



MASS TIMES

Sunday Eucharist
 Saturday 6.00pm
 Sunday 8:00am and 9:30am

Weekday Eucharist
 Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9:15am
 Saturday 8:00am
 First Friday (Mass of Healing & Anointing of the sick) 7:00pm
 First Friday Adoration followed by Mass 6:00pm

Parish Renewal Rosary (Every Saturday) 6:30am to 7:30am

SACRAMENTS
 Reconciliation Every Saturday 8:30am to 9:30am
 Baptism classes: 1st and 2nd Saturdays of the month 2:00pm to 3:00pm
 (Please see the Church noticeboard and Website as well)

NEXT SUNDAY (21st April 2024)

4th Sunday of Easter Year B (Scripture Readings)

1st Reading: Acts 4:8-12 By this name and no other can we find salvation
2nd Reading: 1Jn 3:1-2 We shall see God as He is .
Gospel Reading: Jn 10:11-18 The good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.
Psalm: Ps 118 (117): The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

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, Sean Joseph, Nithin Savio
Sun 8:00am Javier Soares, Eva Hu, Jessica MacKenzie
Sun 9:30am: Alice Schaumkel, Amanda Chidi, Lillian Schaumkel, Sione Tupu Sean Joseph

	<u>Sat 6:00pm</u>	<u>Sun 8:00am</u>	<u>Sun 9:30am</u>
Hospitality:	Betsy Rego	Jewel Villos	Josie Wilson
1st Reading:	Tamara Pinto	Charlotte Monteiro	Goretti Fernandes
2nd Reading:	Kendall D'Souza	Leeda Ferdis	Sarah Flynn
Ministers of Communion:	Bradley Pinto	Cyril R	Anne Sia
Communion:	Sunita Fernandes	Theresa Gomes	Brower Jr Pule
Communion:	Wilma Barboza	Karen Viviera	Valyne Koh
Projectionist:	Jessie Dalgado	Annlynn Lopez	Vincent George
Chief Collector:	Joseph Moodal	Rob Villos	Melinda Hamlyn
Co-Ordinator:	Geeta D'Souza	Mabel Viviera	Valyne Koh
Music:	John Smit	N/A	Graham S

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER
 Tapana (Maria) & Tepano (20 April 2024)

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT ROSTER
 Goretti Sheppard (20 April 2024)

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ST DOMINIC'S CATHOLIC PARISH
 Ko te Pāriha Katorika o Hāto Tominiko ki

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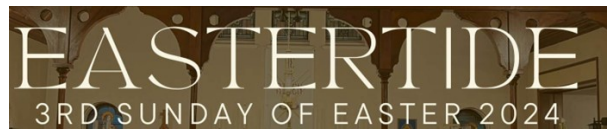
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**THIRD SUNDAY of EASTER
 TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS**

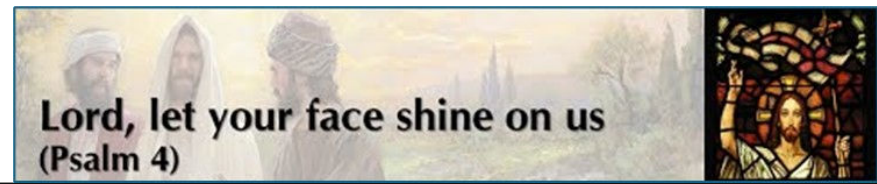
Acts 3:13-15,17-19 You put to death the Prince of life, the one whom God raised from the dead
 1Jn 2:1-5 Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins; and those of the whole world .
 Jn Lk 24:35-48 It is written that the Christ should suffer and rise again from the dead the third day.
 Psalm 4:2,4,7,9: Lord, let your face shine on us.



14th April 2024

Understanding the Scriptures does not mean opening the Bible and finding specific texts referring to the suffering of the Messiah. For sure, there is a wealth of scriptural allusions to the suffering of holy people, chief among them the Suffering Servant of God (see the Fourth Song in Isaiah 53). But these remain allusions, not texts explicitly saying that the Messiah would suffer. This explains why no one in Israel expected a suffering Messiah; on the contrary, the Messiah was expected to be a glorious figure who would restore the 'fallen hut' of King David. That Jesus as the Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead is all part of God's plan. His death on the cross is not a mere coincidence; but an integral part of God's ongoing plan to save his people. Jesus' death is not solely the consequence of human pride and machinations, but the expression of total self-giving love that achieves reconciliation with God. ~ God's Word 2024

May the Risen Lord continue to bless us all in all of our good efforts and endeavours, and may He continue to guide us through our journey in life, in all the struggles and in enduring the many trials and challenges that we may encounter in our journey."



Parish News

FR EPHREM'S ANNIVERSARY: The parish will celebrate the 22nd Ordination Anniversary of Fr Ephrem on Sunday 14 April at the 9:30am Mass. Parishioners are warmly invited to this Mass of thanksgiving, followed by morning tea in the Parish Centre at 10:45am organised by the PPC. If you would like to assist with the morning tea, please contact Anne Sia or Natasha Pinto

REFURBISHMENT CONTRACTORS THANKS: All the contractors and people who worked on the refurbishment will be officially thanked and appreciated for their work at the end of the 9:30am Mass on Sunday 21st April. This will be followed by a shared morning tea, organised by the PPC, in the parish centre. All are welcome.

Parish Office: The Parish office will be closed from Sat 13th to Sun 21st April. If you need to contact the parish urgently, please reach out directly to Fr Ephrem in the first instance. Thanks

ST DOMINIC'S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM: have lessons every Sunday from 10:45am to 12 Noon, in the School hall for the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion, starting from Sunday 5th May. The key dates are as follows:

Registration closes Thursday 2nd May

Parents meeting Thursday 2nd May at 7:00pm in the **school staff room**.

The sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion is on Sunday 22nd September with Bishop Steve Lowe.

NZ CATHOLIC: NZ Catholic for sale: Price is \$4 per copy. Some headlines for this issue: Relics of 11 saints coming to NZ. Hamilton bishop urges blokes to know Jesus. Wellington cathedral to open in June. Divine Mercy advert controversy surprises advertiser.

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE: The next meeting will be on Friday 19th April at 10.00 in the Parish Centre. There will be morning tea after the 9.15 Mass. All welcome. Contact Marie 6279193 or 0273813361.

Kendall D'souza has resigned as a Youth Leader and PPC member after 5 years of outstanding service to the parish. The PPC want to acknowledge with sincere thanks her work, efforts and leadership over the period. We are grateful to Kendall's family for their support to her in this role. We will acknowledge Kendall's contributions at the 9:30 am Mass on Sunday 21 April followed by a morning tea, organised by the PPC, in the parish centre. All are welcome.

KNITTING FOR CHARITY: will be re-starting this season and the next session will be held on Sunday 21st April 2024 at 2pm, in the Parish Centre. All are welcome to join.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2024-2025: are available at the back of the church. Please collect your own and not envelopes on behalf of other parishioners.

Tax Receipts: for the 2023-2024 Tax Year are available in the foyer. Thank you.

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**

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

CUT OFF Times for items in the newsletter is 3:00pm THURSDAY. THANK YOU

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:

School Holidays – 13 April – 29 April: We are all looking forward to the upcoming school holidays. It has been a great but busy term. We especially enjoyed the Easter Celebrations where we celebrated the Palm Sunday, the Passover Meal and the return of the Risen Christ.

Te Wa Journey: We are on a journey to ensure that all ākonga (students) in our school learn how our history has shaped our present day lives. Alongside this is the journey that our school needs to take in understanding our story here in the Bay, and how our Catholic faith came to New Zealand.

In regards to the history of the Bay, we are seeking parish voice. The stories and rich history that our elders have, need to be captured for future years. Their personal lives and connections to the St Dominic's community have meaning, and so much learning can be had for our children and our whole community. We know that as time moves on, these stories are being lost, and we hope to capture at least some of them that have shaped and given strength to our community.

Watch this space as we approach parishioners to ask them to tell their stories. If you would like to be part of this project, please feel free to see us, or contact Joanne, at admin@stdominics.school.nz or on phone 626 5391.

School and Parish Footpath Access: We are currently obtaining quotes for the new footpath that will be commissioned in the coming months. This footpath will be extended from the oak tree directly out to the entrance. The hope is that we can eliminate the need to use the driveway to access the school and Parish, thus making it a safer place for children, parents and parishioners.

School reopens on Monday the 29th of April when we can start to teach the children all about the importance of Pentecost. The school will be celebrating Mass with the Parish on the 17th of May at 9:15am. See you then.

Church Funny: Prayer at Sea: As the storm raged, the captain realised his ship was sinking fast. He called out, "Anyone here know how to pray?" A man stepped forward. "Captain, I know how to pray." "Good," said the captain, "you pray while the rest of us put on our life jackets – we're one short." ~ Daniel Pepper

CHURCH REFURBISHMENT UPDATE.

The refurbishment project is finally and fully complete. Despite disruption and unforeseen maintenance issues, the works progressed well. The church was blessed by Fr. Ephrem on Palm Sunday. Fr. Ephrem would personally like to thank all parishioners and contractors for your patience and cooperation during the refurbishment project. May God bless you abundantly. ~ Thank you.

Dove Catholic Fellowship is celebrating 40 years of ministry to the women of New Zealand. There are celebration days planned in North Shore, Hamilton and Nelson. For information on these, please check out our website: www.dove.org.nz Blessings, Gloria Stafford, National Leader.

Pilgrims of Hope -- The NZ Catholic Bishops Conference has created a special online page of resources for parishes and individuals to use as we walk together towards Jubilee 2025–Pilgrims of Hope: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/about-us/jubilee-year-2025/>

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

Recently Deceased/Anniversaries: Vern Walker, Chris Sekula, Pearl Dharmai, Ineke Merkens, Peter Gasson, Bernadette Waith, Yvonne Ryan, Shirley Namhauser, Joseph Steuart, Anthony Bakarich, Fr Mario Dorado, Conrad and Margaret Rasch, 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.