



The Parishioner

St Mary's Parish, Nelson

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 15 July 2007

THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Henry John Jones has gone home to the "many rooms" prepared for by Our Father last Sunday. His funeral was in Greymouth on Thursday. It was great that we also had a chance to farewell him with the Eucharistic celebration that had been the source of his strength and deep faith. He was a man who was always ready to go beyond himself to lend a helping hand. Even in his sickness and pain, he never wavered if there was something he could share. He is that "good Samaritan" along the way.

This Sunday, the Persico Passionist Family Group is celebrating its thirteenth birthday. The members are even putting up a "cuppa" for those attending the 10 am Mass which they are sponsoring. As we congratulate them, we also wish them God's choicest blessings as they continue with their ministry of supporting one another and in their desire to extend this ministry to others. Your love for one another, your kindness and generosity, these in practice bring the "good Samaritan" in all of us. Happy birthday, and thank you!

Pope Benedict XVI, in his first Encyclical *Deus Caritas Est* shares a timely reminder as we ask the question, "Who is my neighbour?" He exhorts us to go back to the essence of our Christian calling, which is none other than to love. Indeed, random acts of kindness, little they may be, help God prepare rooms in his kingdom for all "good Samaritans."

Keep smiling. God loves you all!

- Fr Raymond



ST VINCENT DE PAUL
meets Tuesday - 2.00pm - Parish Centre

VACANCY AT THE GROVE

The Grove is the Marist Brothers' Young Adult Community in Lower Hutt. In recent weeks two members have left- one young woman to a first teaching position and one young man returning to his family up the Coast. This leaves two vacancies. Anyone interested in finding out more about this could contact Brs Doug Dawick or Keiran Fenn (04) 496 972 6926 or email: brdoug@paradise.net.nz or kieranfenn@hotmail.com

GARIN HOSTEL QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 28 July 7pm in the Garin gym. Come along and support the hostel building programme. Teams of 8 at \$12 per head - if you are not able to make up a team, let us know and we'll make up a team for you. Tickets available at the school office or phone Leonie or Shona on 543-9488. It will be a great fun night - a splash of colour to brighten up the winter!!

PLEASE PRAY FOR

the sick esp Francis Maloney

the recently deceased: John Jones,
Jo McFarlane (Blm)

those whose anniversaries are near:

Patrick McKinley, Ellen Debenham, Bill Day,
Dominico Lauria

deceased family members: Allan Baker





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Circular Letter to South Island Parishes of the Archdiocese

Dear Parishioners of Nelson

Some months ago I was approached by the Garin College Hostel Trust who were looking for ways to raise funds in order to build a third hostel at Garin College.

I told the Trust that I was prepared to write a letter to be distributed to individual parishioners asking them to consider supporting the Hostel Trust by way of an interest-free loan for a fixed period. I am delighted to do this on behalf of the Trust and ask that you give some consideration to this request. If you are in a position to help by making funds available or if you have money invested elsewhere, would you please consider making an interest-free loan to Garin College Hostel Trust. This would be a practical way of supporting the very fine work of the College and Catholic education in the South Island part of the Archdiocese.

If you are able to help, would you please contact Mr Phil Donaldson, Chair of the Garin College Hostel Trust (C/- Garin College, 35 Champion Rd, Richmond, Nelson 7020). All monies received for this appeal will be acknowledged by me as your Archbishop in gratitude for your support of Catholic education in the Archdiocese.

With my sincere thanks for giving this proposal your consideration, and with every good wish and blessing.

Yours sincerely

+ John A Dew
Archbishop of Wellington

PRIEST

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PARISH CONTACTS

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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; Second Sunday each month: 4 - 5pm

THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND READINGS*(except where a Requiem replaces Mass of the Day)*

Mon - 8.00am - Our Lady of Mount Carmel - Ex 1: 8-14. 22; Mt 10: 34 - 11: 1

Tue - 12.05pm - Ex 2: 1-15a; Mt 11: 20-24

Wed - 12.05pm - Ex 3: 1-6. 9-12; Mt 11: 25-27

Thur - 12.05pm - Ex 3: 13-20; Mt 11: 28-30

Fri - 12.05pm - Apollinaris - Ex 11: 10 - 12: 14; Mt 12: 1-8

Sat - 10.00am - Lawrence of Brindisi - Ex 12: 37-42; Mt 12: 14-21

Sat (Vigil) - 6.00pm

Sun 8.30am, 10.00am

July 22 **SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****Gn 18: 1-10a; Col 1: 24-28; Luke 10: 38-42****LITURGY ROSTERS**

Counter	J Scott ?	Gifted last wk (incl APs): Hse \$ Parish \$	
Vacuuming	M Towers, M Lenihan		
21-22/7/07	Sat Mass - 6.00pm	Sun Mass - 8.30am	Sun Mass - 10.00am
Music	Organ	Choir	
Greeters	B Small, M Keppel	V and K de Courcy	Bateup family
Readers	Newman, E van den Elzen	I Paterson, A McDowall	R Barber, G Quin
Ministers of the Eucharist	M Pike, P Cronin, A and P McBride, S Schryvers	D Fisk, P van den Elzen, van Deursen, Monti, Bentley, <i>All CS; Bakulich - Hosp</i>	Achterberg, N Affleck, K Cleary, A Oertly, P Robertson
Library	M Ralfe		