

## TODAY is Caring Sunday Annual Appeal 26<sup>th</sup> July 2020,

Common Good Foundation [Catholic Care in action] is asking for your support please on **Caring Sunday** (26<sup>th</sup> July) so we may help all people in our community who are struggling in this time of social upheaval due to the Covid pandemic. It is hoped that some Parish-based support initiatives may be set up in this outreach. As usual, we will endeavour to fund applications received from all community groups across the Diocese.

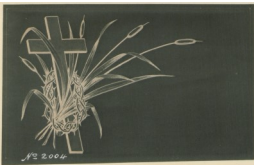
Please look out for our appeal letters in your parish. If you are on our donor base, please do not take another newsletter as you will have received one in the post. Online donations are always gratefully received at [www.commongood.org.nz/donate](http://www.commongood.org.nz/donate) Thank you.

### **New website for NZ Presentation Sisters**

The NZ Presentation Sisters have launched a new website. They have quite an interesting history which the website gives a good insight into.

The statement is online here: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/presentation-sisters-launch-website/>

Their website is at : [www.presentationistersnz.com](http://www.presentationistersnz.com)



*Hubert Wolter's Funeral Service will be held at Saint Mary Star of the Sea on Saturday 1st August at 1.30 pm. All welcome*

## **Health & Safety Alert**

### **No Parking Area**

**Please ensure your vehicle is not parked over the yellow lines. This park is reserved as wheelchair access to the Assembly Point in the case of a Fire.**



## **St Mary Star of the Sea - Gisborne**

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### **25th and 26th July 2020**

Sat	25 Jul	6.00 pm		Brian (Mick) Rofe
Sun	26 Jul	9.00 am	Caring Sunday	People of the Parish
		11.00am	Matawai	
Mon	27 Jul	7.30 am		
Tues	28 Jul	6.00 pm		Tom Bottrill
Wed	29 Jul	9.30 am		
Thurs	30 Jul	9.00am		
Fri	31 Jul	11.30am	Confession	
		12.10pm		Jonathan Temm
Sat	01 Aug	9.00 am		Hubert Wolter
		9.30am	Confession	
		6.00pm		
Sun	02 Aug	9.00 am	Maori Mass	People of the Parish

### **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

FIRST READING:

**Kings 3: 5, 7 -12**

PSALM:

**119**

**Lord, I love your commands**

SECOND READING:

**Romans 8: 28- 30**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

**Blessed are you Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.**

GOSPEL :

**Matthew 13: 44-52**



*We pray for our Bishop Steve Lowe. May he be blessed in his ministry with our Diocese of Hamilton. May our Lady bless his ministry.*

**NEXT WEEKS READINGS** - 18th week Ordinary time

First Reading : 1Isaiah 55: 1-3

Psalm: 145

Second Reading : Romans 8: 35, 37-39

Gospel : Matthew 14: 13-21

Parish office Hours 9.30 am-12.30 pm Mon-Fri

Diocesan website: [newsletter.cdh.nz](http://newsletter.cdh.nz)

Last Sunday's collection total (including estimated Automatic Payments \$2,192.50)

## Monsignor Frank's Message

Dear parishioners of St. Mary Star of the Sea and all visitors,

Today is 'Caring Sunday' when we are all asked to make a contribution to the Common Good Foundation of our own Hamilton Diocese. The fund enables our diocese to reach out generously with practical help for areas of need especially in our Catholic community. Those of you who did not receive an Envelope by post can pick one up at the table in the Church foyer. Groups within parishes, who have identified an area of need, are encouraged, with the consent of the Parish Priest, to apply to the Common Good Foundation for funding.

On Tuesday, the Parish Leadership Committee decided unanimously that as from **August 15th** our Saturday evening Mass will begin at **5.00 pm**. When Daylight Saving begins again, a decision will then be made on whether or not to return to the present time of 6.00pm.

All parishioners are cordially invited to the 'Current of Grace' evening of sacred songs, prayer and reflection this Monday evening (27th July) in the Parish Centre beginning at 6.30pm. Sister Cynthia will present a teaching on 'God's Love'.

The Wednesday Mass at 9.30am will be a full School Mass for St. Mary's School. During the Mass I will have the extraordinary joy of receiving into the Church the Deputy Principal of St. Mary's, Mrs. Sarah Aperahama, and the School Secretary, Mrs Caroline Puketapu. Sarah and Caroline will be confirmed by Bishop Steve and receive their first Holy Communion from him when he is with us on August 9th. Sarah and Caroline have been especially helped on their Faith journey by the School Principal, Helen McGuigan. A big congratulations to St. Mary's School and welcome Sarah and Caroline.

On Thursday our Catholic Women's League Group celebrated their 70th Birthday with a joy-filled lunch, sing-song and the telling of stories of wonderful people of the past and the present. Congratulations to you from us all.

This coming Friday (July 31st) Fr. Fernando Alombro will celebrate a special Mass for our Filipino parishioners at 7.00pm in our Parish Church. All are very welcome.

On Saturday we celebrated the Baptism of Kalia Harrison, the 12 year old daughter of Tunis Harrison and Leanne Hollis. Later in the day we baptised two little cousins: Rupert Greer and Nella Geuze - the son of James Greer and Katherine O'Leary and the daughter of Mark Geuze and Danielle O'Leary respectively. Congratulations to all the families and welcome, children, into our Catholic family.

Kind Wishes, Mons Frank

Cynthia Piper from our Hamilton Diocese is asking for a Volunteer from each parish (including Gisborne) to become involved with the understanding of the End of Life Choice Bill which is going to a referendum at the time of the general election.

If someone from our Parish is interested in volunteering you will be given full training by a Group set up by the Nathaniel Centre and the New Zealand Bishops Conference.

Please refer to Monsignor Frank for any further details



**REMINDER** COG (Current of Grace Prayer Group)  
**Next Monthly Meeting is Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020**  
**6.30pm to 7.30pm – Parish Centre**  
**with a presentation from Sr. Cynthia**  
**On "Gods Love"**

All Parishioners/friends are warmly welcome and we end with a shared supper, please come along, It is great

### COAST TO COAST ROSARY FOR LIFE and FAITH

*Come and join us — All Welcome*

**Date:** Saturday 15th August **Time:** 3.00 pm

**Venue:** St Mary's Star of the Sea

With so much happening around us, I feel this rosary is very timely  
A cuppa will follow the Rosary

Look forward to your support

Judy Wilson Ph. 867 4417 Marist Laity

An invitation for people interested in planning our Season of Creation in September; please phone Chris: 0272838936 or email: [chriscrowenz@gmail.com](mailto:chriscrowenz@gmail.com). "Let ours be a time remembered for the awakening of a new reverence for life, the firm resolve to achieve sustainability, the quickening of the struggle for justice and peace, and the joyful celebration of life." LS 207.

**The knitting and craft group** will start meeting again this Wednesday 29th August in the meeting room at 1.30 pm–3.30 pm. Please phone Alexia for any information 86 8 6954. All Welcome