



The Parishioner

St Mary's Parish, Nelson
PENTECOST - 11 May 2008

How beautiful is the thought that the Holy Spirit lives within us. St Paul reminds the Corinthian community of this fact when he asks, "Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?" (I Cor 3:16). It is the Holy Spirit who develops our intimacy with God. "God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts crying, 'Abba! Father!' (Gal 4:6). "God's love has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit who has been given to us" (Rom 5:5). "No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord,' except by the Holy Spirit" (I Cor 12:3). Moreover, we know that it is the Holy Spirit who teaches us to pray (Rom 8:26).

The Spirit of God, who was breathed into the first disciples, still breathes in all who believe and daily inhale the ever-present grace and power that are Jesus' living legacy. Without breath, there is no life. Without the Spirit, the church is a field of dry, dead bones. Fulton J. Sheen once said about the Church, "Even though we are God's chosen people, we often behave more like God's frozen people--frozen in our prayer life, frozen in the way we relate with one another, frozen in the way we celebrate our faith."



Today is a great day to ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle in us the spirit of new life and enthusiasm, the fire of God's love. Let us repeat Cardinal Newman's favourite little prayer, "Come Holy Spirit:"

"Come Holy Spirit
Make our ears to hear
Make our eyes to see
Make our mouths to speak
Make our hearts to seek
Make our hands to reach out
And touch the world with your love. AMEN."

Fr Raymond

ACCOMMODATION NEEDED

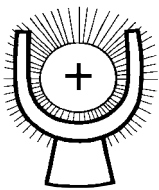
Long-term rent wanted by mature lady with excellent references.
Two bedroom house close to town if possible, preferably in the
Wood area. Please phone Mary-Anne 548 9262



YOU are invited to the Presbytery
7.00 - 8.30pm Mondays for
QUESTIONS, ANSWERS AND DISCUSSION
on The Spiritual Understanding of Our Faith

READERS ROSTERED FOR NEXT SUNDAY
at 10.00 am Mass

will please give way to the children of St Joseph's lower
syndicate who will lead us in celebration that day.



SHORT SPIRITUAL TALKS AND BENEDICTION
Sunday Evenings 7.00 - 8.00 pm
Join the WYD pilgrims in their spiritual preparation.
Spend time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament

AN APOLOGY

for the poor quality of recent newsletters. We are arguing with
the photocopier ! Problems hopefully to be solved this week.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

- **the sick**
- **those Confirmed this weekend**
- **the recently deceased:**
- Elizabeth Johnstone (mthr of Cathie), Kathleen Ellis, Mary Mockett, Joe Kelly
- **those whose anniversaries are near:** Mary White, Nancy Eathorne, Gerald Fletcher, Colin Chapman, Malvin Connolly, Sue Tohill, Norma Cook, Kevin Charles Kearns
- **dec'd Parish family members:** Giuseppe and Teresa Albano, Tony Amitrano



CONGRATULATIONS and
PRAYERFUL BEST WISHES

Andrew Challis
who was Baptised, Confirmed and
received Eucharist for the first time
last Sunday.
Welcome to our newest Catholic.

Arthur Challis
Leo Foley
Matthew Fritz

also Baptised last Sunday

and being Confirmed this weekend
by Archbishop John Dew along with

Adrian Ransfield Anthony Romano
Buda Szerelem-Tolnay

Courtney Lott Dominic Bunt

Emma Jonas
James Renwick
Karl Emms
Lisetta Darroch
Ruby Jones



Sarah Kaiser

Hannah Edmonds
Joseph Edmonds
Lily McIntosh
Naoisha Barr
Samuel McIlroy

Senna Dodd

Will Hewitt



REGIONAL YOUTH MASS

7.00pm - Sunday 25th May - St. Francis' Stoke
Great Youth Band. Supper .

Bring a plate, a gold coin and a friend.. See You There

COULD YOU SPONSOR A GARIN STUDENT ?

Twelve Garin students go to Napier on Fri 16 May to compete over the weekend for the O'Shea Shield - a speech, debate and religious questions competition for Catholic secondary students in the Wellington and Palmerston North Dioceses. We are looking for sponsors for these students who are struggling to meet the approx \$200 expenses involved. Some of them are already trying to raise money to attend WYD in Sydney. If you are able to help in any way, please contact Leonie Haines at the school office on 543-9488.

SIT VAC

Garin College BOT needs a minute secretary for monthly Board meetings. This is a paid position of approx 8-10 hours per month. Contact Leonie Haines ph 543-9488 or fax 543-9489 for more information and an application pack.



Do you want to critically analyse society and work for a more just world? Come to a **SOCIAL ANALYSIS WORKSHOP** facilitated by Fr Kevin Barr (Fiji) at Richmond 30 May – 1 June

Reg forms in porch, info on notice board or contact 04 4961701 or m.hepburn@wn.catholic.org.nz

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

are still short of warm blankets and bedding.
Do you have some you no longer use ?



RAINBOW PRAISE

MANY PEOPLE, MANY SONGS

2.30pm - NEXT Sunday May 18
Nelson Cathedral



Parishioners from all churches are warmly invited
to an afternoon of songs of praise
from Nelson's various Christian Ethnic Communities
including visiting Pacific Islanders helping harvest
our fruit AND our own

ST MARY'S FILIPINO CHOIR (incl Fr Raymond)

Organised by Nelson's Multi-Ethnic Council to
bring together different people who normally
sing as part of their worship but who are rarely
heard outside of their own communities.

Please come to mix and mingle
and show hospitality by providing food afterwards.

We will start making sandwiches
at the Cathedral at 2.00pm on the Sat 17 May,
if you can help with that.

JUSTICE AND PEACE CORNER

The Fifth Principle of the Social Teaching of the Catholic Church:

- 5) **THE PRINCIPLE OF PARTICIPATION:** People have a right and a duty to participate in society, seeking together the well-being of all, especially the poor and the vulnerable. Everyone has the right not to be shut out from participating in those institutions necessary for human fulfilment, such as work, education and political participation.

BURMA/MYANMAR CYCLONE APPEAL

Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand is raising funds to assist in the immediate aftermath and recovery from Cyclone Nargis in Burma/Myanmar. One million plus people are in need of shelter and immediate assistance. Caritas will work through partners in the region to provide immediate relief and help in the longer-term rehabilitation that will be needed. Donations to the work may be made by:

- Phoning **0800 22 10 22** (during office hours) to donate a specified amount by credit card;
- Phoning **0900 4 11 11** to automatically donate \$20 through your telephone account;
- Donating online using a credit card at www.caritas.org.nz;
- Posting a cheque to: **Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand, PO Box 12-193, Thorndon, Wellington 6144.**

DOVE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP WEEKEND

Christchurch 23-25 May. See notice in church porch.

Contacts: Margaret 545-2554, Cristina 548-7593

MAHITAHI CATHOLIC OVERSEAS VOLUNTEERS

urgently requires a Plumber for East New Britain, PNG (min 3 months); also a builder for PNG (1 year). For these and other vacancies visit www.mahitahi.org, email Chrisina@mahitahi.org or ph Christina 07 8554699. Also See Noticeboard.

TAIZE PRAYER

A quiet, reflective, gentle hour of scripture, songs and prayer.
at St Francis', Stoke - 7 30 pm THIS Tues 13 May

WYD FUNDRAISER



Advanced Dental "Cosmetic Clean"

Cost \$59-00 - of which \$30-00 goes to WYD
(30 spaces available) Please mention WYD
fundraiser when booking. Phone 548 4675



WYD PREPARATION SESSIONS

All NZ WYD pilgrims are required to attend
six Preparation Sessions

to prepare you both practically and spiritually for World Youth Day.
The 6 hour-and-a-quarter sessions will run weekly for 6 weeks with
Nelson, Stoke and Richmond Parishes running the same session
on different days which means that if you can't make it to your
local parish session, there are two alternatives.

Session Details:

Nelson (Presbytery) **Mondays** 7pm - starting Mon **12th May**

Stoke (Parish rooms) **Wednesdays** 7pm - starting Wed **14th May**

Richmond (Parish rooms) **Thursdays** 7pm - start Thurs **15th May**

FINAL FUNDRAISER FOR NELSON WYD PILGRIMS



THIS Friday 16th May 7-30pm
St Joseph's Hall \$10/person

Wine and beer to purchase
Nibbles and supper provided

Quiz Master: **Teresa O'Connor.**

Great prizes to be won

Get a table of 8 together or we can find you a team

Tickets sold after Masses or phone
Gerry and Gabrielle Quin 5466515
or Graham and Mary Warner 5489422

We would appreciate **offers** of items for **prizes**
or funds to help purchase them.

*Thank you for your continued support to enable our youth
to take this wonderful opportunity to deepen their Faith*

PARISH CLERGY

Fr Raymond Soriano (PP), Fr Lou Leuthard

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Shop: 77 Vanguard St; Mon - Fri: 10.00am-3.30pm 548 9372

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

Principal: Mike Burton

548 4050

GARIN COLLEGE

Principal: John Boyce

543 9488

REGULAR PARISH SERVICES**RECONCILIATION**

After Saturday 10am Mass or by Appointment Ph 546 8442

ROSARY

Before Tues - Thurs 12.05pm and after Sat 10.00am Masses

EXPOSITION

Fridays: 11am-noon;

THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND READINGS*(except where a Requiem replaces the Mass of the Day)***Mon - 8.00am - Nereus and Achilleus - Jas 1: 1-11/ Ps 119: 67-72. 75-76/ Mk 8: 11-13****Tue - 12.05pm - Our Lady of Fatima - Jas 1: 12-18/ Ps 94: 12-15. 18-19/ Mk 8: 14-21****Wed - 12.05pm - Matthias - Acts 1: 15-17. 20-26/ Ps 113: 1-8/ Jn 15: 9-17****Thur - 12.05pm - Isidore the Farmer - Jas 2: 1-9/ Ps 34: 2-7/ Mk 8: 27-33****Fri - 12.05pm - Jas 2: 14-24. 26/ Ps 112: 1-6/ Mk 8: 34 - 9: 1****Sat - 10.00am - Jas 3: 1-10/ Ps 12: 2-3. 4-5. 7-8/ Mk 9: 2-13****Sat (Vigil) - 6.00pm****Sun - 8.30am, 10.00am****THE HOLY TRINITY**

Ex 34: 4b-6. 8-9/ Dn 3: 52- 56 (52b)/ 2 Cor 13: 11-13/ Jn 3: 16-18

ROSTERS			
Counter	Nola Manson	Gifted last wk (excl APs): Hse - \$368 Parish - \$737	
Vacuuming	12-17 May	E Adamson, G Wratt	
17-18/5/08	6.00pm	8.30am	10.00am
Music			
Greeters	S Affleck, E Adamson	F Andrews, J van der Laan	M Cairns, R Brown
Readers	B Tohill, S Williams	G Dunning, E van den Elzen	School Lower syndicate
Ministers of the Eucharist	L Wright, P and P Palmer A Bakulich, E Smith	Greaney, S Ellis, P Preston, K Curtis, A McAlpine - <i>ALL CS</i> ; M Pike - <i>HOSP</i>	H Robinson, P Schipper, A and M Achterberg, J McInerney