

WAITING WITH PATIENCE...

How do we wait for God? We wait with patience. But patience does not mean passivity. Waiting patiently is not like waiting for the bus to come, the rain to stop, or the sun to rise. It is an active waiting in which we live the present moment to the full in order to find there the signs of the One we are waiting for.

The word patience comes from the Latin verb *patior* which means "to suffer". Waiting patiently is suffering through the present moment, tasting it to the full, and letting the seeds that are sown in the ground on which we stand grow into strong plants. Waiting patiently always means paying attention to what is happening right before our eyes and seeing there the first rays of God's glorious coming.



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For those who wish to continue to subscribe to our Parish Pledge Envelope Scheme, feel free to use the envelopes located by the Notice Board at the back of the Church. And if you are new to the system, please let any member of the Finance Committee know so that we can allocate a planned giving number to record your donation. You can also call the Parish Office on 401 7429 for further information. Thank you for your generosity.

Last Sunday's Collection: Kerikeri: \$688.37; Waitaruke: \$73.40
Thank you for your kind generosity. God bless.

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to new members and visitors to Holy Family Catholic Church, Kerikeri, and Sacred Heart Church, Waitaruke. If you would like to be a part of the Planned Giving scheme, please complete the form below:

Please tick the box for the church you want to support, complete the form, and send it to: **PO Box 531 Kerikeri 0245:**

- () Holy Family Catholic Church, Kerikeri,
() Sacred Heart Church, Waitaruke: **See Debbie (09-405 0537)**

Name: _____

Phone: (Home/Work): _____ Email Address: _____

Home Address: _____

Kerikeri and Waitaruke

Holy Family
Catholic Church
36 Cobham Road
Kerikeri

Catholic Pastoral Area
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Sacred Heart
Catholic Church
Waitaruke, 876 SH 10
Whangaroa 0478

Weekly Mass Times

HOLY FAMILY PARISH (Kerikeri)

Sunday Mass
10:15 am.

Tuesday 9.15 am

Wednesday 9.15 am

Friday 12:30 pm

**First Saturday 9:00
am**

**First Friday of the
Month: HOLY HOUR
AND RECONCILIATION**
11:30 am to 12:15 pm
prior to Mass.

**Reconciliation: Every
Saturday 10 am**

SACRED HEART PARISH (Waitaruke)

Saturday Vigil Mass
5:00 pm

**NB: Liturgy of the Word
every 3rd Saturday of
the Month at 5:00 pm**

Second Sunday of Advent

THE GOSPEL
LUKE 3: 1-6

The word of God came to John.

THE FIRST READING
BARUCH 5: 1-9

*For God has commanded that every lofty
mountain be made low.*

THE SECOND READING
PHILIPPIANS 1: 3-6, 8-11

*That your love may increase ever more
and more in knowledge and every kind of
perception, to discern what is of value.*

“Prepare the way, make straight the
paths.
Every valley filled and hills made low.
All flesh shall see the salvation of God.”

Anne Osdieck

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Parish Notices:

There will be no Mass on Tuesday, 11th Dec., or Wednesday, 12th Dec.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Rite II (communal prayer with individual confession and absolution) will be celebrated on Thursday Dec. 13 at 7pm. Additional priests will be present. The celebration of this sacrament is primarily a celebration of God's mercy and is an excellent way to prepare for Christmas in a spiritual manner.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS by Fr John O'Connor of Christchurch:
www.foodforfaith.org.nz

Pax Christi Aotearoa New Zealand AGM will be held at 2F, 22 Emily Place, Auckland Central, 5.30pm, Wednesday 12 December 2018. All welcome.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS with the Bay of Island Singers at Cornerstone Church Wednesday Dec 12, 6-7 pm. Free entry, koha for Women's Refuge.

ANGEL TREE: Many thanks to those who have taken the Angel Cards which have all been collected. Can they please be returned by Sunday 9 December, as well as any donations people may wish to give to me. Gift Wrapping Day will be Tuesday 11 December, so anyone interested, please phone me - 4076880. Thanks and blessings. Sue.

The St Andrew's Singers from Mangonui have agreed to bring their annual Carol service to Kaeo Union Church on Friday 14 December at 7pm. All welcome.

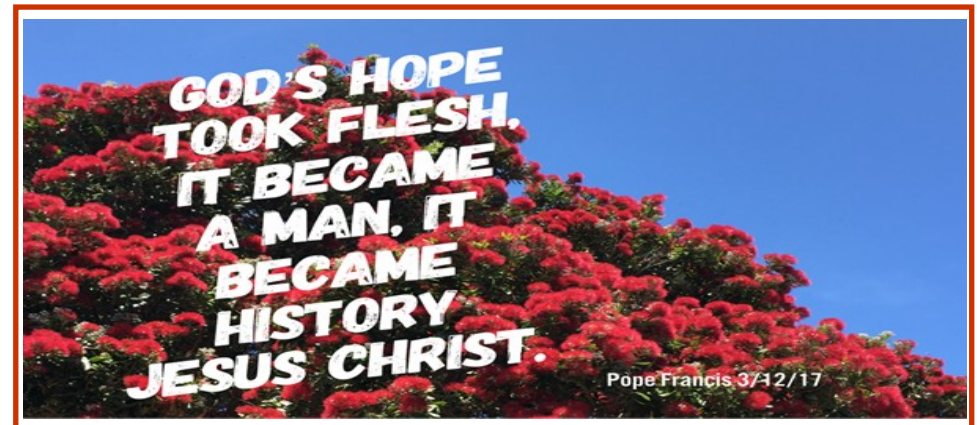
Hearts Aflame 2019: 4-13 January - A summer school for young adults, 18-35 years old at Nga Tawa College, Marton. Further details on the Notice Board.

CARITAS GIFTS are the perfect way to show friends and loved ones that you are thinking of them while helping people in need. To find out more, **phone 0800 22 10 22 or email caritas@caritas.org.nz**

FOOD BANK: Thank you for your continuing generosity in response to the Food Bank's request for help. Your gift of food makes a real difference to the recipients.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

VIGIL Dec 24 Waitaruke 8 pm
CHRISTMAS DAY Dec 25 Kerikeri 10.15 am



Sunday's Readings and Rosters for Kerikeri 2018

<p>9th December 2018 The Second Sunday of Advent</p> <p>Next Week's Readings: Baruch 5:1-9 Philippians 1:3-6, 8-11 Luke 3:1-6</p>	<p>16th December 2018 The Third Sunday of Advent: Gaudete Sunday</p> <p>Next Week's Readings: Zephaniah 3:14-18 Philippians 4:4-7 Luke 3:10-18</p>
<p>Welcome: Olivier Laptop: Murray Reader 1: Marie B Reader 2: David Prayers of the Faithful: Sue Ministers of the Eucharist: Peter B, Wiga, Filomena Sacristan: Howard Hospitality: Lorna Church cleaning: Janet and Tony Lawns: Howard</p>	<p>Welcome: Rod Laptop: Howard Reader 1: Maria C Reader 2: Sione Prayers of the Faithful: Filomena Ministers of the Eucharist: Lisa, Fonu, Judy Sacristan: Steve L Hospitality: Wiga and Olivier Church cleaning: Judy Lawns: Howard</p>

Please pray for the sick:

Those recovering from surgery, illness or in need of our prayers, especially **Geoff Davies, Leone Booth, Paul Vujcich, Hanna Manser, Jesse Prendergast and Margaret McCue.** Please keep them in your prayers.

We remember those who have died recently:

George Owen, Maria Howie, Loui Katene, Dion Hodder, Consorcia de Guzman, and our loved ones whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.
Eternal rest grant unto them, oh Lord...

Parish Newsletter:

A reminder to all our parishioners that if you have any items to be included in the Newsletter, please send it to the following email address by Thursday night.
kerikericatholic@gmail.com, or phone 401 7429.