



The Parishioner

St Mary's Parish, Nelson

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 19 August 2007

NOT PEACE BUT DIVISION

An earlier passage from the Book of Jeremiah says, "Your message is like fire burning deep within me (20:19)." The cost of following God's word experienced by the prophet as a life so marked with suffering and opposition points to the division Jesus brings: "I came to throw fire on this earth and how much I desire to see it burning" (Lk 12:49)



The last couple of weeks have given me an experience of people on fire. The first group are the members of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) as they gathered to concretise the vision and mission of the Parish. The PPC acknowledges with gratitude not only the leadership of the existing groups in the community but also individual volunteers in the service of the community. One such example is Diana Clark for the archives. **The PPC invites you all to look at the possibility of the Parish Library as the place for them.**

The second group are the parents of those preparing for Confirmation. They have voiced out the often-repeated call of offering an opportunity to bring back programmes and activities for the youth of the community. To this end, **the Youth Committee of the PPC will be organising a monthly Youth and Family Mass, the first of which will be the 6pm Eucharistic Celebration on (Saturday) the 15th of September.**

If no one is ever offended by the quality of our commitment to Christ, that commitment is not authentic and if our individual and communal living of the good news casts no fire and causes no division, then perhaps we are practicing "inoffensive Christianity." (Anthony Kadavil, XX Sunday Homily Outlines)

- Fr Raymond

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Got yours from the foyer yet ?

NEXT REGIONAL YOUTH MASS

Sunday 26 August, 7pm, St Francis of Assisi
Live Youth Band, Fantastic Food. Bring a friend, gold coin and
some fantastic food to share. See you there!

To celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Beatification of
our founder Frederick Ozanam, the St Vincent de Paul
Society invites Parishioners THIS Thurs 23 Aug to
12.05PM MASS AND SOUP & SANDWICHES
lunch in the church foyer.



The Knights of the Southern Cross invite Parishioners to
MORNING TEA AFTER 10,00AM MASS TODAY

VILLA MARIA PAST PUPILS

Mercy Day Celebrations-Nelson - 22-23 September 2007
All members and partners welcome.
For details please contact Madeleine Ph/fax 03 548 1331

PLEASE PRAY FOR

the sick

the recently deceased: Dorothy Maplesden,
Maria Mollo (Wgtn), Tony McIntyre, Benedeto
Esposito (Wgtn),

those whose anniversaries are near: Michelangelo
Lauria, Margaret Fisher, Percy Willis, Aldo Cuccurullo,
Roy Christall, Robert Wares, Ian Schaab, Kathleen
Glencross, Lloyd Hunter, Peter Harris,

deceased family members: John and Honorah Lowry,
Andrew Nicholas, Andrew Miller, Betty Armit,
Gennaro and Tina Cuccurullo, Joseph Tatlock,
Cora Brosnahan, Frank McBride



Paddy and Francis Day and staff invite you to join them for

**LUNCH AND THE DEDICATION OF
A NEW LEADLIGHT WINDOW**

at Marsden House on Saturday 25 August.

Mons John Broadbent and Bp Peter Sutton will
bless the window after lunch at 12 noon.

**SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL -
SITUATION VACANT**

A paid part-time youth worker position is available working with
the Vinnies groups operating in our local Catholic schools.

The successful applicant will work with youth throughout the
district to instil in them a spirit of charitable service to those in
need. For information contact Michael Alder 544 7178

WANTED - WILLING GARDEN LOVER

to help parishioner care for medium sized garden incl small
lawn. Terms, times etc negotiable. Phone Sandra 548 5644

GOD'S VOICEMAIL

Further copies of Fr Raymond's homily notes from a couple
of weeks back are available in the church foyer today .

MISSING MUSIC

Peter Mellor from Garin College left some music books ("Spirit"
was one of them) and sheets in the church on the night of the
Icon Youth Mass. If anyone knows where they are,
please phone Peter on 021 212 1133

Convent Past Pupils Assocn's next outing is a

MYSTERY BUS TOUR ON SAT 1 SEPTEMBER

Departs: 10.30am - Trafalgar Centre carpark; 10.45 - Main Rd
Stoke Tennis Courts; 11am - Washbourn Gardens, Richmond.

Cost: \$20 plus extra \$5-15 for lunch. Bring a Friend.

Phone Sandra 03 546 7888 to book by Tue 28 Aug Please.

PRIEST

Fr Raymond Soriano

PRESBYTERY

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PARISH SECRETARY

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PARISH WEBSITE

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PARISH CONTACTS**ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

Shop: 77 Vanguard St;

548 9372 All hours

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 - Bernard - Jgs 2: 11-19; Mt 19: 16-22

Tue - 12.05pm - Pius X - Jgs 6: 11-24; Mt 19: 23-30

Wed - 12.05pm - Queenship of the BVM - Jgs 9: 6-15; Mt 20: 1-16

Thur - 12.05pm - Rose of Lima - Jgs 11: 29-39a; Mt 22: 1-14

Fri - 12.05pm - Bartholomew - Rv 21: 9b-14; Jn 1: 45-51

Sat - 10.00am - Louis of France, Joseph Calasanz - Ru 2: 1-3. 8-11; 4: 13-17; Mt 23: 1-12

Sat (Vigil) - 6.00pm

Sun - 8.30am, 10.00am TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 66: 18-21; Heb 12: 5-7. 11-13; Lk 13: 22-30

LITURGY ROSTERS

Counter	L Palmer ?	Gifted last wk (incl APs): Hse \$1019 Parish \$2058	
Vacuuming	L Del Favero, R Brown		
25-26/08/07	Sat Mass - 6.00pm	Sun Mass - 8.30am	Sun Mass - 10.00am
Music	Organ	Organ	Guitar
Greeters	C Rivers, S Affleck	T and J McInerney	M Musso, B Gargiulo
Readers	G Knottenbelt, A Oertly	L Palmer, F Andrews	Confirmation prepn
Ministers of the Eucharist	M Cameron, M Smith, P Palmer, P Palmer, B Tohill	K Curtis, Dimas, E Smith, Schryvers, Ellis - <i>All CS</i> ; A Bakulich - <i>Hosp</i>	M Warner, D Fisk, H Robinson, M Lagrutta, K Curtis
Library	L Garwood		