



MASS TIMES

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 6:00pm
 Sunday 8:00am and 9:30am

Weekday Eucharist

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 7:00pm
 Saturday 8:00am
 First Friday (Mass of Healing & Anointing of the sick) 7:00pm
 First Friday Adoration followed by Mass 6:00pm

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Every Saturday 8:30am to 9:30am
 Baptisms: Every Saturday (by appointment) 11:00am
 (Please see the Church noticeboard and Website as well)



NEXT SUNDAY (25th February 2024)

2nd Sunday in Lent Year B (Scripture Readings)

Gen 22:1-2,9-13,15-18: The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith
 Psalm 115: I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living .
 Rom 8:31-34 With God on our side, who can be against us?
 Mark 9:2-10 This is my Son, the beloved; listen to him

Rosters: The rosters for cleaning the church, various ministries and Altar servers are on the notice board and website as well. Thank you for your generosity with these ministries. If you are not available, please try to arrange your own replacement. Thank you.



ALTAR SERVERS and OTHER MINISTRY Rosters

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES
Sat 6:00pm Carlos Pulini, Nithin Savio, Sean Joseph, Swinth Rodrigues
Sun 8:00am Javier Soares, Eva Hu, Jessica MacKenzie
Sun 9:30am: Jason Dash, Braelei Faith, Jeremy Xing, Joshua Joseph, Oliver McCrills

	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:00am	Sun 9:30am
Hospitality:	Nita Creado	Josh Soares	Irae Pule
1st Reading:	Camryn Fernandes	Jewel Villos	Anne Wilson
2nd Reading:	Kevin Creado	Reena Edwin	Nila Malo
Ministers of Communion:	Renee D'Souza	Anne Sia	Natasha Pinto
	Rex Coutinho	Cyril R	Pius Joseph
	Wilma Barboza	Valyne Koh	Theresa Gomes
Projectionist:	Sylvester D'Souza	Karen Vivera	Samoan Community
Chief Collector:	Allwyn Pereira	Rob Villos	Leonard Pinto
Co-Ordinator:	Goretti Sheppard	Mabel Vivera	Paul Reddy
Music:	Youth	N/A	Samoan Community

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

N/A

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT ROSTER

N/A

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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Gen 9:8-15 After the great flood, God recalls the covenant with Noah
 Psalm 24: Your ways, O Lord are love and truth.
 1Pet 3:18-22 As the ark saved a chosen few in Noah's day, so does baptism by faith save God's chosen today
 Mark 1:12-15 The temptation of Jesus in the desert.



1st Sunday of
 Lent

18 February
 2024

'[Jesus] shared our human nature in all things but sin' (Fourth Eucharistic Prayer). Expanding this affirmation, the Epistle to the Hebrews states, that, in Jesus, 'we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin' (Hebrews 4:15) - a truth graphically illustrated in the Gospel accounts of Jesus' confrontation with Satan during the forty days he spent in the wilderness before proclaiming his mission. 'The time is fulfilled,' he said to the Galileans, 'and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.' Though this kingdom 'is not from this world' (John 18:36), as Jesus assured Pontius Pilate, it is 'among us' here and now (Luke 17:21).

The beginning of Lent is a good time to reflect on these texts. Paul's advice is: 'Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God - what is good and acceptable and perfect' (Romans 12:2).

~ God's Word 2024

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Parish News

Fr EPHREM— is on holiday and will be back on 1st March. Fr Rajat and other Capuchin priests will be serving the parish while Fr Ephrem is away.

LITURGY ROSTERS— are now available on our website. Please check if you are rostered on for February 2024, or you can contact the Parish Office on 626 6207.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Will be held every Friday in Lent at 6:30pm in the School Hall from 16th February, followed by daily Mass. When the renovation of the church is completed, Stations of the Cross will move back to the Church.

MASSES DURING THE RENOVATION (Tue. 2nd January 2024 – Sat 2nd March 2024): All Masses will be celebrated in the School Hall. All Weekend Masses will be at usual timings. - Weekday Masses **29th January to 2nd March at 7pm**

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE: Contact Marie 6279193 or 0273813361. All welcome.

NZ CATHOLIC: NZ Catholic for sale: Price is \$4 per copy. Some headlines for this issue: Kiwi and Anglican bishops gather in Rome and UK. New director for Hearts Aflame. Chch diocese seeks feedback on cathedral location options. Dunedin cathedral sanctuary angels get their wings.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: This Lent change our hearts and minds by publicly witnessing to the dignity of every human person from conception, and praying for an end to abortion. Ash Wednesday to Palm Sunday—Monday to Saturday from 7am to 1pm, corner of Dominion Road and Prospect Terrace, Mt Eden. Sign for your hour at: FLL.org.nz/prolifeevents

PARISH REGISTRATION: please register yourselves and your families directly on our website: <https://blockhousebaycatholic.org.nz/registration/>

HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY FELLOWSHIP: Charismatic Mass at Christ the King church on 10th March from 4pm to 6pm. Celebrant is Bishop Steve Lowe.

ST DOMINIC'S FOUNDATION: We encourage you to support the Foundation, which supports families in need. The Donation account number is: **12-3034-0276615-00**

Divine Mercy Devotion & Mass on Friday 1st March 7:00pm at St Mary's Parish, 20 Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy Sung, Benediction, Mass, followed by veneration of St Faustina's relic. All Welcome.

The Liturgy Centre is offering liturgical ministry workshops, which will cover training/refreshers for Ministers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. These workshops will consist of context, prayer, and practical formation in these areas. Participants will only need to attend ONE of these workshops. All will receive a certificate at completion, which will be posted to their parish and presented at mass on a chosen date/time. Each session will be held on a specific Sunday at a parish within the designated deanery, from 1pm-3pm (with light lunch provided).

3rd March | Central/City (Good Sheperd Balmoral), **10th March** | West (Our Lady of Lourdes Glen Eden), **14th April** | East (St Marks Pakuranga), **5th May** | South (St Annes Manurewa), **9th May** | North Shore (St Josephs Takapuna). **Register via the link below or contact the parish office:** <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/liturgy-prayer/formation/>

DONATIONS / PLANNED GIVING: To join our Planned Giving scheme please send an email to: stdomspgc@gmail.com or contact the Parish office. For online contributions please use the following details:

Account Name : RC Bishop of Auckland Blockhouse Bay Parish

Account No. : 02-0108-0707980-00

Ref : Your name and planned giving number

St Dominic's School News

Across the Path - from the School Principal, Daniel Pepper:

Ash Wednesday: It was great to be able to celebrate Ash Wednesday in our school hall with the parishioners. As we start the season of Lent, children have been learning all about what this means for them and how they can use this time to grow and reflect in their faith.

New Religious Education Curriculum: Our Year 1 and 2 students are being taken through the religious education programme for the first time this year. This new programme has been a long time coming, with planning and writing over the last ten years. The teachers are finding it really exciting and relevant, and it will allow the children to relate better to our faith and their everyday lives.

School Bike Track: Please note, this bike track is open to the public at any time, and we have noticed that quite a few elderly people have been using it for their walking fitness in the afternoon. This is a great idea, especially with the weather we have been having, so please feel free to park up, put on your shoes, and go for a walk.

Donations towards books for our library: At St Dominic's we have a strong culture of reading, where children have to read for 20 minutes every day. If you would like to make a \$20.00 donation, please pop into the school office any time between 8:15am and 3:00pm. We are looking to purchase new books to add to the library, and your donations would certainly help with this.

Picnic on the Field: It was great to be able to meet as a community on Friday night as the school came together for it's Annual Picnic. There were games for the children and it was a time for adults to re-engage and make new friends. The weather also played it's part in making this a fabulous night

We hope everyone has a blessed week and as always if you have any ideas or questions about the school please feel free to drop in and see me. My door is always open. —Daniel

CHURCH RENOVATION UPDATE.

The renovation project current update is that the Asbestos removal is complete. The subsequent clean-up has also been done. The final certification has been completed and cleared. The preliminary electrical work has started, mainly to install the new lighting and wiring for the sound system.

There is some remedial building work to be done post asbestos removal, which will be carried out once approval for the work has been received.

The Church bench frames have been painted and are stored in the containers outside the church. All of the upholstery has also been completed (off site).

The external painting is mostly completed, and the painters will move inside the church, once the electrical and building preparation work is done. All external scaffolding will be dismantled over the next few days.

Due to unforeseen circumstances and extra repair work required the project will be delayed. Further updates will follow.

Thank you

PLEASE ALSO SEE OUR WEBSITE & NOTICE BOARD IN THE CHURCH FOYER

Please remember the following in the Eucharist and your personal prayer:

Recently Deceased/Anniversaries: Chris Sekula, Pearl Dharmai, Ineke Merckens, Peter Gasson, Yvonne Ryan, Shirley Namhauser, Joseph Steuart, Anthony Bakarich, Fr Mario Dorado, Conrad and Margaret Rasch, Cedric Watt, Sr Mary Mackie, Margaret Baptista, Bernard Singh, Patras Tigga.

For the Sick: John and Dolores Webb, Peter Mun, Bozena Bakarich

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