

24TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Ministers of the Word

Hoani Tivinia Richard
Yvonne Emma Richard

Ministers of the Holy Communion

Catherine
Cathy Annie Oonagh
Mele

Altar Servers

Margaux Kayleigh Raphael
Thomas Oli
Katherine

Musicians/ Organists

Liz Angelo & Adrian Ann

Cleaning team: G

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

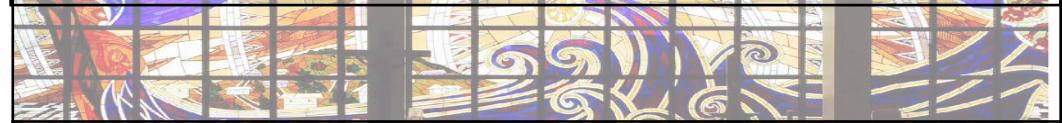
House blessings & visits or unable to get to Mass, please contact the Parish office on 8466775 to have communion brought to you. For a visit from a Priest at Auckland Hospital, please call 358-0825 ext. 4000 or 4045

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.

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ 17 September 2023



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

PARISH PRIEST Fr Robert O'Brien **RELIEVING PRIEST** Fr Joy Thottamkara C.Ss.R.

STAFF Parish Secretary Johanna Tumahai-Fox

Finance - Megan Williams

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Rātapu Panui, Tau A

17 SEP -1st *Ecus. 27:30-28:7* **2nd** *Romans 14:7-9* **GOSPEL** *MATTHEW 18:21-35*

24 SEP -1st *Isaiah 55:6-9* **2nd** *Philippians 1:20-24,27* **GOSPEL** *MATTHEW 20:1-16*

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, Julie Fautua & Abigail Perillo.

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

'Forgive one another'

Have you ever had to forgive someone when they have done something wrong to you?

Sometimes it is hard to forgive others.

Today, Jesus tells us that if we want God to forgive us then we must first learn to forgive each other!

**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

Make Family Prayer a Priority

The frantic pace of family life can often mean that prayer gets lost in the shuffle.

A simple and practical suggestion to encourage family pray more:

How does the love between a mum and dad mirror the absolute love with which God loves us?



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.

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.

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 rest home to take 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

23 Sep - Baptism 9.30am

5/12 Nov - Baptism Classes 11am

25 Nov - Baptism 9.30am

Church Layout - Due to the recent illness of Father Rob, he only had just over a week or so to assess the Church layout, however during his illness he was considering feedback from parishioners and consulting with fellow clergy including Bishop Steve. Father is now on leave until early October and will be continuing to review feedback. We hope to have another layout option soon.

We encourage you to email the parish office at office@mtalbertcatholic.org.nz with your views. Kind regards, David Wood (Chair St Marys Mt Albert Parish Pastoral Council).

Farewell - long time parishioners Andy and Olwen Anderson, who have recently moved to Pt Chev. We wish to thank them for their support in the many activities they were involved in over the decades they were worshiping with us. We trust they will enjoy their new home.

Parish Feast Day - thanks to all those who made our celebration so special on Sunday. A special note of thanks to our Samoan Community who provided a feast fit for Our Queen!

Volunteers needed - We are in desperate need of volunteers for Ministries of the Word/Eucharist & Altar Servers for the 5.30pm Mass, if we do not get more support for this Mass we will have to review its future existence.

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

The Ethnic Chaplaincies Annual Festival - is back! It's all happening at Sancta Maria School and St Luke Church, Flatbush, Sat 7 - Sun 8 Oct 2023. The Ethnic faith communities will once again Rise Up and Shine showcasing their "riches of nations" in Food, Sport, Cultural Show, and celebration of the Mass in the diverse colour, language and peoples. If you want to be involved in being a volunteer email louisar@cda.org.nz.

St Joseph's Catholic School Onehunga - If you are a Past Pupil, Staff member or BoT member - we would love to hear from you. We are celebrating our 175th Anniversary Fri 27, Sat 28 and Sun 29 October 2023 Contact Melanie Duarte @mduarte@sjs.school.nz to register your interest.

The Season of Creation - A message from the CDA Justice & Peace Commission: In this Season of Creation we pray: that we "heed our call to stand with the victims of environmental and climate injustice." Pope Francis

Liturgy of Repentance and Reconciliation - For fifty-five years the Methodist and Catholic Churches have been in ecumenical dialogue. The New Zealand Catholic Methodist Dialogue Committee invite you to join a Liturgy of Repentance and Reconciliation. Preacher, Bishop Steve Lowe. Wednesday 25 October 7.30 pm Methodist Church, 427 Lake Road, Takapuna.

Open Home - The Pompallier Diocesan Centre, 30 New St, St Mary's Bay is a service hub for the diocese. And a mystery to many. On the 9 November from 4.00-7.30pm you are invited to an Open Home at the Centre. It will be an opportunity to engage with staff, explore some of the archival treasure, enjoy a snack, purchases liturgical resources and more.

NZ Catholic - for sale in church foyers again. Price \$4 (unchanged for 8 years). Dunedin angels to stand at cathedral high altar again. Auckland Catholic college to get \$20 million science facility. Alleged multi-plication of hosts investigated as possible eucharistic miracle.

Te Kupenga - Catholic Theological College accepts enrolment for the Bachelor of Divinity and Graduate Diploma in Theology starts September 25. "With a dedicated and qualified faculty of theologians, and access to a wealth of resources, our program will empower you to critically analyse complex theological issues, foster spiritual growth, and prepare you for a meaningful career in ministry, education, or other fields where a profound understanding of theology is invaluable.". To learn more about the programmes, go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/programmes.