



# *The Parishioner*

St Mary's Parish, Nelson

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 2 September 2007

## **THE PERFECT FATHER**

I DO know Someone who is the PERFECT Father--God Himself, our Heavenly Father. He meets every qualification for the task--listen to His words and see!

"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!...

(1 John 3:1 NIV)."

### **F** aithful!

"Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful (Hebrews 10:23 NIV)."

### **A** lways there!

'God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you" (Hebrews 13:5 NIV)'

### **T** rustworthy!

"...Not one word has failed of all the good promises he gave through his servant Moses...(1 Kings 8:56 NIV)."

### **H** onoring!

"Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor those who serve me (Jn 12:26 )"

### **E** ver-loving!

"...I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with loving-kindness (Jeremiah 31:3 NIV)."

### **R** ighteous!

"The LORD is righteous in all his ways and loving toward all he has made (Psalm 145:17 NIV)."

### **S** upportive!

"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand (Isaiah 41:10 NIV)."

Happy Father's Day

- *Fr Raymond*



## REMEMBER - BUNCH FOR LUNCH

NEXT Sunday 9 September  
from 11.30am - 1.00pm  
come and lunch at the Presbytery.

Bring finger food to share and  
we'll put on tea and coffee.



A chance to socialise informally  
with Fr Raymond and other parishioners.

## ST MARY'S YOUTH AND FAMILIES MASS

will be celebrated on the second Saturday of each month - the first at 6.00pm on 15 Sept - and complement the Regional Youth Masses. All youth wishing to help as greeters, collectors, readers, supper teams, plus dance and drama, skits, mimes etc please contact Kathryn after 4.00pm on 548 1751  
N.B. No prev experience necessary as training will be given.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

**the sick**

**the young people being Confirmed this weekend**

**the recently deceased:** James Greaney (Hstngs - br of John), Cataldo deGregorio (Italy), Dorothy Maplesden

**those whose anniversaries are near:** Ivy Coulter, Brian Nathan, Allan Chapman, Ted James, Michael Gibbs, Jasmin Eggers, Janice King, Rose Kelly, Giovanni Gargiulo



# CONGRATULATIONS

to the young people receiving  
CONFIRMATION  
at this Sunday's 10.00am Mass.

Annabella Thomas Brigid Marshall Christopher Perrone  
Eva Bishop Finnian Cleary  
Hamish Topp Isabella Garwood  
Jared Lautenslager  
Jordan Lankshear Kitty Cleary  
Katie Schryvers Lewis Miccio  
Louise Goodwin  
Lukas Baigent Matthew Praat  
Matthew Perrone  
Mia Schrader Michael Neru  
Mila Robertson Nikolas Guzinski  
Olivia Fletcher Rosemaire Older Zeus Goyone



You are invited to join  
the Confirmands and Archbishop John Dew  
for a celebratory morning tea after Mass.

## OUR LADY'S BIRTHDAY

falls on NEXT Saturday 8 Sept. To honour the day, we will pray the Rosary and Litany of the BVM after 10.00am Mass. Please bring a flower for the Mary altar. Prayer candles to accompany special intentions will also be available to place on the altar.

## PARISH/SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE.

The preliminary plan has been pinned to the display board at the back of the church. Please take a look and pass any questions/comments on to Gaike Knottenbelt or Graham Warner.

The architect returns in two weeks to finalise the layout so he can proceed to the next step of detailed plans.

**PRIEST**

Fr Raymond Soriano

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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 - Gregory the Great - 1 Thes 4: 13-18; Lk 4: 16-30

Tue - 12.05pm - 1 Thes 5: 1-6. 9-11; Lk 4: 31-37

Wed - 12.05pm - Col 1: 1-8; Lk 4: 38-44

Thur - 12.05pm - Col 1: 9-14; Lk 5: 1-11

Fri - 12.05pm - Col 1: 15-20; Lk 5: 33-39

Sat - 10.00am - Birthday of BVM - Mi 5: 1-4a or Rom 8: 28-30; Mt 1: 1-16. 18-23

**Sat (Vigil) - 6.00pm****Sun - 8.30am, 10.00am TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****Wis 9: 13-18b; Phlm 9-10. 12-17; Lk 14: 25- 33****LITURGY ROSTERS**

<b>Counter</b>	L Palmer	<b>Gifted last wk (incl APs): Hse \$1050 Parish \$2101</b>	
<b>Vacuumping</b>	D and J Auld		
<b>8-9/09/07</b>	<b>Sat Mass - 6.00pm</b>	<b>Sun Mass - 8.30am</b>	<b>Sun Mass - 10.00am</b>
<b>Music</b>	Guitar	Organ	Organ
<b>Greeters</b>	J Persico, I Sowman	J Kelly, L del Favero	M Cairns, R Brown
<b>Readers</b>	G Quin, V Redding	P Maplesden, R Schryvers	G Knottenbelt, A Oertly
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	S Schryvers, Barkley, N Affleck, P Cronin, B van Deursen	P van den Elzen, J Greaney, P McBride, Preston, Pike - <i>All CS</i> ; K Older - <i>Hosp</i>	M Cameron, G Wratt, J Blackwell, S Ellis, B van Deursen !
<b>Library</b>	J Baigent		