AT THE HOSPITAL OR HOSPICE OR IN AN EMERGENCY

If you or someone you know is in the hospital or hospice and would like to see a priest or receive Holy Communion, please ensure you put your religion (*Roman Catholic*) on the *Admission Form*. Parishioners who are ill or housebound are requested to contact their nearest Church so a Priest can visit. In emergencies, please dial 027-4501175 for the Priest-on-call.

EVENTS IN OUR PASTORAL AREA

CHILDREN OF GOD" MONTHLY PRAYER GROUP

Parishioners are warmly invited to join in an evening embracing Reconciliation, Mass, supper and friendship at Verna & Chris' home, 49 Cudby Street, Woburn on **Ash Wednesday, 14th February at 7pm** (Ashes will be distributed). Need a lift? Telephone 971-1660

EVENTS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

• YOUNG CHURCH MINISTRIES

THE WAY: The family & Young Church Team announce the arrival of a Young Adult Formation Programme for 18-35 year olds in the Wellington Archdiocese. *The Way* asks only that you be open to your travelling companion's perspectives as we visit and unpack issues and topics of everyday concern and interest to today's young adult Catholic. Most sessions will take place on the first Sunday of each month (with three exceptions). Sessions will usually last for two hours. There will be also be one overnight retreat held in April. The majority of the sessions will take place at The Catholic Centre, 2230 Hill Street, Thorndon, Wellington. To find out more, head to thewaywgtn.weebly.com for more information and to 'book a ticket' Registrations open till end of February and the **first session will kick off on 4th March.**

END OF LIFE BILL FORUM: Everyone's talking about euthanasia and it may well seem fair enough. *it's my life and if it all eventually looks too hard, shouldn't I have the right to say when it ends?* Our faith seems to have a very tough stance on this – but why? Aren't we just being unrealistic and old-school? On **Wednesday, 14th February, from 7pm at Connolly Hall, Thorndon**, there will be a forum for and with young people to explore your questions and the issues involved. It's all far too important to chuck in the 'too hard' basket – come and see what it's all about and how reasonable and caring our Catholic perspective actually is. Join us on **Wednesday** to discuss this pressing issue.

• JOSHUA, CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Open invitation to men and women, both older and younger for Mass followed by supper (please bring some

finger food to share!) on **Thursday, 15th February, at 7.30pm, in Sacred Heart Cathedral, Thorndon.** For details, please contact John 027-6777225 or email johnsandra@slingshot.co.nz.

• EASTER TRIDUUM SERIES LITURGICAL WORKSHOP

An evening workshop looking at the liturgical celebration of Holy Thursday—a wonderful opportunity to experience interactive formation for liturgical teams and indeed anyone who would like to explore more the

liturgical celebration of Holy Thursday. The workshop will offer practical suggestions and opportunities for questions and sharing. **Thursday, 22nd February, 7pm-9pm (hot drinks available from 6.45pm), 1st floor Cafeteria, at the Catholic Centre, 22-30 Hill Street, Thorndon.**

• DOVE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Beginning this year on **Saturday, 17th February, at 1.15pm, in Connolly Hall, Thorndon.** All women welcome.

CHURCH OF ST. BERNADETTE, 194 Naenae Road, Naenae.

REMINDERS

ASH WEDNESDAY—14th February

School Mass at 9am in the hall. Ecumenical Service at 7pm, in St. Bernadette's Church.

• SAMOAN MASS

No Mass this month.

• EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursdays, following the 9am Mass to 10.15am.

• RECONCILIATION

By appointment.

• SAMOAN SUNDAY SCHOOL

1st and 3rd Sundays at 11am, resuming in March 2018.

HELP WANTED

If you can help with washing the altar linen, please inform Barbara.

ANNIVERSARIES

Maureen Burnley, Alexandra McEusan, Milton Futter, June Wallis.

CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN DE PORRES, 6 Park Avenue, Avalon.

POLISH MASS

Sundays, at 11.30am.

REMINDER

• OFFICE HOURS

The Church Office at St Martin de Porres is open between 9am and midday on **Monday and Wednesday** each week. Fr David Orange is in residence from **Saturday to Wednesday** each week.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Our first meeting of the year will be held on **Tuesday, 13th February, at 7pm in the church hall.** New members are welcome. Enquiries to John 567-6777.

• AVALON CHURCH COMMITTEE

Parishioners can contact the Church Committee by email at stmartinsavalon@gmail.com.

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, 21 Tocker Street, Taita.

REMINDERS

ASH WEDNESDAY –14th February

School Mass will be held on **Wednesday, 14th February at 9.30am, in the Church. Evening Mass will be held at 7pm, in the Church.**

• SAMOAN MASS

1st Sunday of the month

LECTIO DIVINA AND CENTERING PRAYER

Our 4 Church communities are warmly invited to St. Michael's Presbytery, to learn and practice *Lectio Divina* and/or centering prayer during Lent. Sessions commence on **Friday, 16th February, at 7.30pm** and will be an hour in length. Sessions will be led by Eileen McParland, a trained

leader in contemplative practice.

FIRST RECONCILIATION ENROLMENTS

All parents wishing to enrol pupils from Year 4 upwards in the Sacramental programme for this year, please contact St. Michael's school office or telephone Srs. Ruth or Frances 973-7381 to obtain an enrolment form. Reconciliation classes begin on Wednesdays at the end of February.

ANNIVERSARIES

Gaseata Tau, Frank O'Gorman, George Blane, James Kilbride and Hugh Fowler.

ST. MICHAEL'S SHOP

Open every 2nd Sunday before 10.30am Mass.