

28TH MAY 2023

Ministers of the Word

Pauline Tivinia Ben
Peter Emma Sean

Ministers of the Holy Communion

Gay Soya Paul
Mirella Keegan Margaret
Mele

Altar Servers

Amelia Oli
Thomas Aleah
Imogen Ethan

Musicians/ Organists

Liz Marie & Dermot

Cleaning team: C

Counters: Kevin & Caroline

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

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.



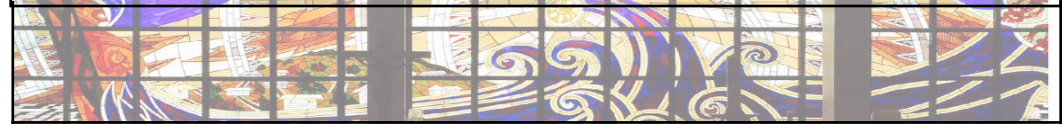
‘Go to the people of all nations’

Jesus tells his disciples that he will be with them until the end of the world.

How do you experience God’s presence in your life today?

Just as the disciples have been sent by Jesus, so too we are sent at the end of each Mass with the words, “Go”

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD ~ 21 MAY 2023



ST. MARY’S PARISH - MT. ALBERT, AUCKLAND

PARISH PRIEST Fr Robert O’Brien

STAFF Parish Secretaries Johanna Tumahai-Fox & Tina Cavanagh

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Sunday Readings Year A

21 MAY -1st Acts 1:1-11 **2nd** Ephesians 1:17-23 **GOSPEL** MATTHEW 28:16-20

28 MAY -1st Acts 2:1-11 **2nd** Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13 **GOSPEL** JOHN 20:19-23

Tuesday Evening Mass - Has now changed from 7pm to 6.30pm.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Is now at 8.30am until Mass at 9am on Saturday’s. Sacrament of Reconciliation will be during this time.

Sacrament of Confirmation & First Eucharist
Sunday the 11th June at 11am. Instead of the usual 8am and 10am Mass, we will be having a combined 9am Mass. The evening 5.30pm Mass will remain.

Your Prayers are requested this week for

The sick - Jonathan Ross, Lorenzo Culham, Ronald Sanidad, Cedric Menezes, Michael Loughlin, Sr Margaret, Thomas Allison, Veronica Malupo, Fiona Rogers, Brianna Magdalani & Sr Marie-Therese.

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

WORSHIP SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

MASS/LITURGY TIMINGS

Monday - 9 am Liturgy of the Word & Communion
Tuesday - 6.30 pm
Wednesday & Friday - 9am
Thursday - 10 am
Saturday - 9am, (Reconciliation Rite 1 - 8.30am to 9am)
Sunday - 8 am, 10 am & 5.30 pm

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Response: Lord hear our prayer

For the Church, that we may continue the mission of Jesus and bring forth the reign of God through our worship, our work, and our relationships each day

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

For wisdom, that God will inspire us in recognizing and using our gifts to enrich the faith community and cooperate with God in bringing forth the reign of God in our time and place **Let us pray to the Lord**

For all who are struggling with doubt, that they may recognize God's presence and action in their lives and in the world around them

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

For all victims of violence, that God will heal their pain and ease their fear....

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

For Peace, that God will bring an end to armed conflicts, protect the vulnerable for harm, and open new pathways to peace and understanding

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

For all who have died, that they be led to eternal life by Christ, the Good Shepherd**Let us pray to the Lord**

Gentle Reminders

- **Please do not leave any household items or clothing in the church or on the presbytery door step. Thank you for thinking of us but we get inundated with stuff that we struggle to off load ourselves. If there is a need we will put a call out. Thank you!**

- Cell Phones - Kindly switch off or put on silent mode during Mass. Thank you.

- For Church bookings, appointments, etc, please call or email the office to arrange.

- Please do not smoke outside the church or on any of the school grounds.

Preference Forms - Please drop these into the office with a copy of the Baptism Certificate and a contact number.

Home Visits - If you or a family member are unable to come to Mass to receive Holy Communion and would like to have Holy Communion at home, please contact the Parish Office to arrange this. We also have Ministers visiting Aranui and Wesley rest homes to bring Holy Communion to Catholic residents. If you have a family member at any of these residences who would like to receive Holy Communion and have not been contacted please let the Parish Office know.

Parking - Please remember to keep the church driveway clear of vehicles during School hours from 8.15-9am & 2.30-3.30pm and Sunday Masses. Also please do not park in any of the school carparks during week day Masses. Thank you.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

27 May - Parish Working Bee 9.30am

28 May - SOI Class 8.45am

11 Jun - Sacraments of Confirmation & First Eucharist 11am

2 & 9 Jul - Baptism Classes 11am

29 Jul - Baptism 10.30am

Parish Working Bee - Saturday 27th May 9.30am, we are going to have a clean up of the Church inside and out before the Sacramental weekend. Please come along and help out. Service hours available.

Pledging Envelopes - for the new financial year are in the back of the church ready for collection.

If any queries regarding these, please contact the office.

Tax Receipts - Tax receipts have now been either emailed out or printed. Those printed are at the rear of church. If you have any queries please contact the office.

Your help please - we are needing your help to make Childrens Liturgy happen at 10am Mass! This important ministry enables our young to connect with the word of God. Please contact the office to offer your help or for more information.

Morning Tea - after 10 am Mass on Sunday's, please bring a plate to share.

Tap'nGo - Our Tap'nGo machine is for those who wish to use contactless payment (card or phone) instead of cash via plate collection. The device is set for \$10 donations. Please note that tax receipts cannot be issued if you use this system. If you are wanting a tax receipt please contact the office about joining one of our planned giving schemes.

Marist College 2024 Enrolments - Marist college is a non-zoned girls Catholic Secondary School. Limited spaces are available in years 7, 8, 9 & all senior levels. Please complete the online application at www.maristcollege.school.nz/enrolments

Mass of the Neophytes - 28th May at 4.30pm. All those baptised or received into full communion at Easter or throughout the last 12 months are invited by Bishop Steve to join him at the Cathedral of St Patrick and St Joseph for this Mass celebrating the gift of faith and acknowledging these newest members of the Church. Family, sponsors, RCIA team members and members of the diocese are all invited.

The Kerr Taylor Foundation - is able to provide seeding grants and small project funding to persons and organisations in the Mount Albert area. Applications are available from the Foundation secretary at kerrtaylor@xtra.co.nz or from The Mt Albert Citizens Advice Bureau. Applications close 5pm Friday 26th May 2023. **For more information go to www.kerrtaylor.org.nz**

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - Combined prayer, Friday 26 May, 7pm, Takapuna Methodist Church, 427 Lake Road, Takapuna, Auckland 0622.

Reflecting on St Luke's Gospel - A Social Justice Retreat focussing on social justice aspects of the Gospel of Luke will be held 9.30-4pm on Saturday 10 June 2023 at St Francis Retreat Centre 20 Hillsborough led by Bible Scholar Br Kieran Fenn, FMS who has taught the Scriptures in New Zealand and overseas for more than 40 years. Cost: \$30 including lunch. Applications to Peter Garrick peterg@cda.org.nz phone 022 1300 730 by 31 May 2023.

Free Books - As a result of the cull of the library the Diocese has a number of books available for collection from Pompallier Diocesan Centre, 30 New Street, Auckland. The books will be available for collection between 9.30am and 3.30pm Monday to Friday until Friday 26 May. More details at: aucklandcatholic.org.nz/books/

Family Life Catholic Gifts - 15% off all items in the shop and online at Family Life Catholic Gifts, for the Parishioners of St Mary's, Mt Albert. The code to be placed in the coupon box at "checkout" or mentioned when visiting the shop, is "Mary" and this will be valid for one month from 18th May, 2023. Visit us for Rosaries, Statues, Cards, Bibles, Children's Books, Spiritual Reading, etc. at: www.catholicgifts or at the shop 569 Richardson Road, Mt Roskill. Phone (09)6290820.

Volunteers needed! The Onehunga Vinnies Op shop, run by the Society of St Vincent de Paul, raised \$25,000 for flood relief in the lower North Island. We also help fund many food parcels for people in need. We need help with customer service, sorting, merchandising, pricing and picking up furniture donations. Please come and see us in our newly refurbished shop at 345 Onehunga Mall (9 to 4:30pm Mon-Sat), or contact Liz on 634-2697 or 022-467-5443 if you would like to be involved in a great cause.