



MASS TIMES

Sunday Eucharist

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

Weekday Eucharist

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:15am
 Wednesday (Novena at 6:45pm followed by Mass at 7:00pm)
 First Friday (Mass of Healing & Anointing of the sick) 9:15am
 First Friday Adoration followed by Mass 6:30pm
 Parish Renewal Rosary (Every Saturday) 6:30am

Reconciliation and Exposition Every Saturday 11:30am-12:30pm
 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 (23rd June 2024)

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Scripture Readings)

1st Reading: Job 38:1,8-11 The Lord sets the boundaries of the sea .
2nd Reading: 2 Cor 5:14-17 We should live no longer for ourselves but for him who died and was raised to life for us.
Gospel Reading: Mk 4:35-41 Who can this be? Even the wind and sea obey him.
Psalm: Psalm 106 Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Rosters: The rosters for various ministries 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, Swinth Rodrigues
	Sun 8:00am	Javier Soares, Eva Hu, Jessica MacKenzie
	Sun 9:30am	Jason Dash, Jeremy Xing, Joshua Joseph, Oliver McCrills

	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:00am	Sun 9:30am
Hospitality:	Nita Creado	Ronald D'Souza	Paul Pa'u
1st Reading:	Natasha Fernandes	Annlynn Lopez	Josie Wilson
2nd Reading:	Gidget Mendonca	Mabel Vivera	Anthony Carroll
Ministers of Communion:	Wilma Barboza	Anne Sia	Kamla Singh
Communion:	Jessie Dalgado	Charlotte Monteiro	Natasha Pinto
Communion:	Renee D'Souza	Valyne Koh	Verena Sluiter
Projectionist:	Sylvester D'Souza	Karen Vivera	Samoan Community
Chief Collector:	Josh Tham	Neil Monteiro	Leonard Pinto
Co-Ordinator:	Goretta Sheppard	Valyne Koh	Paul Reddy
Music:	Youth	N/A	Samoan Community

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

Anna Su & Jerry Xing (22 June 2024)

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT ROSTER

Nita Creado (22 June 2024)

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

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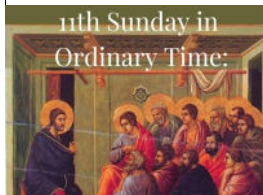
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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Scripture Readings)

1st Reading: Ezek 17:22-24 I will take a shoot and plant it on a very high mountain .
2nd Reading: 2 Cor 5:6-10 Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing the Lord
Gospel Reading: Mk 4: 26-34 The mustard seed, the smallest of all seeds, grows into the biggest shrub of all.
Psalm: Psalm 92 (91): Lord it is good to give thanks to you



16 June 2024



Today's Gospel contains the great parable of the mustard seed. The use of parables was a masterly teaching technique of Jesus to convey truths and insights about the reign of God. Jesus used everyday realities and familiar occurrences to communicate his teaching to them.

Narrative theology is a branch of study that considers how stories in the Bible employ different genres and literary features to communicate the author's intent (albeit inspired by the Holy Spirit) and how the historical and social factors of the time may have shaped these stories.

This parable of the mustard seed is a timeless little narrative that speaks to us in our days of how important it is to care for our creation. How can we plant seeds of hope in all the situations we will encounter this day?
 What stands out for you as you read this Gospel parable? How does it relate to your experiences at this very moment? ~ God's Word 2024

“When times are dark, we need to trust in “God’s quiet but powerful action,” and “remain anchored in God’s faithfulness, in his presence which always saves.” ~ Pope Francis

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

Parish News

FIRST AIDERS and FIRE WARDENS: The parish is establishing two volunteer positions for First Aiders and Fire Wardens to attend to any urgent Health and Safety issues. If you are keen on volunteering for any of the above then please contact Fr Ephrem, Ajith Fernando on 021797143 or Natasha Pinto on 02102473545. Previous experience is not required as training will be provided.

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE: The June meeting will be on Friday 21st at 10am in the Parish Centre commencing with morning tea. All welcome. Contact Marie 6279193 or 0273813361.

SAFE CHURCH ~ SAFEGUARDING: As Catholics we believe that every person is created in the image and likeness of God. Therefore, we continue to ensure that our parish is a place where everyone is treated with respect and dignity. We foster an environment which is welcoming, and in which all our parish whanau, including our tamariki, rangatahi, kuia and kaumatua, feel safe.

ST DOMINIC'S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM: have sessions every Sunday from 10:45am to 12 Noon, in the School hall for the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. The sacraments will be celebrated on Sunday 22nd September with Bishop Steve Lowe.

Parish Secretary Vacancy at St Dominic's Parish: Role involves administrative tasks, financial reporting processes and managing invoices. Must be able to handle website and MYOB. Part-time role of 20 hours per week. Please submit your CV and covering letter outlining your interest in this role to Fr Ephrem or Paul P'au. The last date for submitting the application is COB 28th June 2024.

NZ CATHOLIC: NZ Catholic for sale: Price is \$4 per copy. Some headlines for this issue: Former winery is possible future parish site. Caritas reacts to Government's Budget. NZ synod response sent to Rome. Farewell editorial as 106 years of 'bishop's paper' ends. **NOTE:** The final edition, which is printed on June 25, will be a photo commemorative edition and will be free of charge.

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KNITTING FOR CHARITY: The next session will be held on Sunday 16th June 2024 at 2pm, in the Parish Centre, knitting woollies for Monte Cecilia. All are welcome to join.

Monte Cecilia Housing Trust annual Winter Woollies Drive: Monte Cecilia Housing Trust invites the community to support our families in need through our annual Winter Woollies Drive. You can help by donating any new or gently used (and clean) warm clothing, blankets or bedding. Please bring any donations to our main office: 30 Windrush Close, Mangere, Auckland. If you would rather make a financial contribution, you can do so through Monte Cecilia's website. Your generosity will make a big difference in the lives of the families we support. Thank you.

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.

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

"REQUESTS FOR MASS" Envelopes are available at the back of the church.

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:

St Mary's College: This week we were lucky to have St Mary's college come and share their BIG BAND with us here at school. The children love when BIG kids come and their show and talent was wonderful to see.

Budgeting workshop: We held a budgeting workshop here at school this week. We had loads of parents turn up to this and the presentation and tips were very good. Henderson budgeting services is a great place to go if you need a few pointers with your finances.

New footpath is all go: We have pressed the go button on the new footpath that will be laid from basically the big Oak tree right through to the road. This will take the children and parents away from the car park and allow for safer car use in the car park. No children will need to walk across and carpark at any time once this goes down!

Towards October 2024 Aotearoa NZ Synod Consultation: We have read this and found some of the feedback very interesting and allowed great conversation as staff. We encourage you all to read it.

Cup of tea: Please make sure if you have a few spare minutes before or after Mass to drop over for a cuppa. The jug is always on and the milk is always reasonably in date! ~ Daniel Pepper

Other News

Masterclass | Saturday 22nd June 3pm – 8:30pm at Te Kupenga 40 Vermont St Auckland.

If you're a youth ministry leader or young adult ministry leader, you're invited to our quarterly event dedicated to equipping, empowering and energising you for ministry. Registrations now open: Go to facebook.com/AKCYM to register or email felicitym@cda.org.nz for more info.

Upcoming Retreats & Events at St Francis Retreat Centre:

(1) Time Out Days – For those who seek a day retreat - 9:30am – 2:30pm (\$30 includes lunch) | Thu 27 Jun | Tue 9 Jul. **(2) Behold the Man** - A retreat for men with Fr Michael Therese CSJ | Fri 7 Jun 7pm-Sun 9 Jun 4:30pm | Email retreats@sfrc.org.nz to register your interest and receive more info.

(3) 24Hr Quietude- For those who seek a short retreat- Fri 7pm - Sat 7pm (\$120pp incl accommodation + food) | July 12th/13th. **(4) Women's Prayer Retreat** - A reflective prayer retreat in the Catholic tradition for Women | 3 nights, 4 days starting Thu 1 Aug 7pm - Sun 4 Aug 3pm | Earlybird (before 2/7) \$350 | Standard \$400. **(5) Living as the Beloved**- Silent Retreat based on the book 'Life of the Beloved' by Henri Nouwen | \$599 all meals and accommodation | Fri 25 Oct 5:30pm - Mon 28 Oct 5pm | Email jmartin.blaker@gmail.com to register

The Lamb of God Community invite youth in school years 9 to 13 to its 26th **Annual Youth Camp "Winter Oasis"** to be held from 6th to 8th July at Camp Morley-Clarks Beach. The theme is "You are CHOSEN" with the focus being on helping our youth realise that each of them is loved, called and chosen by God. For further information and to register, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/WinterOasis2024> or contact Karyn Coutinho on 021 806855 (WinterOasisCamp@gmail.com)

World Youth Day Auckland | Saturday 17th August 10am – 8:30pm at Victory Convention Centre 98 Beaumont St Freemans Bay. For more information please email felicitym@cda.org.nz

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

Recently Deceased/Anniversaries: Janet Jensen, Elsy Vivera, Vern Walker, Chris Sekula, Pearl Dharmai, Ineke Merckens, Peter Gasson, Bernadette Waith, Yvonne Ryan, Anthony Bakarich, Fr Mario Dorado, Conrad & 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.