



LEVIN-TAITOKO

“A COMMUNITY RADIATING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST”

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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - 4th AUGUST 2024

*Dear
Friends*

Suzanne Aubert Tertiary Scholarship 2025

We are delighted to announce that the Suzanne Aubert Tertiary Scholarship applications for 2025 open on 1 September 2024.

This scholarship is designed to support students within the Catholic Archdiocese of Wellington and the Diocese of Palmerston North who will be studying in their **second year** of tertiary studies in 2025.

For more details and to apply, please visit our website: www.compassion.org.nz

If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact:
Felicity Giltrap: felicity.g@compassion.org.nz.

We look forward to supporting your educational journey!

Thanks



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SISTERS OF COMPASSION

WINTER APPEAL

You can continue Suzanne Aubert's legacy of helping vulnerable people when they need it most.

DONATE TODAY



Blessings

Fr Bruce



HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN

Going to the hospital? Just phone the Community Line at 022 314 4642 and let us know your details before you go. The chaplain will be there for



ARE YOU HOUSEBOUND?

Or do you know anyone who is?
You are still welcome to receive Communion in your own home. You can also enjoy a visit from the ministers, Just phone the

PARISH COMMUNITY LINE: 022 314 4642

THE RCIA PROGRAM (Right of Christian Initiation of Adults) will start soon for the catechumen's to be welcomed into our Catholic community at Easter next year.

If you know of anyone who may wish to join, please contact Harry: 027 454 8927 or email bennik@xtra.co.nz.

TUESDAY SOCIAL CLUB At 1pm in the Parish Centre for a cosy gathering and shared fellowship.

MEALS ON WHEELS We are rostered in the week of 5th to 9th August. If you can help please contact Yoka on

022 5022645 or dekkernz@gmail.com

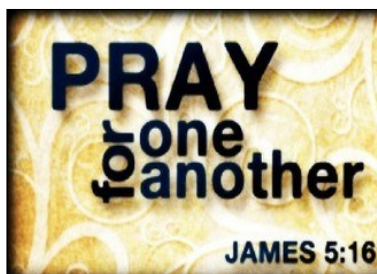
SEASON OF CREATION WORKSHOP to animate Care for our Common Home. All are welcome. Hear an inspirational speaker, share ideas, practical tips and resources for your community. Hosted by the Integral Ecology Committee, Archdiocese of Wellington. On Tuesday 6 August, 6:45 - 9pm at St Peter and Paul Meeting Room, 60 Knights Rd, Lower Hutt. Also on Saturday 10 August 9.45am - 12 noon at Our Lady of Kapiti Meeting Room, 1 Presentation Way, Paraparaumu. To register email Deirdre Meskill:

d.meskill@wn-catholicsocialservices.org.nz



CONFIDENTIAL PRAYER INTENTIONS

- Prayer Intentions are collected twice a week
- They are given to the Prayer Chain in complete privacy.
- You can use the language with which they feel comfortable because we have people in the Prayer Chain able to translate
- The Prayer Intentions will then be destroyed.



Submit
your
prayer request.

PRAYER CHAIN

Pray for the intentions of your fellow parishioners in your own home and in your own time. Phone the Parish Community Line: 022 314 4642.

MEN'S 1-DAY RETREAT at Home of Compassion, Island Bay on Saturday 17th August 8:30am - 5pm with Brendan Woodnutt. Theme: '**Hear then what God is asking you. Only this...**' For information contact Steve Ready 027-356-9555 or joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

St VINCENT de PAUL CORNER

The theme for the Mass readings this week, "Jesus the Bread of Life", speaks right to the heart of the Vinnies calling. It's reaching out to those most in need not only with food and other help to sustain them, but also presenting the hand of Christ bringing hope and understanding. The personal contact often means more than the tangible assistance given and for the giver can also be quite a humbling experience – we pray that our presence will also be His Presence bringing new life to the recipient. If you would like to join Vinnies, you are welcome to contact one of us anytime.

SVdP Levin Bank Account for donations: 11 6932 0308328 11



BABY ASSIST

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We would like to let you know of a recent successful initiative. We learnt that at one of the Levin child care centres there were some mothers who were expecting babies. In view of this, Baby Welcome boxes containing blankies and clothes for newborns were prepared and left with the child care centre to deliver, when the babies arrived. We have heard that the mothers were thrilled to receive a surprise welcome parcel for their babies. Thank you for providing lovely gifts to include in the boxes, which have reached these families.

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS TO OFFICE@STJOSEPHLEVIN.COM BY 10AM WEDNESDAY

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST 2024

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

WELCOM READERSHIP SURVEY

The Archdiocese of Wellington is conducting a survey over the next few weeks among WelCom readers within the Archdiocese of Wellington. The survey is intended to gauge readers' views about how they may prefer to receive news and information from the Archdiocese and how the Archdiocese can generally improve its communications with parishioners.

The SurveyMonkey website link is <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PK66XNR>.

TOWARDS OCTOBER 2024 SYNOD CONSULTATION

A new consultation document prepared by the New Zealand Bishops as part of the Holy Father's Synod 2021-24 process has been sent to Rome.

This document, titled Towards October 2024, follows the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference being asked to establish a consultation process to discern responses to specific questions related to the Vatican's Synodal Church in Mission report. That report was published after the First Session of the 16th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops, held in Rome last October.

National Catholic lay organisations, agencies of the bishops conference, religious, diocesan bodies, educational institutions, young people's groups, parish groups and groups involved in previous synodal processes took part in the consultation, between February and April this year.

Copies of Towards October 2024 can now be downloaded from our website:

wairarapacatholicparish.com/resources.html

MEDIA PRAYER DAY is on Sunday, 27 October. Media Prayer Day is back! Brought to you once again by CBA and Rhema Media. It's time to start thinking about how you and your church can join us on this important bi-annual day of prayer for the people who make up our media industry here in Aotearoa New Zealand. This year, for the very first time, Media Prayer Day coincides with a brand-new initiative - Global Day of Prayer for Media. We've teamed up with media ministries from around the world to host a 24-hour prayer live stream. We'll be in touch again soon with more details! For now, save the date: Sunday, 27 October.

Thank you and mā te Atua koe e manaaki (may God keep you),

The Media Prayer Day team



May the souls of our beloved dead and
the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Maureen Drumm Pauline Carr

Suzanne Aubert says...

We ought to show in our countenance the joy which is found in the service of God when we have given ourselves up entirely to Him...

Reflection:

On an overcast and rainy day, there is nothing so liable to lift my spirits as a glimpse of the sun peeping through the clouds. Suddenly, my whole perspective on life seems to change. There is a glow on the world.

Joy is like that. As I go through my day, I meet people whose faces tell me they are serious about living and working. Or perhaps they are having the proverbial ‘bad hair day’ and their faces show it. Then, suddenly, I meet a person whose joy in living radiates through the gloom. As a Christian, that is the kind of atmosphere I should create around me.



Prayer:

Lord, make me joyful in your service so that I may light up the lives of others I meet.

W E E K L Y S C H E D U L E

Monday, 5th August	9:30am	Liturgy of the Word with Communion The Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major
Tuesday, 6th	11:00am	Holy Mass, The Transfiguration of the Lord
	1:00pm	Tuesday Social Group
Wednesday, 7th	9:30am	Holy Mass, St Sixtus II and Companions, St Cajetan
	10:00am	Rosary in the Chapel
Thursday, 8th	9:30am	Holy Mass, St Mary of the Cross, Virgin
	7:00pm	Meditation in the Christian Tradition
Friday, 9th	11:10am	Exposition, St Maria Benedicta of the Cross
	12:10pm	Reconciliation
Saturday, 10th	5:30pm	Vigil Mass, St Lawrence
Sunday, 11th	9:30am	Holy Mass
	11:00am	Legion of Mary Kiribati Group (Chapel)

Readings at Sunday Mass

(4/8/2024) **1st Reading:** Exodus 16:2-4,12-15 **2nd Reading:** Ephesians 4:17,20-2

Gospel: John 6:24-35

Psalm Response: *The Lord gave them bread from heaven.*

(11/8/2024) **1st Reading:** 1 Kings 19:4-8 **2nd Reading:** Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Gospel: John 6:41-51