

**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A) – 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2011**

First Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19;

**Responsorial Psalm: (Ps 85)**

**R/ Lord, you are good and forgiving.**

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-27;

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43.

24<sup>th</sup> July, 2011

17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am	7.00pm
ALTAR SERVERS	Bowen Hodgson, Ben Stockman, Louis Andrews	Sophie Ballard, Lydia O'Callaghan, Sophie Hooker
PROJECTIONISTS	Ryan Jordon	James Maguire
PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS	Trish Conner	Sullivan Family
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	J Morrison, B Morrison, A Searle	S Consedine, P Consedine, M McCormick
READERS	M McIntyre, R Sinclair	S Clemens, T Shaw
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Carol Thomson	
GREETERS & COLLECTORS	J Maguire	S Clemens
ENVELOPE COUNTERS	Counter: Pat Maloney Banker: Wendy Clarke	
SUNDAY MORNING TEA	Kathleen Ell	
CHILDRENS LITURGY	School Holidays	

**Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Annual General Meeting is scheduled to be held on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2011 after the 9am Mass.** Nominations are required for the Parish Council. If you wish to nominate someone please fill in the nomination form below and hand it in at the presbytery or put it in the collection plate. Remember the person nominated must accept nomination.

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**NOMINATION FORM FOR OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH COUNCIL**

I ..... NOMINATE .....  
**FOR THE OLA PARISH COUNCIL**

I ..... SECOND THE NOMINATION.

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**NEW PARISHIONERS** We welcome you to our Parish!

Please make yourself known to us by completing the form below and leaving it in the collection basket. May you find friendship, warmth and Catholic fulfillment in our community.

Name: .....

Phone No: ..... Email: .....

Address: .....

**MASS TIMES**

**Sunday observance**

(in the parish hall)

Sunday 9.00am & 7.00pm

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

(4 Rose Street, Hoon Hay)

Monday: 8.30 am

Tuesday: 8.30 am

Wednesday: 8.30 am

Thursday: 8.30 am

Friday: 8.30 am

Saturday: **NO MASS**

*A Funeral Mass will take the place of the scheduled Weekday Mass.*



**RECONCILIATION**

Anytime by appointment  
 (No usual Saturday Reconciliation while Church is unavailable)

**ADORATION**

Friday and  
**First Thursday Adoration has ceased until further notice.**

**OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH**

**170 Hoon Hay Road, Christchurch**

Parish Priest, **Father Kevin Wei**, Phone 338 8624 Email: kevinmartinwei@hotmail.com

Parish Secretary - **Kristine Drury** (Office hours: 9.00am – 3.30pm Mon., Wed., & Thurs.)

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17<sup>th</sup> July, 2011

**16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

Matthew 13:24-43

*Today's Gospel presents us with three parables each depicting a different aspect of what I call, 'God's dream for God's people'.*

*The images are not spectacular: wheat that is sown and later invaded by weeds. That evil flourishes alongside the good creates a problem for human thinking. God's patience allows it, honouring the gift of free will. A mustard seed, regarded as the smallest seed in Palestine. Despite its smallness, the Kingdom will come about, producing a tree that will shelter many. Yeast that acts invisibly and powerfully does from within what it is supposed to do - leaven the whole dough. Similarly God's love acts from within silently and effectively, like yeast.*

*God's dream for God's people will come about in spite of human obstacles.*

## **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS YEAR A**

17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2011

**First Reading:** 1 kg 3:5, 7-12; **Second Reading:** Rom 8:28-30; **Gospel:** Mt 13:44-52.

## **FEAST DAYS OF THE WEEK**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July:** *St Apollinaris*

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July:** *St Lawrence of Brindisi*

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July:** *St Mary Magdalene*

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July:** *St Bridget.*

## **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Please pray for Bishop Barry Jones, Father Bernie Goulding, Mons Gerry O'Connor, Debbie Bennett, Emmet Conaglen, David Rose, Catherine Grant and those who are sick in our Parish community. If you have family or friends you would particularly like mentioned in the Bulletin, please let us know at the Parish Office. Ph: 338 8624.

*In your great love please pray for  
Herbert Shaw (Rec Dec); Brenda Nolan (Rec Dec);  
Pat Chesmar (Rec Dec); Jim Kane (Anniv.);  
R.I.P.*

## **PARISH GIVING:**

**10/07/2011 Clergy Trust Fund: \$291.20 Parish: \$582.50**

## **SOME IMPORTANT NOTICES . . .**

### **DUE TO THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF THE CHURCH PLEASE NOTE:**

**SUNDAY MASSES:** Both the 9.00am & 7.00pm Sunday Masses will be celebrated in the Parish Hall.

**WEEK-DAY MASSES:** Daily Mass **Monday to Friday** will be celebrated at **8.30am** at the Community of the Brothers of St John of God located at 4 Rose Street, Hoon Hay (House 'B' – Middle House) ALL WELCOME;

**RECONCILIATION** will be by appointment -There will be no usual Saturday Reconciliation;

**ADORATION:** No Friday or First Thursday Adoration until further notice;

**ROSTERS:** There are a number of rosters ready to collect from the table at the back of the hall. Please collect Prayers of the Faithful, Projectionists, Greeters & Collectors, Readers & Eucharistic Ministers Rosters **TODAY**. Thank you.

## **CHURCH KEYS**

For safety reasons would all those parishioners holding church keys please return these to the Parish Office. Please ensure that your name is included with the returned key. Thank you

**Celebrating 50 years of the Catholic Enquiry Centre** - Bishop Barry Jones invites you to join him in celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee of the Catholic Enquiry Centre in New Zealand. Sunday 14 August 2 pm at St Bede's College, Main North Rd.

**JOURNEYS OF ST PAUL PILGRIMAGE** May 2012. You are invited to join Fr Chris Friel of Timaru on his Journeys of St Paul Pilgrimage to The Holy Land, Turkey & Greece. If interested please contact Fr Chris Friel (03 6862013) or Pilgrimage Tours Ph: 0800 745474.

**NEW ZEALAND APOSTOLIC CONGRESS ON MERCY** will be held at St Bede's College 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2011. This event is both a celebration and worship of the mercy of God, Divine Mercy, and a window into understanding how we must both ask for and practise mercy in our lives and how the Church sees Divine Mercy as the new paradigm for evangelisation – Mercy first as a way of life, second the message, and third the devotion. Enquiries Ph: 359 2087 email: [info@divinemercy.co.nz](mailto:info@divinemercy.co.nz). Registrations should be made by August 15<sup>th</sup>.

## *Diocesan Notices . . .*

### **EARTHQUAKE RECOVERY**

All welcome to a day of fasting, prayer and consolation St Matthews, 108 Jeffreys Rd, Bryndwr, Saturday 13 August, from 10.00am - 3.00pm as a time to renew our inner strength. Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am, followed by Adoration. Reconciliation is available 10.30am - 11.30am.

Divine mercy and benediction concluding at 3.00pm.

*"They that wait upon the Lord will renew their strength..." Isaiah 40:31*

### **RETREAT DAY**

#### **When Things Fall Apart: Matthew's Lessons for Facing Change**

Matthew's spiritual community was shaken to the core following the destruction of the Jewish Temple, the massacre of its priesthood and loss of their ritual life. They were living through days of internal devastation. The Gospel of Matthew held timely wisdom for those days and practical lessons for us. Dr Alexander J Shaia PhD, is a Spiritual Director, educator, psychologist, liturgist, writer and professional speaker. Wednesday 27 July, 10.00am - 4.00pm, Mary Potter Community Centre, 442 Durham St. Cost \$50. BYO Lunch, tea & coffee provided. To register leave a message on 326 6897 or email: [sr.eveleen@xtra.co.nz](mailto:sr.eveleen@xtra.co.nz) Planned by Sister Eveleen Retreat Centre.

### **RETREAT WEEKEND**

#### **Strength for the Journey: Grace for Facing Change**

Change events are the usual harbinger of a new and unknown journey. Using the Four Gospel Journey as our metaphor and the text of Matthew as our guide, we will open ourselves to grace, seeking the strength to move forward. Dr Alexander J Shaia PhD, is a Spiritual Director, educator, psychologist, liturgist, writer and professional speaker.

7.00pm - 9.30pm, Friday 29 July and 10.00am - 4.00pm Saturday 30 July. Mary Potter Community Centre, 442 Durham St. Cost \$70. BYO lunch, tea & coffee provided. Registration is essential. Leave a message at 326 6897 or email: [sr.eveleen@xtra.co.nz](mailto:sr.eveleen@xtra.co.nz) Planned by the Sister Eveleen Retreat Centre.

### **SOUNDS CATHOLIC**

This Sunday, we feature our Cathedral organ. We don't know if and when we will hear it again. Sounds Catholic shares a recording made in the Cathedral of the Mathias 'Missa Brevis'. The organ is very much to the fore. Hear us on Sundays, 12.00pm & 10.00pm on Plains fm 96.9. You can listen online at: [www.chch.catholic.org.nz/radio](http://www.chch.catholic.org.nz/radio)

*The weekly newsletter is available for viewing on the school website: [www.ola.school.nz](http://www.ola.school.nz)*

Our Parish is part of the **Christchurch South Pastoral Area** comprising the parishes of Addington, Akaroa, Beckenham, Halswell & Hoon Hay.