



LEVIN-TAITOKO

**"A COMMUNITY RADIATING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST"**

**THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOSEPH  
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**Mass Tuesday to Thursday 9am Friday 12:10pm**

**Liturgy of The Word with Communion Monday 9am**

**Friday Adoration 11am Mass 12:10pm Reconciliation after Mass**

**(8-8-20) Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30pm (9-8-20) Sunday Mass 9:15am**

### FINDING GOD

### 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

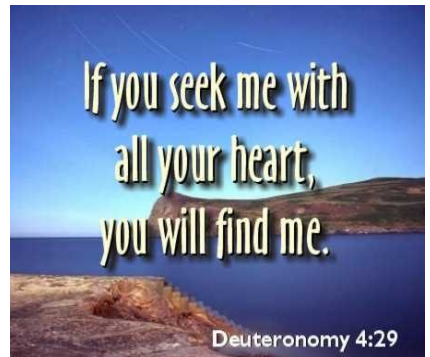
The God of revelation is a hidden and mysterious God. The disciples experienced this God on the Sea of Galilee: they were caught in a storm while Jesus was up on a mountain by himself praying. The Gospel says they were terrified when they saw him walking on the water.

Elijah thought he would experience God in a strong and heavy wind, or in an earthquake, or in a fire. Instead he found God in "a tiny whispering sound."

We keep thinking that God will be found in the great and powerful, and we wonder why so many people seem never to find God.

Our sights have to be lowered, so to speak, from the powerful to the powerless, from the rich to the poor, from the satisfied to the suffering, from the oppressors to the oppressed. We have to listen carefully for the tiny whispering sounds of alienation and powerlessness.

(To Love and Serve: Lectionary Based  
Meditations, by Gerald Darring)



This is an effective image of the Church: a boat which must brave the storms and sometimes seems on the point of capsizing. What saves her is not the skill and courage of her crew members, but faith which allows her to walk, even in the dark, amid hardships. Faith gives us the certainty of Jesus' presence always beside us, of his hand which grasps us to pull us back from danger.

Pope Francis: Angelus 10 August 2014

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**ST. VINCENT de PAUL, Levin**

Meeting on Thursday 13 August at 10.30am in the Parish Centre. Thank you for your support with our Food and Funds collection last week end. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

### **TUESDAY SOCIAL GROUP**

Join the group for a light, happy, encouraging, very supportive and inspiring very informal animating social gathering, always on Tuesdays @ the Parish Centre from 1:30 to 3pm. Need a ride? Ring 063689796.

### **SHARING OUR STORY**

Coming soon! Watch this space as individuals and groups share their stories to make us understand better not only how to relate with one another but also to enrich our lives getting to know one another better. This would be a monthly activity on one Sunday afternoon.

### **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION**

7pm Side Chapel. Short reflection on meditation, then a silent meditation. All welcome. For enquiries ring Krista 0274916384"  
Seminarians – please remember to pray for our 4 Wellington Archdiocese seminarians. Their details are on the poster at the back of the church.



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**THANK YOU** to all who represented us at the Chrism Mass last Saturday at Our Lady of Kapiti in Paraparaumu, including the children who received the oils to be presented to the community.

### BRAIN TEASER:

"Yes, I believe" is a form of the Creed that we sometimes sing at Mass. Who, in the gospels says this to Jesus?

ANSWER: Martha, (Feast Day 29 July) when Jesus promises her that Lazarus will rise again. John 11: 27

### COAST TO COAST ROSARY FOR LIFE

On the weekend of the 15th and 16th August the feast of the Assumption of Our Lady into heaven, our patronal feast, a Coast to Coast Rosary throughout New Zealand. The main intention is to pray for the honouring of the gift of life. So many lives are lost in abortion and euthanasia. We will pray in reparation and intercession for a culture of life to prevail in our society. We will host an event on Sunday, the 16th August with a rosary procession from the school to the Church of St. Joseph, Levin. Everyone is invited.

### PAX CHRISTI AOTEAROA

Remembering the tragedy that is war, on this the 75th anniversary of the dropping of atomic bombs on Hiroshima (August 6th) and Nagasaki (August 9th) in Japan 1945. We pray for the prohibition of all nuclear weapons and to pray for peace in the world.

### HEALING SERVICE

Tuesday 18 August in Our Lady of Fatima Church Tawa with Fr John Rea, beginning at 7.30 pm. Please invite and bring those who need Jesus` healing. All are welcome. Enquiries: Ph. 04 8198323

### ALERT LEVEL 1 REMINDERS

- The dispensation, with regards Sunday Mass, remains in place;
- stay home if you feel unwell;
- remember to sanitise;
- Communion on the tongue permitted with those concerned queuing last;
- be kind to one another

Rest in  
Peace

May the souls of our beloved dead and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

LILLIAN OLIVER    NANCY GAY    MARY MCKEEFRY

PAULINE DUFLOU    COLEEN ANN WILSON

ERROL SHERMAN    MARIE CELINE O'DONNELL

And those we especially remember at this time.

## Why do we hold paraliturgies?

A paraliturgy is a religious celebration outside of the Mass and the Sacraments. Paraliturgies have two main purposes. First, they can be a means of instructing people in the faith, explaining the rites and dogmas of the Church, teaching the history, spirituality and symbolism of Church practice, and generally improving knowledge.

The second type of paraliturgy is a form of worship where liturgical elements are displayed or used, but which, technically, are not part of the official liturgy of the Church. An example would be the Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion which is often held in our parish when there is no Mass. A further example of a paraliturgy with which we are familiar is the vigil service for a deceased person. Here we have Scripture, a devotional practice such as the Rosary, etc. These services are based on the central themes of our Catholic worship and are designed to enhance the spiritual life of the participants and thereby strengthen the faith of the parish community at large, besides sometimes being the expression of a particular religious devotion or a prayer for supernatural help.



### Readings at Sunday Mass

**(This Sunday)** I Kgs 19:9,11-13 / Ps 84 (85):9-14 / Rm 9:1-5 / Mt 14:22-33

**Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation!**

**(Next Sunday)** Rev 11:19,12:1-6,10 / Ps 44(45):10-12,16 / I Cor 15:20-26 / Lk 1:39-56

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