



# Catholic Parish of Wairarapa

A community living and sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ

Patron: 'Our Lady of Compassion'

**Pentecost Sunday — 19th May 2024**



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## PENTECOST SUNDAY

**Friends, Happy birthday!!!**

Today we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost, the birthday of the Church. The Holy Spirit, the love shared by the Father and the Son, comes down upon the Church at Pentecost.

Fifty days after the resurrection, the early disciples were gathered together, and the Holy Spirit was poured out on them. What happened to them that day changed their lives, and it changed the world because it gave them strength.

There were three miraculous physical signs present that first Pentecost day, the mighty rushing wind, the tongues of fire and the miracle of speaking in tongues in other languages. Each of these tells us something about God. The wind tells us that God is life and the source of all life, both physical and spiritual. The fire tells us that God has a heart burning with love. When the people from different nations suddenly understood each other in their own languages, it brought about peace and unity rather than division and disunity. It tells us that God desires understanding, reconciliation and peace for us.

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**Deacon Matt**



Pentecost Sunday in the Catholic Church is originally a Jewish Pentecost. Also known as Shavuot, it is a Jewish feast held fifty days after Passover, commemorating the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai and the covenant between God and the Israelites.

During the Jewish feast of Pentecost, 50 days after Passover and the resurrection of Christ, the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles in the form of tongues of fire, enabling them to speak in different languages and empowering them to proclaim the Good News boldly.

This event marks the birth of the Church, as the Apostles, filled with the Holy Spirit, began to preach the Gospel to people from all nations who were gathered in Jerusalem and consequently spread Christianity throughout the world. Through the gift of tongues, the language barrier was overcome, and the message of salvation was able to reach a diverse audience. This supernatural event also signifies the fulfilment of Jesus' promise to send the Holy Spirit to guide and empower the Church (John 14:26).

Hence, the descent of the Holy Spirit reminds us of the ongoing work of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church, providing gifts and charisms to believers to build up the Body of Christ and to carry out the mission of evangelization. It also serves as a reminder that the Church is not merely a human institution, but a divine reality infused with the presence of the Holy Spirit, leading us to deepen our faith, grow in holiness, and bear witness to Christ in the world.

It is a time for us to celebrate the presence and work of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church and to reflect on how we too can be open to the Spirit's guidance and inspiration in our own lives.

## PARISH NOTICES

### On Prayer

**EXPOSITION** Friday's 8.30am  
St. Patrick's Church.

**Note:** Sunday Adoration is available in St. Patrick's Church after hospitality.

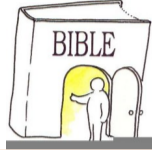
### ROSARY GROUPS

**St. Anthony's Hall**, Tue's 11.00am  
**St. Teresa de Avila**, Fri's 10:30am  
**St. Patrick**, Sat's 4.30pm



### WORD AT HOME Bible Study Group

Friday's 11.00am call:  
**Claire:** 027 715 6130  
**Helen:** 027 225 6722



### On Sacramental Program

#### YOUR CHILD

If your baptised child is turning 8 before September and is wanting to be confirmed and receive communion, please fill in the form in our parish website:

[www.wairarapacatholicparish.com/sacramental-program](http://www.wairarapacatholicparish.com/sacramental-program)

#### PARENTS

All parents for the sacramental program are invited for the orientation on the following dates

- Thursday 16th May 2024 at St. Pat's School at 7pm
- Sunday 19th May 2024 at St. Teresa of Avila Church at 11:30am.

#### BECOMING A CATHOLIC RCIA PROGRAMME

Contact: Claire: 027 715 6130



### On Socials

#### COFFEE MORNINGS

Thursdays From 10.30am  
in Kainga Eatery, Carterton



#### SUNDAY HOSPITALITY

All welcome following the Masses:

**St. Patrick:** Sun 8.30am  
**St. Teresa de Avila:** Sun 10.30am

#### SHARED LUNCH 11.30am

Last Sun of the month at  
St Teresa's Church Hall, Fstn.  
Please bring a plate.



### Other Notices

**For Sale:** Limited edition "Fruits of Toil" by Fr V McGlone. **History of the Catholic church in Wairarapa** \$50.00.  
**Call Anne:** 0274 936 835

**REMINDER: PARK YOUR CARS** away from the front area of the St Patrick's Church for safety reasons.



**NEW PARISH WEBSITE:** Please click <https://www.wairarapacatholicparish.com/>

### PARISH LADIES:

An invitation to parish ladies there will be a Pink Ribbon Breakfast at Chanel College on the 23rd of May at 8.45am. All welcome.



### FRIDAY MASSES

There will be no masses held on Friday's in Chanel College Chapel due to heating issues. All masses will be held in St Patrick's Church until further notice. Unless stated in the newsletter of a change of venue.



Congratulations to Mark and Maria Hinton. Celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary. A couple's 50th Wedding Anniversary is known lovingly as their Golden Anniversary. The term was coined to reflect the preciousness of having spent so many valuable years together.

**THE SVDP** society is now called the Wairarapa Conference as we have incorporated Masterton into our Conference. We reach out to those in need, seeking food as well as lonely souls in need of visits. The shop is no longer run by our Conference but volunteers are still needed to keep operating. All donations of clothing, furniture etc are much appreciated.



#### Wairarapa conference:

Patrick Hallot (Chair) 027 424 9365  
Shop: 161 High Street North, Carterton 5713  
06 379 7915

Regards Paddy Hallot

### ONLINE ROCKY ROAD FUNDRAISER

**St Mary's School** families are selling delicious rocky road to help support our school and our students. **How do I sign up to fundraise online?** Each fund-raiser can sign up for their very own web page to send out to friends and family to collect sales. **Go to this website page:** <https://stmaryscartertoncookies.raiseit.co.nz/>

### PRAYER CHAIN CORNER (Please keep in your prayers)

Fr Frank Whitaker	Terrence Nelson (Terry)	
Fr Peter O'Connell	Philippa Fagg	
Fr David Orange	Bob Knowles	
Fr Kevin Purcell		
Fr Tikoua Kautu		
Fr Frank Maguire		

**COMMUNION TO THE SICK:** If you have a family member housebound or in hospital. Or if you are aware of someone who cannot attend the masses and would like a priest to visit or someone to take Communion. Please ask permission from the person to contact the office on their behalf.

### PRAY FOR THE ETERNAL REPOSE OF THE SOULS

Helen McGann Hanorah Lett Ikoke Fagasoia  
*Our sincere prayerful condolences to the families of the recently departed.*



**Gospel Reflection** The feast of Pentecost celebrates the power of the Holy Spirit coming upon the disciples and energising them to set about their mission of continuing the ministry of Jesus. The gospel reading is one of the post-resurrection appearances by Jesus when he breathed the Holy Spirit upon the disciples. The actual events of that first Pentecost are recorded in the book of Acts and are recalled in this week's first reading. The use of this post-resurrection gospel account is a reminder that Jesus had already imbued the disciples with the Spirit but, as so often throughout his ministry, they were a bit slow to catch on to the significance of what he had done. It seems that they needed a more tangible experience to jolt them into action and Acts records the very physical experience of the Spirit entering their midst as a roaring wind before settling upon them as tongues of flame. Jesus had breathed the Spirit upon them but it took the roaring wind to make a real impression on the disciples. There are frequent references in the gospels to Jesus being 'filled with the Spirit'. It is this Spirit with which he was filled that he breathed upon his disciples; it is that same Spirit that we receive sacramentally in Confirmation.

For the weeks following the death of Jesus the disciples had lived in fear and confusion, not fully understanding what had happened and not really knowing what to do. When they realised that the Spirit Jesus had breathed upon them was really present and urging them to action they finally had the courage to begin the mission that Jesus had entrusted to them: to spread the Good News of Jesus and continue to realise his message in the world. © LiturgyHelp

## Today's Lectionary Readings

### Pentecost Sunday

**1st Reading:** Acts 2:1-11

**Psalm Response:** Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

**2nd Reading:** Galatians 5:16-25

**Gospel Reading:** John 15:26-27, 16:12-15

### Next Sunday's Lectionary Readings

#### Most Holy Trinity

**1st Reading:** Deuteronomy 4:32-34. 39-40

**Psalm:** Ps 32:4-6. 9. 18-20. 22. R.

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**2nd Readings:** Romans 8:14-17

**Gospel:** Matthew 28:16-20



## DAY 1 – 13<sup>th</sup> MAY: WELCOME TO PRIVACY WEEK 2023 (13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> MAY 2024) Introduction

The Office of the Privacy Commissioner (OPC) marks Privacy Week each year to promote privacy awareness, inform people of their rights under the Privacy Act, and help educate agencies about their responsibilities. It is held in conjunction with Privacy Awareness Week, an initiative by the Asia Pacific Privacy Authorities (APPA) network and celebrated worldwide.

The right to privacy is also guaranteed under Canon Law (Canon 220). The Catholic Church is vested in its commitment to protect the privacy rights of the Christian Faithful and the education and promotion of responsible and good privacy practices. As part of this commitment, we will journey together over the week in exploring areas where we can exercise care for privacy. OPC's theme for Privacy Week 2024 is "Busting Privacy Myths". As they say, busting one Myth a day, keeps the privacy breach bugs away.

**MYTH OF THE DAY: WE ARE TOO SMALL TO WORRY ABOUT PRIVACY.**

We often hear common perceptions like:

- We are a church, we don't need to worry about privacy, plus it's an inconvenience, hard and it generates unnecessary work, or
- Our parish is too small to worry about privacy, we don't have any information people would be interested or want anyway.

**Debunked:** Privacy is a human right, for the Church it is deeply rooted in the fundamental dignity of the human person – for we are created in the image and likeness of God, and thus affects every single person.

(Canon 220) Civilly, the Privacy Act 2020 is applicable to every organisation and persons in New Zealand. We collect and use personal information in the course of our daily work and as staff functioning within the Catholic Church in Aotearoa New Zealand, we must ensure we are careful and protect any personal information in our care.

**DAY 2 – 14th MAY:** theme for Privacy Week 2024 is "Busting Privacy Myths".

- **MYTH OF THE DAY:**

Privacy is not my job. / It is the Privacy Officer's job not mine.

**Debunked:** As we understand from yesterday's Myth busted, this is incorrect. Protecting privacy should be everyone's responsibility because it affects every individual. We all have personal information that we quite willingly entrust or give away, i.e. credit card details for purchases, Facebook photos, contact information for registrations.

**DAY 3 – 15th MAY:**

- **MYTH OF THE DAY:**

No harm done; no names were mentioned.

Some common perceptions and circumstances:

"But they were happy to share this information with me, therefore I can share it with others," or "But I thought it's public information," or Parish priests have people pass their information to a specific person.

Then subsequently that person passes on the information to others without realising that it is disclosure without authority.

The common perception being "They didn't say I couldn't share it."

**Debunked:** Information Privacy Principle 11 of the Privacy Act 2020 states that personal information may generally be disclosed for the purpose for which it was originally collected or obtained for or as stated in the exceptions. (<https://privacy.org.nz/privacy-act-2020/privacy-principles/11/>) Authorisation (or consent) is not always required but it is often best practice to get consent so that individuals are not taken by surprise. (<https://privacy.org.nz/tools/knowledge-base/view/228>)

**DAY 4 – 16th MAY:**

**MYTH OF THE DAY:** I have a right to know.

Sometimes there is confusion or a misconception that Privacy Act and Official Information Act (OIA) requests are the same. We may encounter individuals who wish to request or access personal information or their whole file under the OIA, but what they really mean is a request under the Privacy Act (IPP6 request). Sometimes individuals are also under the impression that organizations are obligated to provide info under the OIA without realising that OIA only applies to government agencies. Meanwhile, the Privacy Act applies to both private and public entities.

There may also be encounters for request for baptism information, or genealogy inquiries or for adoption information, either from extended family members or the general public. For example, grandparents, ex-partners etc, or parents wanting their adult children's personal information like their baptism certificates. When this request is declined, often the pushbacks are "But I'm their parent/grandparent, surely you can give it to me."

**Debunked:** Just because one wants the information, does not equate to one having a right to know. Personal information must be lawfully disclosed and accessed, otherwise it is a breach of an individual's privacy rights.

(Information Privacy Principle 6)

**CONCLUSION: DAY 5 – 17<sup>th</sup> MAY:**

**MYTH OF THE DAY:**

**Privacy, confidentiality, and security, they're all the same thing.**

One of the most common misconceptions about privacy and confidentiality training is that these terms are interchangeable. However, they have different meanings and implications.

**Debunked:** Privacy refers to the right of individuals to control who can access and use their personal information, such as their medical records, test results, or diagnoses. Confidentiality refers to the duty of professionals to protect the privacy of their clients or patients and not disclose their information without their consent or legal authorization.

Security refers to the systems employed to ensure personal information and data is kept secure from unlawful access.

Training for each category will differ, it teaches you how to respect these rights and duties and avoid violating them. Some people may think that privacy, confidentiality, and cybersecurity training is a one-time thing that they can complete once and forget about. However, this is a mistake.

Training, like any professional development, is an ongoing process that requires regular updates and refreshers. This is because the laws and regulations that govern privacy and confidentiality may change over time, as well as the technologies and practices that affect how information is collected, stored, shared, or deleted. Privacy and confidentiality training helps you stay informed and compliant with the current standards and expectations in your field.

# Weekly Mass Timetable

**Mstn:** St Patrick's Church, 375 Queen Street

**Fstn:** St Teresa de Avila Church, 50 Bell Street

\* Liturgy of the Word & Communion (W & C)

21st May	Tues	10.00am	W & C - St Teresa de Avila School
		5.00pm	W & C - St Patrick Church
22nd May	Wed	11.00am	St Anthony's Hall
23rd May	Thurs	9.30am	St Patrick's School
24th May	Fri	9.30am	Mass—St Patrick's Church
25th May	Sat	5.00pm	Mass—St. Patrick Church
26th May	Sun	8.30am	Mass - St Patrick Church
		10.30am	Mass - St Teresa de Avila Church

## RECONCILIATION:

Sat's: 4.00pm St Patrick's Church, Mstn.

Sun's: 11:30am St Teresa de Avila Church, Fstn.

**All other Sacraments: Baptism and Marriages**, please call Parish Office for arrangements or enrol via parish website: <https://www.wairarapacatholicparish.com/>

## ADMIN SECTION

**PARISH ROLL UPDATE: If you would like to update** your details or add your name to our parish roll as a new parishioner. Please use link on our parish website: <https://cpw.infoodle.com/f/ContactDetails>.

## From the Parish Office.

Thank you for the well wishes and prayers expressed as I take my leave. All the best for the upcoming events and plans for the Catholic Parish of Wairarapa. A prayerful thank you to Fr Dennis and Deacon Matt for their support of me. I know everything will continue as normal, during my time away.

God bless Denise

## PLAN GIFTING DONATIONS (PG)

Acc Name: **ADW CPW**

**BNZ 02-0688-0049100-00**

To enrol in PG program please contact the Parish Office.

*This continues to help support the day to day running of expenses for our Parish. Your support is greatly appreciated.*



## DONATIONS FOR WAIRARAPA

Church Building Projects Only

Account No: **02-0688-0049100-25**



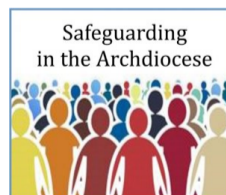
## ADW SAFEGUARDING ADVISER

Contact: 04 496 1768

## Parish Safeguarding Reps:

Sth Wai: Joanne - 022 088 6044

Nth Wai: Lisa - 021 076 1604



## PRAYER CHAIN

If you wish to add the name of a loved one, friend or someone you know of, who would like their name added to the prayer chain please seek their permission first in line with the privacy act. Please advise if the prayers are no longer required. Please contact the office.

## SUGGESTION BOX

A suggestion box is available in the foyers, of St Teresa of Avila and St Patrick Churches. Please send us your feedback.



## Other Venues

### Mboro:

St Anthony of Padua Hall, 36 Kitchener St.

### Gtn:

St Luke's Anglican Church, 135 Main St.

### Ctn:

\* Richmond Funeral Home Chapel, 10 Richmond Rd.

\* St Mary's School, 4 King St.

### Fstn:

\* St Teresa's School, 63 Bell St.

\* St Teresa's School, Kiwi Hall, 62 Bell St.

### Mstn:

\* Chanel College 26 Herbert St.

\* St Pat's School, 132 Chapel St.

## ADW & THE WORLD SECTION

## POPE FRANCIS HAS DECLARED 2025

## AS A YEAR OF JUBILEE WITH THE THEME "PILGRIMS OF HOPE"

**"Pope Francis.**



The 2025 Year of Jubilee People of God making a Pilgrimage of Hope. The NZCBC has created an informative webpage. Please visit the website <https://www.catholic.org.nz/about-us/jubilee-year-2025/> to find out more information and watch this space for opportunities to become involved in Jubilee 2025.

## LITURGY WORKSHOPS FOR 2024:

Fr Patrick Bridgman will present four workshops on

### The Sunday Eucharist-

2. **Liturgy of the Word.** (26 June 7 - 9 pm, Sacred Heart Church, Petone)

3. **Liturgy of the Eucharist** (17 August 10am - 12pm, St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria)

4. **It's impact in our lives.** (16 October 7 - 9 pm, St Theresa's, Plimmerton)

These workshops are for anyone interested in gaining a deeper understanding of The Sunday Eucharist. Tea & Coffee will be available half an hour before the start time. Register to [c.walker@dine@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:c.walker@dine@wn.catholic.org.nz) See you there.



## PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE

All engaged couples are strongly encouraged to attend the marriage preparation course "Love is a Decision" on 9 & 16 June 2024 at St Catherine's College, Kilbirnie. For further details or to register visit [www.wn.catholic.org.nz/about/church-mission/marriage-ministries/](http://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/about/church-mission/marriage-ministries/) or email [marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz). Explore the realities of a lifetime of married love through a variety of relevant topics...