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REFLECTION

In today's first reading, Peter quotes from Psalm 118, "The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone." There is a beautiful pattern to salvation history where God chooses the least to do the greatest work. We find this in Peter, the disciple upon whom Christ founds his church, who denied Jesus three times after promising vehemently that he would never falter in his fidelity. This does not deter Jesus from giving Peter "the keys of the kingdom." Instead, the risen Lord appears to Peter and to the other disciples to give them his peace.



Jesus' actions should come as no surprise to us. In the gospel for today, Jesus tells us he is "the good shepherd" who "lays down his life for the sheep." Not only does he lay it down, but he does so "in order to take it up again." The resurrected Lord returns to his flock that has been scattered after his crucifixion due to fear and doubt and restores them to each other and to himself.

In our reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we find Peter arrested in front of the religious leaders of the time. Instead of denying the Lord or cowering in silence, Peter gives an impassioned defense of his faith in Jesus, telling them, "There is no salvation through anyone else." Peter proudly proclaims Jesus, the one who submitted himself to death on a cross, as the healer of every ill and the redeemer of sinners. Through Jesus' vulnerability to death, he conquered it. Through Peter's failings on his journey of faith, he became the leader the church needed. We, too, are invited into this pattern of salvation, knowing that our weakness becomes strength when given to the Lord.

Living Liturgy 2021



FROM OUR PARISH

THE LAMB OF GOD COMMUNITY invites you to attend a "Life in the Spirit Seminar" on Sat 8th May & Sun 9th May at Christ the King parish hall. Come and experience the touch of the Holy Spirit in your life. For some this could be a new experience, for others this could be a renewal. For more information and to register visit <https://www.lambofgodcommunity.net/liss>

THE ST. DOMINIC'S SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE are launching a project called De-clutter, Donate and Do Good. The aim of this project is to transfer unused resources such as clothes, household goods etc., to those who require them through charities such as Salvation Army, Women's Refuge, refugees' organisations etc. Each week we will be collecting specific items after Saturday and Sunday Masses, which will be distributed to the charities. Only quality items will be collected. For clothing, we ask you to donate clean, tidy, and preferably ironed items. We want the recipients to feel that the clothing is given with love. The first collection will commence on Saturday April 24 and Sunday April 25. We will be collecting MEN'S SHIRTS and TROUSERS only. In MAY we will collect children's and men's jackets for the Blockhouse Bay Rd Refugee House. We will also be collecting women's and children's clothing in due course. Please help if you can. If you have any questions you can talk to one of us. Paul, Josh, Lloyd and Eseta.

WHILE WORK ON THE CHURCH ROOF is in progress, weekday masses will be held in the parish centre and weekend masses will be held in the school hall. The work is expected to take about a week.

THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed from Monday 26 April to Friday 30 April. Reopening Monday, 3 May. There will be no newsletter next week.

PLANNED GIVING tax receipts are available to collect from the church porch.

MAY LITURGY ROSTER: Copies available in church porch and also posted on parish website under 'Groups'.

FROM OUR DIOCESE

PAX CHRISTI AOTEAROA New Zealand invites you to join us in an **online study reflection looking at Climate Change**. This online study is over two weeks beginning Tuesday 27th of April 2021, starting at 7.30pm and ending at 9pm. This study will explore how climate change and degradation of the Earth impacts all our lives (as seen through the works of Mercy) and looks at choices and actions that can help us in this new reality. Please enrol by 20th April 2021 by emailing paxchristiaotea-rona@gmail.com. On enrolment, you will be sent the zoom link and reading for the first meeting.

SISTERS OF MERCY CENTENARY CELEBRATION EPSOM. As part of this year's centennial celebrations of the Parish and School, the Sisters of Mercy invite parishioners, students and parents to join with them after 10am Mass on Sunday 2 May 2021, on the anniversary of the Sisters of Mercy moving into the house at 104 The Drive, Epsom to start the school. This is an opportunity to come and see Cecilia Maher House and facilities, wander through the grounds, view displays and enjoy light refreshments. Come and celebrate a century of Mercy women and their helpers who have served in the parish. For the purposes of catering please register your interest to attend. Registrations are open on the Our Lady of the Sacred Heart parish website <https://epsomcatholic.org.nz/centennial/>

BISHOPS' FORUMS: Bishops Pat and Michael invite you to join them at one of the 2021 Bishops' Forums 5 May, 7.30-9.30 pm St Joseph Takapuna, Church Hall | 11 May, 7.30-9.30 pm Christ the King Owairaka, Church.

POPE FRANCIS affirms to the "irrevocable" commitment of the Church in promoting unity among Christian Churches. Bishop Pat is hosting 8 Churches uniting in One House, under One Faith through One Baptism in the One Lord of All to an Ecumenical Prayer Service to be held at Christ The King Catholic Church on Tuesday 25th May 2021 @7:30PM. You are all invited to attend and to participate in this year's **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**. The service will also be live streaming on SHINE TV and on the various Churches Social Media. Light refreshments will be provided.

MORE NEWS

DRCNZ will be having their 4th Sunday Holy Eucharistic Celebration at Christ the King Church, Owairaka, on 25th April 2021 at 4.00p.m. Praise and worship, sharing the Word, Mass and Adoration.

NZ CATHOLIC: The April 18— May 1 issue of NZ Catholic is out now. Some headlines are: Plea for more prayers for vocations. Theological college to move to new Auckland campus. 500 years of Catholic faith in Philippines celebrated in Auckland and Wellington. Pope condolences on death of Prince Philip.

Online Sessions (Evening): The Resurrection of Jesus Christ with Br Kieran Fenn. Monday 03, 10, 17, 20 May, 7-8.30pm. Fee: \$25/session. ZOOM.

All sessions are connected but also stand alone.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/the-resurrection-of-jesus-christ-with-br-kieran-fenn-5/>

For more information and registration: info@studyjoy.nz

Interviews on Muffin Talk with Br Kieran Fenn, Prof Thomas O'Loughlin and others are available at: <https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/>

Please remember the following in prayer:

For the Sick: Margaret Rasch, June Parr, Ofa Brown, Mavis Ulrich, Brenda Tweedale, Christina Woolard, Rosemary McLaughlin, Paulina Unkovich, Margaret Baptista, Theresa Furdas, Helena Podwin, Sr. Dominic OP, Kath Conway, Roman and Judy Kolodzinski.

Recently Deceased: Ted Murphy, Marie McKenna, Manuka Henare, Margaret Bennetts, Bernadette Waith.

Anniversaries of Death: Fred Rogers.

Please call the office if you want to place a name on this list.

25th April 2021

4th Sunday of Easter

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

1st Reading: Acts 4:8-12
Psalm: 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29
2nd Reading: 1 John 3:1-2
Gospel: John 10:11-18



**NEXT SUNDAY 2nd May
5th Sunday of Easter**

1st Reading: Acts 9:26-31
Psalm: 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32
2nd Reading: 1 John 3:18-24
Gospel: John 15:1-8

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

SATURDAY 6.00pm

Altar servers: TBA

Commentator Belita D'Souza

1st Reading Natasha Fernandes
2nd Reading Carol D'Souza

Ministers of Communion Caroline D'Souza

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Co-ordinator Joyce Raphael
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SUNDAY 9.30am

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