



# *The Parishioner*

St Mary's Parish, Nelson

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 5 August 2007

What brings you happiness?

It was a joy to watch our children of the Lower Junior Classes as they presented their folk-dancing abilities last Thursday. I'm sure that the parents present then were so proud of their children bringing so much happiness to all who were around. Lovely little Bridget brought a round of applause as she raised her certificate of recognition and set the tone for that lively afternoon. How much does it cost? It's priceless.



According to a scientific study reported in TIME magazine, happiness does not depend on material possessions, although dire poverty does cause unhappiness. The study stated that a moderate amount of possessions helps to make one happy, but once a certain level is reached, the accumulation of more does not add to happiness, but may even cause distress. Much more important are relationships, caring for others, acceptance, a readiness to forgive, and counting one's blessings.

I don't know who said it or who wrote it, but I could still vividly picture one of our seminary professors quoting it: "True happiness lies, not in knowing what we want and how to get it but in knowing what we have and how to share it."

"Neither individuals nor nations should regard the possession of more and more goods as the ultimate objective.... The exclusive pursuit of material possessions prevents man's growth as a human being and stands in opposition to his true grandeur. Avarice, in individuals and in nations, is the most obvious form of stultified moral development." (Pope Paul VI, *Populorum Progressio*)

- Fr Raymond

## HOLIDAY HOME WANTED

Christchurch family would like to exchange their 4-bdrm home with en-suite for similar in Nelson approx 23/12 - 2/01/08. Please ph Tony and Rosie McInerney - Boon 03 3854774



## PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Have you collected yours yet from the foyer?

## PARISH WEBSITE

The parish now has an official website at [www.stmarysnelson.org.nz](http://www.stmarysnelson.org.nz).

It contains:- general parish information - ministry opportunity information - pictures of recent events - copies of all Parishioners since June 2007 - copies of rosters. Have a look at it and let us know what you think via the feedback page.

The Jubilee Fellowship Prayer Group invites you to

## MORNING TEA

after 10am Mass TODAY Sunday 5 August.

Also an opportunity to make a **GOLD COIN DONATION** toward travel to the **WORLD YOUTH DAY**



## PLEASE PRAY FOR

**the sick**

**the recently deceased:** Dorothy Maplesden,  
Owen Williscroft, Dick Potton,  
Sr M Liguori Murphy RNDM, Sr M Hassan RNDM,  
Sr M Magdalen Ryan RNDM

**those whose anniversaries are near:**

Georgina Walcott, Iris Fox, Ken Sheldon,  
Roy Trewern, Audrey Schaab, Jenny Satherley,  
John White, Margaret Fisher, Rosina Persico

**deceased family members:** Salve Esposito, Frank Pricolo, Rosa and Domenico Pricolo





**NANCY AND TERRY REILLY**  
celebrating their  
**65TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.**



Nancy and Terry married in Motueka on 1 Aug 1942  
Congratulations and prayerful best wishes. *Ad Multos Annos.*

**FROM THE PRESBYTERY**

Fr Raymond will be out of the Parish tomorrow (Mon) and Tues.

**GOD'S ANSWERPHONE**

Fr Raymond's homily last week obviously tickled a few funnybones. Copies of it are available in the porch today.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL  
NEEDS YOUR HELP**



**URGENT** Needs at present ...

- **Capable Drivers** for pick ups and deliveries in the Society's van. Even an hour every now and then would help us immensely.
- **Warm bedding, blankets** etc

The Society also welcomes **Volunteers**  
in the shop in Vanguard Street  
to sort clothing and other incoming goods.  
We would love your help.

*Contacts: Audrey 548 6541, Lois 547 9127*

**COMING UP (SEE NOTICEBOARDS)**

**ENQUIRY EVENINGS** for anyone thinking they should perhaps be Catholic - Stoke, 16 and/or 18 August

**SPIRITUALITY WORKSHOPS** by Sr Lyndall Brown - Various:  
16-20 Aug: Wakefulness, Living the Gospel, Enneagram, Day of Quiet

**PRIEST**

Fr Raymond Soriano

**PRESBYTERY**

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**PARISH SECRETARY**

Helen Coleman 9.00am - 3.00pm Mon/Tue, Thur/Fri

**PARISH CONTACTS**

<b>ST VINCENT DE PAUL</b>	Shop: 77 Vanguard St;	548 9372 All hours
<b>ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL</b>	Principal: Mike Burton	548 4050
<b>GARIN COLLEGE</b>	Principal: John Boyce	543 9488

**REGULAR PARISH SERVICES**

<b>RECONCILIATION</b>	After Saturday 10am Mass or by Appointment Ph 546 8442
<b>ROSARY</b>	Before Tues - Thurs 12.05pm and after Sat 10.00am Masses
<b>EXPOSITION</b>	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 - TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Dn 7: 9-10. 13-14; 2 Pt 1: 16-19; Lk 9: 28b-36

Tue - 12.05pm - Sixtus, Cajetan, Dominic - Nm 12: 1-13; Mt 14: 22-36

Wed - 12.05pm - Mary McKillop - Nm 13: 1-2. 25 - 14: 1. 26a-29a. 34-35; Mt 15:21-28

Thu - 12.05pm - Teresa Benedicta of the Cross - Nm 20: 1-13; Mt 16: 13-23

Fri - 12.05pm - Lawrence - 2 Cor 9: 6-10; Jn 12: 24-26

Sat - 10.00am - Clare - Dt 6: 4-13; Mt 17: 14-20

Sat (Vigil) - 6.00pm

Sun - 8.30am, 10.00am

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Wis 18: 6-9; Heb 11: 1-2. 8-19; Lk 12: 32-48

**LITURGY ROSTERS**

<b>Counter</b>	J Scott ?	<b>Gifted last wk (excl APs):</b> Hse \$550 Parish :\$550	
<b>Vacuuming</b>	M Keppel		
<b>11-12/8/07</b>	<b>Sat Mass - 6.00pm</b>	<b>Sun Mass - 8.30am</b>	<b>Sun Mass - 10.00am</b>
<b>Music</b>	Organ	Organ	Guitar
<b>Greeters</b>	M Sauer, G/G Quin	L del Favero, F Andrews	M Musso, B Gargiulo
<b>Readers</b>	A Bentley, B Gibbs	G Dunning, S Gunn	Confirmation
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	A Monti, M Monti, P Cronin, R Blackwell, N Affleck	Speers, D Fisk, Bentley, Sr Catherine, P McBride - <i>All CS; M Pike - Hosp</i>	P Wright, M Rutter, T Romano, John Tohill, N Dimas
<b>Library</b>	D Clark		