

**ROSTERS TO BE CONFIRMED  
NEXT WEEK**

**Musicians/ Organists**

Liz Veronica Ann

**Greeters:** Cathy, Owen, John **Cleaning team:** I  
**Counters:** Dianne

**Requests for Masses** Envelopes are available at the back of the church . Please write the details on the front, place your donation inside envelope & hand to Father.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Our Diocese requires courses to be taken before baptism or marriage. For **Baptism** phone the office on **846-6775** For **Marriage**, please visit [www.catholicmarriage.org.nz](http://www.catholicmarriage.org.nz)

**House blessings & visits** or unable to get to Mass, please contact the Parish office on 8466775 to have communion brought to you. For a visit from a Priest at Auckland Hospital, please call 358-0825 ext. 4000 or 4045

**Senior Legion of Mary** - meet Friday evenings at 6pm in our Church. Phone Cathy on 8460339 for more info.

**Catholic Publications** – The Parish purchases and sells the latest editions of : **Marist Messenger** -\$5, **Tui Motu** - \$7 & **NZ Catholic** \$4 latest issue out now. Please place money in the envelopes & put it in the collection bags.

**Food Bank** : Our Parish provides foodstuff to those in need in our Community. Your dry goods donations of canned foods, long life milk, jams, spreads, rice, biscuits, pasta sauce & pasta are greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity.

**Your Prayers are requested this week for**

**Sick members of our Parish** - Jonathan Ross, Theo Purcell, Lisa Finucane, Lorenzo Culham, Tim Lythe, Rica Cabral, Ashley Rodrigues, Ang Siong, Luca Fairgray, Therese Graham, Baby Reilly, Rhoneil Mercado, Ronald Sanidad, Cedric Menezes, Alex Wade, Elizabeth Beckham, Frances Nacey, Fr John Webb, Jerry Noble, Michael Loughlin, Mary Guolo and Sr Margaret.

*Please let the office know if you wish to have a name placed on or taken off the prayer list.*

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**28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ 11 OCTOBER 2020**



**ST. MARY'S PARISH - MT. ALBERT, AUCKLAND**

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**WORSHIP SCHEDULE THIS WEEK  
MASS TIMINGS**

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays - 9 am  
Tuesday - 7 pm  
Thursday - 10 am  
Saturday - 9 am, followed by Reconciliation Rite 1  
Sunday - 8 am, 10 am & 5.30 pm

***VALUING THE VULNERABLE***

*The Covid-19 pandemic has brought us again to face ancient questions about the different ways we value life.*

*While the society around us often shows that some lives are worth more than others, we reject that idea.*

*Some of the ways we are seeing that at the moment include commentators who suggest the lives of elderly people, people with disabilities and existing medical conditions, and people who are not part of the paid workforce are not “productive” members of society and therefore more expendable than others in the pandemic.*

***‘We are all frail, all equal, all precious’ - POPE FRANCIS***

## GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Anyone is welcome to read a prayer. Please read slowly and clearly.

### Response: Lord hear our prayer

For our parish community that it will be one of welcome, caring and love....

.....**Let us pray to the Lord**

For people who don't have enough food, that our parish community will help ensure people are properly nourished.....**Let us pray to the Lord**

For the generosity to respond willingly to what God invites us to do....

.....**Let us pray to the Lord**

For all those in our community who are sick or lonely or who need to know God's love.....**Let us pray to the Lord**

Loving God who welcomes everyone to feast at your table, help us to value and protect the vulnerable members of our families, communities, society and nation in all we do .....**Let us pray to the Lord**

### Gentle Reminders

- Cell Phones - Kindly switch off or put on silent mode during Mass. Thank you.
- If you are sick (flu, infections or any type of bug) please consider whether to take the chalice.
- Any Parishioners wanting to book the Church or a house blessings etc, please call the office to arrange.
- Please note we do not offer any Special Masses on Sundays or on any Holy Days of Obligation.

**Anointing of the Sick Mass** - Every second month on the second Saturday. Instead of 9am Mass it will be at 10am followed by morning tea. **The next Mass is Saturday the 14th November.**

**Preference Forms** - Will be signed for families registered to our Parish only. You will need to organise a time with the office to book an appointment with Fr Philip.

**Parking** - Please remember to keep the church driveway clear of vehicles during Sunday Mass and please do not park in any of the school carparks during week day Masses. Thank you.

**Expectant Mothers** - If you would like a blessing before the arrival of your new baby, please see Fr Philip or Fr Albert or contact the office to arrange.

**St. Mary's Youth Group** (Sanctus Mariam) – All teens AND young adults are welcome (ages 13-22)!! Come along for donuts, prayer, games and fellowship with Christ. We now meet the first Sunday of each month after the **10:00am** mass in the Wairaka Room upstairs. Any questions, feel free to contact Joe on 027-621-2343 (youth co-leader). Also, join us on our Facebook group chat 'Sanctus Mariam'.

### Sunday Readings Year A

**11 Oct -1<sup>st</sup>** Isaiah 25:6-10

**2<sup>nd</sup>** Philipians 4:12-14, 19-20

**GOSPEL** MATTHEW 22:1-14

**18 Oct -1<sup>st</sup>** Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

**2<sup>nd</sup>** Thessalonians 1:1-5

**GOSPEL** MATTHEW 22:15-21

**Parish Ministry** - We are in need of more Ministers for Reading and Holy Communion and also Altar servers, especially for the 8am and 5.30pm Masses. Please let the office know if you are interested.

**Holy Adoration** - every 1st Saturday of the month. It will be celebrated till 10.15am with Rosary and prayers. During the Adoration the priest will be available for the sacrament of confession. Every other Saturdays there will be silent adoration for half an hour after the Mass.

**DRCNZ** - Children & Youth Programme to be held in our Church by DRCNZ on every first Saturday of the month from 5-6pm.

**Foodbank** - is in desperate need of your help, the requests for help have continued to escalate and we are in need of any food items you can help with, tins, rice, pasta, noodles, longlife milk, cereals and spreads. Please think of us when you are shopping. Thank you.

**Sacramental Programme** - The ceremony for Confirmation is now on Saturday the 31st October at 2pm celebrated by Bishop Michael Gielen and First Holy Communion is now on Sunday 1st November at the 10am Mass. All are welcome to join.

**Mission Sunday - 18th October 2020** - Next week is Mission Sunday. This collection is the major fundraiser for the work of the Pontifical Mission Societies. The Pontifical Mission is directed especially towards the Care of Children, the immediate Relief of the Poor and the support of Missionary Seminaries and Religious Institutions. Please give generously next week. For further information please go to Missio.nz on the web.

**NZ GENERAL ELECTION** - A commentator noted this week that the 2020 General Election with its accompanying referendum is one of the most interesting and challenging. In order to assist people in their discernment the New Zealand Bishops' Conference has produced their *2020 Election Statement*. This is available digitally [www.catholic.org.nz/assets/Uploads/Catholic-Bishops-Election-Statement-2020.pdf](http://www.catholic.org.nz/assets/Uploads/Catholic-Bishops-Election-Statement-2020.pdf). Hardcopy available in the parish.

**The Commission for Ecumenism 2020** - Talk Series celebrating Ut Unum Sint 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Pope Francis and the World Council of Churches on the Environmental Crisis. Common ground and shared vision concerning our responsibilities for the care of the Earth. Thursday 22 October, 7:00 PM | St Columba Centre, 44 Vermont St, Ponsonby. All are welcome.

**CDA Connect** - Are you wanting to know what is happening in the diocese? CDA Connect is a monthly newsletter concerning happenings in the diocese. Read the current edition <https://mailchi.mp/cda/cda-connect-issue-5827470> and sign-up to get the latest direct to your inbox.

**Liturgy Formation** - Although the Liturgy Conference has been postponed until October 2021 on Friday 2nd & Saturday 3rd of October a number of digital presentations from Conference presenters were uploaded to wuss.org.nz They can also be found at <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLYVVDAh6gEBGsLd5gUCCuoJADbvRgC-9k>

**SCHOLARSHIP for STUDY at TE KUPENGA CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE** - Bishop Pat is calling for applications for the Ruth Miller Scholarship for study at Te Kupenga Catholic Leadership Institute in 2021 for people who intend to do one or more Theology papers at. For further information and an application form, contact Catherine Ryan, Vicar for Education, Email: [catheriner@cda.org.nz](mailto:catheriner@cda.org.nz). The closing date for applications is 6 November 2020

**Jubilee Bursary Applications Invited** - for Semester 1, 2021. Applicants must be Catholic and contributing to the mission of the Catholic Church in the Auckland Diocese. The bursary is a contribution toward fees for Theology and RE courses at degree and post grad level. Applications close Thursday, 12 November 2020 For information and an application pack please contact: Michelle Jarvis [michellej@cda.org.nz](mailto:michellej@cda.org.nz) Ph:(09)360-3091

**Central Auckland Grief Support** - is a peer support group for adults who have gone through grief or loss, such as separation or divorce, the death of a significant person in their life or other major family changes. Our next meeting is planned on Saturday 17 October 2pm in the Hillsborough area. To find out more and to register, please contact Mabel at 021-1734978.