



Parish of Our Lady of Kāpiti

Te Whaea Tapu o Kāpiti

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Christmas 2016 Newsletter

**Haere mai e te whanau, Tena koutou katoa, a kia noho te Ariki ki a koutou.
Welcome, family, greetings to you all. May the Lord be with you.**

Dear Parishioners & Visitors

A blessed Christmas to you all and my deep gratitude to you all for all that you do and are to support the life of Our Lady of Kāpiti Parish. We have been so blessed during this year - in our prayer and liturgy; in our parish groups and ministries; in the celebration of the sacraments and our service of the poor; in our generosity to the Missions and our care of the sick and housebound. To you all who, in so many ways, actively and generously build the Body of Christ here and beyond thank you.

With every blessing for Christmas and the New Year

Michael McCabe

Parish Priest

'Mary's Yes'

**Mary - she opens her hands and she nods
And the promises come true in her surrender
The most high God lodging within her willing yes
Beneath her heart beats the love of God
There is no need to produce or perform or perfect
- simply to become a place for God to dwell. That is all.**

Here in this union of time and space God's grace is made visible.

Conceive: is not passive, but an active verb.

Its root in Latin means nothing less than to 'seize, to take hold of.'

When grace conceives in you, you take hold of God...

- Adapted from Ann Voskamp



***CONGRATULATIONS TO Margaret & Glen McCullough
who will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary
on Boxing Day. With Best wishes and many blessings
from your Parish Family.***

Mass times this week:	Monday 26:	9.30am Our Lady of Fatima Church
	Tuesday 27:	9.30am St Patrick's Church
	Wednesday 28: Holy Innocents:	9.30am Our Lady of Fatima Church
	Friday 30: Holy Family:	9.30am St Patrick's Church

PASTORAL NOTICES

WE ARE BUILDING A CHURCH

In two years we have raised a million dollars! BUT there is still a long way to go.

We know it is not always possible for various reasons to pledge an amount but if you would still like to make a donation once in a while our bank account is: **Our Lady of Kāpiti Building Fund 02-0536-0170550-20.**

For regular giving, building fund envelopes are available from the Parish Office.

Sincere thanks to all for your generous support of our fundraising for our new Church.

We are deeply grateful for all the initiatives during this past year especially that has seen the total funds raised now at \$1,530,230.00. This includes parishioner's pledges.

By February 2017 we will have reached final settlement on all land and buildings sold at Paraparaumu and at Presentation Way. Our loan to the Archdiocese will also have been paid off which leaves the Church and administration offices to be built.

At this stage it seems likely that we will divide this final stage of our parish redevelopment into two parts - the building of the Church, and then, later, the building of our new administration offices.

On behalf of the Steering Group and all the Parish Leadership groups we wish you a very blessed Christmas.

Sincerely, John O'Sullivan. Chairperson.



'Let's Build a Church' Garden Party'

at the home of Jim and Joan Bolger, Lavinia Grove, Waikanae,

The date: Sunday 22nd January. The time: 1 to 4 pm.

The plan: Join us for an afternoon enjoying the hospitality, music, entertainment, finger food, a glass of cheers, local arts and crafts for display and sale. A fabulous Gardener's raffle and auction.

Tickets: Essential and \$25.00 each, limit 200, so they will sell out.

After mass, from next week, until sold out.

OR, be safe, online bobhouston@xtra.co.nz

Any enquiry, to Bob at 2933390



CONDOLENCES TO: Jennifer Lawton on the death of her husband Philip Lawton whose Requiem Mass was held on Thursday. **May he rest in peace.**

REMEMBERING OUR DEAD

We remember at this special time all parishioners and family members who have died during the year, in particular Philip Lawton; Daniel Lobb; also Fr Jim Sorahan who has died in Ireland.

MAY THEY REST IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The Parish Office re-opens 10 January 2017

The first newsletter for 2017 will be for Sunday 15 January 2017

Notices for the newsletter need to be in by 12pm on Wednesday 11 January 2017.



Our Lady of Fatima Church
29 Parata Street, Waikanae

Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30pm

Sunday Mass 8.30am

WEEKDAY TIMETABLE

Wednesday: Mass 9.30am

Friday: Mass 9.30am every 2nd Week

Liturgy of the Word & Holy

Communion on alternate weeks

Tues & Thurs: Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion 9.30am

*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Friday 8.30am
Sacrament of Reconciliation follows Friday Mass*

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St Patrick's Church
16 Hinemoa Street, Paraparaumu

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