



Diocese of
Palmerston North

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Parish

Palmerston North (1951)

Te Parihā o te mātou Wahine o Ruata

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LOL MASSES
5:30pm Vigil (Sat)
8:00am & 10:00am
Mon—Sat 10:00am
RECONCILIATION
Sat 10:30am—11:00am or on request

EUCHARIST ADORATION
Fri: 10:30am—Noon & 7:00pm—9:00pm
RONGOTEĀ MASSES
9:30am: 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Thurs: 7:00pm



Third Sunday of Easter

30th April 2017; Year A / Weekdays Year 1

Psalm Response: Lord, you will show us the path of life .
Prayers of the Faithful Response: Whakarongo mai ra kia matou.

LITURGY COMMITTEE meeting on
Tuesday 2nd May at 5:15pm.

LOL GUILD 60th Anniversary Celebrations Wednesday 3rd May 2017

Mass: LOL 10:00am
Lunch: 12 noon at the Manawatu Golf Club,
Centennial Drive. Lunch menu available or you
can select from the food cabinet. Look forward
to seeing you there. For further details
contact June Lynch: 354 7686.

AED TRAINING for parish first aiders: Tuesday
16th May, 7:00pm-8:30pm in the church foyer.

LOL ANOINTING MASS will take place
Wednesday 31st May at 2:00pm.

CONFIRMATION Next session Sunday 30th
April, Service Afternoon, from 1:00pm-6:00pm
followed by Mass in the Cathedral.
Venue – Diocesan Centre, 33 Amesbury Street.
This session is the **last chance** to join this year's
Palmerston-North-wide programme. It will begin
with a catch-up for those who've missed any of
the first 3 sessions. Then from 3:00pm-6:00pm
we'll have our Service Afternoon.

Confirmation Sessions During May

May 7th, 4:00pm-6:00pm
May 14th 4:00pm-6:00pm
May 28th 3:00pm-6:00pm Sponsor/Candidate
Retreat. All at the Diocesan Centre and followed
by Mass at the Cathedral.

ANY WORK THAT NEEDS DOING?

Elderly parishioners wanting work done
around the house or garden, please contact
Lucy on 021 509 436. We will arrange a
group to come and do the work on April 30th
for our Confirmation Service Afternoon –
so please get in touch with us ASAP.

ON SALE NZ Catholic \$4; Tui Motu \$7.

LOL PRAYER CHAIN: Please call Eileen
O'Connor 329 1801/021 671 755 or the
Parish Office. No request is too big or too small.

MARIAN EUCHARISTIC COMMUNITY
Kerala Catholic Prayer Community prayer
meeting, every Monday 4:15pm-7:00pm.
Exposition 1st Monday of the month.

**FORMER REFUGEE COMMUNITY ORGANI-
SATIONS** need 8-10 people to assist them to
complete funding applications to philanthropic
trusts, government funders and local govern-
ment. Four organisations have been registered as
incorporated societies and some activities and
services are already being delivered to their respec-
tive communities. However additional volunteer
assistance is needed to assist with obtaining funds
so more can be accomplished. If you have experi-
ence of preparing funding applications and
knowledge of sources of funds, have some time
and are willing to commit for a year at least, and are
willing to assist please contact Gail Munro on
mobile 0273408186
gailmuro@governancestrategies.co.nz.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Shop News: There is to be a
reorganization. This means the
**Main Shop will be closed from
Sat 6th May to Wed 10th May.**

Furniture Shop closed Sat 6th May only.
This shop then opens with clothing on Monday
8th May. **Main Shop re-opens:** Thursday 11th
May 10:00am. Come and join us and view the
new layout.

SVDP Raffle: The Easter Raffle was won by
**Moya Booth, Anita (from Animates)
and Vicki Quelch.** Thank you to the organiser,
Merrilyn Savimake, and to the huge support
received from all church members and
customers. **A total of \$500 was raised.**

HIBERNIAN CATHOLIC BENEFIT SOCIETY
St Patrick's Branch 400 First Quarterly Meeting
followed by AGM: 5:30pm, Monday 15th May, in
the Gathering Area, Cathedral of the Holy Spirit,
197 Broadway Ave, PN. Visitors or anyone
interested in becoming a member are most
welcome. Enquiries to Kevin Frost, Secretary,
(06) 3577844 or kfassociates@xtra.co.nz

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NEWSLETTER?** Sign up at
www.pndiocese.org.nz Follow:
www.facebook.com/centralcatholic.nz for Dioce-
san updates, news and photos.

CATHOLIC RADIO Sundays 9am
Access Radio Manawatu 999Hz AM.



Our annual formation day is
SAT 6th MAY 9:30am–3:30pm
Diocesan Centre, Amesbury St, PN.
Come to be informed and inspired
about: modern marriage, ageing,
conscience and moral decision-making. Bring a
gold coin donation and a plate for shared lunch.
Tea and coffee provided.
Please RSVP to Jenny 0274187906 or
doidgefamly@xtra.co.nz by noon Thurs 4th May.

PRISON VOLUNTEER ADMINISTRATOR

We are looking for a Volunteer Administrator to
assist with the administration of volunteers who
come into prisons at Manawatu and Whanganui
to support our chaplains. It is a part-time, paid
position which would take approx. 2-6 hours per
week. See the flyer on the notice board for more
details or email Chaplain Richard Goodwin at
richard.goodwin@corrections.org.nz

ROOM AVAILABLE TO RENT would suit female
Massey student, details on noticeboard.

CARITAS AND SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Caritas Lenten collection—\$3097.00
Holy Places—\$1136.80
Easter Dues—\$1206.20

**Your continued generosity to these
collections is greatly appreciated.**

HOSPITAL REMINDER If you know of any
parishioner who enters hospital, moves into
residential care or becomes housebound, please
advise the Parish Office so that they can be
cared for.

We Pray for the Sick: Thelma Basile, Kerrin
McManus, Vanessa Farrelly, Vinnie Carroll, Joseph
Ang, Joan Lambourne, Liam Stone, Graeme Younger,
Marie Wenman, Aileen Ryan, Helen Taylor, Mary
Jefferies, Kevin Patterson, Ian Sutherland, Ann
Fairclough, Mikulas Oros, Louis Heynen, Braxton
Prentice, Anne & Bill Bethune, Katherine Denby, Toshi
Sekizaki, Oliver Gillespie, Marie Hubbard, Guiseppina
Dujany, Trevor Wilson & Peggy O'Donoghue.

Died Recently

Anniversaries

Requiescant in Pace



Diocese of Palmerston North Seminarian Appeal

Sunday 7 May 2017

Please support our seminarians with prayer and financial support



Good News

Our seminarians are a great bunch. We are hugely blessed by the generosity and enthusiasm of our men training for priesthood. The seminary staff have often commented to me how "lucky" Palmerston North Diocese is with the calibre of its seminarians. Those of you who know them from the parishes in which they have stayed and worked echo the same song. Let's continue to pray for more candidates. Feel free to shoulder tap on my behalf! Already some are showing an interest for next year.

Challenge

As we all know tertiary education in New Zealand is not cheap. Holy Cross Seminary fees, Good Shepherd College fees, and language school fees average out at about \$75,000 a student per year. So, we have a challenge! It is of course a "happy burden" but one which calls us all to make a contribution no matter how small to the formation of our students. Please note that the seminarians themselves have sought summer holiday jobs in order to make a contribution too.

Our Seminary account no longer covers the costs involved. Those on planned giving have over time greatly supported this account but this year we need everyone to help. Each parish will arrange Seminary Appeal envelopes so that those not on planned giving can help too.

Vocations

Thank you in advance for your help no matter how small, and please keep Simone, Trung, Vui, and Tom in your prayers. We will be having a retreat weekend in July for those thinking of a vocation to the priesthood or Religious Life.

Happy Easter season,

+ Chelles

REFLECTIONS FROM OUR SEMINARIANS (two more next week)



Simone Masanga - The greatest decision I ever made in my whole life is the decision to come to New Zealand and study to become a priest, especially for the lovely diocese of Palmerston North. As I thought about this, I knew that it would be a hard call in terms of language and culture. However, the many generousities and love and support of the people in the diocese has been helping me a lot in strengthening and encouraging me throughout my discernment for priesthood.

As for those of you whom I have met in Hastings, Dannevirke, Palmerston North, Opunake, New Plymouth, Waitara, Inglewood, Mokau, and now at the Cathedral, I am humbly thanking all of you for your generosity. Without this I think my discernment for priesthood would be almost impossible.

The greatest learning for me on pastoral placement is how effective a parish can be when the parishioners and priest live out the joy of Christ. My recent time with the parishioners at the Cathedral was really great. I found the Easter Liturgies inspirational. After spending a short time with you, I experienced a lot of great learning skills and insights to bringing hope to our world.

Through the tasks assigned to me by parish priests, I have learned that the more I do something the more I gain a confidence that helps me to overcome my shyness and nervousness. Visiting families, for example, has helped give me confidence to know that the more I do something, the more natural it will become. If I trust the Lord who accompanies us, then I trust our people too and grow in happiness.

Thank you again to the priests and people alike and please support our annual seminary appeal with your prayers and donation.

Trung Nguyen - My vocation is based on "two yeses". Firstly, it was when I said "yes" to leave my family and went to a new place, staying with priests for seven years before going to university. This was the first "yes" that started my journey. I was 12 years old at that time.



The second "yes" led me to Palmerston North Diocese. I arrived in New Zealand on the 18th of May 2012. After nearly five years of living in New Zealand, I feel that this is my second country.

Palmerston North has become my home, and I have enjoyed my time in Hastings. I feel the love of all the people around me. When I look back on my journey, I know that I would not be staying here without the grace of God, through the prayers of all of you, and especially your help and support. You look after me as one of your own, talking to me as your friend and loving me as you love God. I am always grateful for that.

I ask that you please continue to keep me, "your adopted son and brother", in your prayers. May God continue to bless you, love you and guide you in the way of peace and joy. Please support our annual seminary appeal with your prayers and donation.

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NEXT WEEK

Readings May 7th: Acts 2:14, 36-41; 1 Pet 2:20-25; Jn 10:1-10.

ROSTERS: 7th May

Church Cleaning: (April 24th) A volunteer and Kathy Morton.

Counting: Leigh Basile.

Flowers: Freda Reggers.

Greeters: Vigil 5:30pm Lorraine and Dave Marriott

8am Pat & Colin Keegan 10am Jenny King.

Readers: Vigil 5:30pm Jane Charlton and Annette Brown

8am Clare Cole and Pat Burton 10am Diane Baucke and Janey Bishop

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Vigil 5:30pm Cecily Finucane, Lorraine & David Marriott, Monica Hammond, Martin Wall

8am Colin Keegan, Clare Cole & Raymond Jones 10am Maria Amey, Mary Murrow, Stephen Guy, Paul Darbyshire, Sharon van der Plas.

Altar Servers: 10am Tessa and Kaitlyn Amey.

Children's Liturgy: School Holidays—none this week

Hospitality: 10am Dianne Jordan and Susan Ingram.

Religious Goods/Library: Mary O'Connor.

Linen: Judith Wall.

Lawns: Alan Marlow (6th May)