



WORLD DAY OF THE POOR 2018

The Archdiocese of Wellington had a number of activities and events for the 2nd World Day of the Poor, 18 November 2018.

ARCHDIOCESAN MASS FOR THE WORLD DAY OF THE POOR:

The Archdiocesan Mass for the World Day of the Poor and Tercentenary of the birth of Presentation Sisters founder Nano Nagle was held at St Michael's Taita, Te Awakairangi parish. Mass was followed by a community barbeque and meal. Over four large boxes of non-perishable food items were also collected and taken to the Lower Hutt foodbank.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL POP-UP FREE STORES:




Over 900 people visited the St Vincent de Paul free pop-up store in Newtown on Saturday 17 November, and over 300 the Porirua store on Monday 19 November. Pop-up stores were also run in Petone, Stokes Valley, Wainuiomata and Levin. People were invited to take away secondhand clothing and other used items for free, and Levin had some other items on sale at very low prices. It was also a time for food, music, companionship and people had a chance to talk to representatives of a range of community organisations.



BETTER OFF TOGETHER/HE WAKA EKE NOA GATHERING

Over 80 people met for workshops and discussion at Bishop Viard College in Porirua at the gathering hosted by youth development organisations Challenge 2000.





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SATURDAY 17TH NOVEMBER | 10AM-4PM
BISHOP VIARD COLLEGE, PORIRUA

PROGRAMME

10.00AM - MIHI WHAKATAU
10.30AM - MORNING TEA
11.00AM - INTRODUCTION
11.15AM - WORKSHOP 1
12.45PM - LUNCH PROVIDED
1.30PM - WORKSHOP 2
2.45PM - AFTERNOON TEA / SIGN-UP FOR ACTION
3.15PM - FINAL LITURGY

WORKSHOPS INCLUDE

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| <p>ECOLOGY: THE CRY OF EARTH, THE CRY OF THE POOR PETER HEALY sm</p> <p>"GO YOU ARE SENT TO BUILD AN INCLUSIVE AND WELCOMING COMMUNITY" TELESIA ALAIMOANA</p> <p>TE RONGO TIHEI - THE PRACTICE OF PEACEFULNESS MAPIHI KELLAND</p> <p>VOICES AND VISIONS OF HOPE: ART AND POETRY JACOB BANG</p> <p>POVERTY AND PRISONS MARIE ROCHE msj</p> | <p>THE TREATY OF WAITANGI: A PAKEHA PERSPECTIVE AND CALL TO ACTION KITTY MCKINLEY</p> <p>SOCIAL JUSTICE AND ACTION IN CATHOLIC COLLEGES GERARD TULLY</p> <p>FINDING A HOME IN A HOUSING CRISIS PELASO IASETO-FILO + SHANE COLEMAN</p> <p>INSPIRING PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS THROUGH SOCIAL JUSTICE EDUCATION SAVESI APOLO + GABRIELLE LAWSON</p> <p>AND MANY MORE...</p> |
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SPONSORED MEALS AT THE COMPASSION SOUP KITCHEN



The Wellington Soup Kitchen was started by Ven. Suzanne Aubert of the Sisters of Compassion in 1901 and continues to serve meals twice a day, six days a week. During the week before the World Day of the Poor, meals were sponsored and served by Ōtari and Holy Trinity parishes, Cardinal McKeefrey school, staff of The Catholic Institute, St Vincent de Paul Plimmerton, Anna & Nigel of Wellington South parish, and Cardinal John Dew and members of the Archdiocesan Pastoral Council.





COMMISSION FOR ECOLOGY, JUSTICE AND PEACE SOCIAL ANALYSIS

WORKSHOP 30 people gathered together on Wednesday 14 November for a day-long reflection and analysis workshop hosted by the Archdiocesan Commission for Ecology, Justice and Peace. It was based on the experiences of the Upper Hutt and Naenae benefit impacts, where parish organisations and others in the community gathered together for a week each in 2016 and 2017 to invite local people to check benefit (social security) entitlements, and to advocate for them with local government offices.



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH UPPER HUTT

St Joseph's parish welcomed people to check benefit (Social Security) entitlements, distributed 125 sausages for lunch, and with the support of other Hutt communities distributed \$1000 worth of meat packs



FRUITCAKES FOR KAIKŌURA

Many people in the southern part of our Archdiocese are still living with the impacts of the 2016 Marlborough/Kaikōura earthquake. As an gesture of friendship and solidarity, 145 fruitcakes were collected from North Island parishes and delivered to Kaikōura



by the Society of St Vincent de Paul on Tuesday 13 Nov in time for the 2nd anniversary of the Marlborough earthquake. They were distributed by local groups from the parish and marae, and the response was that they were received with the love and goodwill with which they were sent.

COLLECTIONS FOR FOODBANKS:

Many parishes of the Archdiocese organised special collections of food for foodbanks at Masses on the World Day of the Poor.