



*Mass Schedule*

**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)

**NEXT SUNDAY (18th August 2024)**

**20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Scripture Readings)**

**1st Reading:** Prov 9:1-6 Come and eat my bread and drink the wine I have prepared.  
**2nd Reading:** Eph 5: 15-20 Sing the praises of the Lord so that always and everywhere you are giving thanks to God who is our Father.  
**Gospel Reading:** Jn 6:51-58 My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.  
**Psalm:** Psalm 34: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord

**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**

	<b>Sat 6:00pm</b>	Carlos Pulini, Nithin Savio, Sean Joseph, Braelei Faith
	<b>Sun 8:00am</b>	Javier Soares and Jessica MacKenzie
	<b>Sun 9:30am</b>	Alice Schaumkel, Amanda Chidi, Lillian Schaumkel, Sione Tupu

	<b>Sat 6:00pm</b>	<b>Sun 8:00am</b>	<b>Sun 9:30am</b>
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Chryslyn Pinto	Jewel Villos	Natasha Pinto
<b>1st Reading:</b>	Rekha Baptista	Donald Holder	Sarah Flynn
<b>2nd Reading:</b>	Kendall D'Souza	Leeda Ferdis	Joy Reginald-Opara
<b>Ministers of Communion:</b>	Betsy Rego	Charlotte Monteiro	Brower Jr Pule
<b>Communion:</b>	Bradley Pinto	Paul Reddy	Theresa Gomes
<b>Communion:</b>	Renee D'Souza	Karen Vivera	Valyne Koh
<b>Projectionist:</b>	Jessie Dalgado	Rob Villos	Vincent George
<b>Chief Collector:</b>	Romir Baptista	Paul Reddy	Leonard Pinto
<b>Co-Ordinator:</b>	Geeta D'Souza	Mabel Vivera	Valyne Koh
<b>Music:</b>	John Smit	N/A	Graham S

**CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER**  
 Jose Alexander and family (10 August 2024)

**FLOWER ARRANGEMENT ROSTER**  
 Irae Pule & Lisa Kachappilly (10 August 2024)

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

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 34 Bolton Street, PO Box 48097, Blockhouse Bay, Auckland

*We, the People of God, continue Christ's Mission of Love in our Diversity.*

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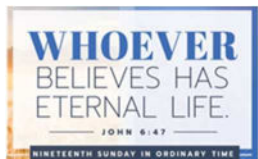
**TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Scripture Readings)**

**1st Reading:** Ex 16: God sent down quail and bread for the Israelites wandering in the desert.  
**2nd Reading:** Eph 4:17, 20-24 Put on the new self, in righteousness and holiness of truth.  
**Gospel Reading:** Jn 6:24-35 I am the Bread of Life.  
**Psalm:** Ps 78: The Lord gave them bread from heaven.



**11th August 2024**



The second part of Jesus' great discourse sees a slight change in tactics. The Jewish authorities scoffed at Jesus' claim, certain of their own truth. But Jesus, sure in God's truth, advances his case as the One sent by God. To be taught by God is to come to Jesus - and we need to understand that 'come' is here best understood as belief in Jesus - 'everyone who believes has eternal life'. The believer HAS (present tense), as in right in this moment now, eternal life. That does not mean that we will not pass through physical death. But physical death is understood in the Gospel of John as a transition from physical life into the fullness of eternal life. The eternal life we possess now is only partial, it is not yet complete, and can only become complete when Jesus comes again in his glory on the last day, at the end times. Jesus drives his message home with the truly shocking image of eating the living bread come down from heaven. He continues with the disturbing image of his flesh as the bread that he gives. We become so familiar with these texts that the horrifying images have lost their horror. So, take some time now, and sit with those last four lines of the Gospel reading. How are they impacting you? What scandalises you? What can Jesus possibly mean by eating his flesh?

**The Pontifical Society of St Peter the Apostle**, one of the Pope's missionary arms, currently supports 81,393 seminarians training in third world countries. The Church in NZ has been blessed by priests from the Philippines, Indonesia, India and Uganda serving our people.

Can you offer a donation or financial support for this work?  
 Donate to MissioNZ 06-0411-0021447-00

**Pontifical Mission Societies 2024 Appeal**  
 Supporting the formation of Indigenous Priests

**The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.**

## Parish News

**Dear parishioners.** The Parish Priest and the staff wish to thank you for the wonderful celebration that was put up on the occasion of the feast of our patron Saint Dominic. Your presence, generosity and active participation was a treat to watch. It was magnificent to see all of you joined together to make this day a memorable one. The leadership team, hospitality team, all the volunteers, with lively music the event marks a special bonding occasion for all of us. St Dominic primary School led by the Principal, Daniel, provided us with a wonderful venue that creates an atmosphere of feeling relaxed and welcomed. May God bless you all. Thank you. Fr Ephrem

**Reconciliation and Exposition** will **NOT** be held on Saturday 17th August 2024.

**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** This is the patronal feast of the Catholic people in Aotearoa New Zealand. We will celebrate with a VIGIL Mass on Wednesday 14th August at 7:00pm and morning Mass on Thursday 15th August at 9:15am

**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.

**Fire Warden** training will be held on **Sat 24 Aug** from 9:00am to 12:00pm, in the parish centre.

**Monte Cecilia Housing Trust:** is seeking property owners willing to lease their homes to help low-income families. Your support can make a profound difference in the lives of families in need. By partnering with them, you will also receive guaranteed rent for 52 weeks a year, assurance of tenant-liable damage repairs, hassle-free maintenance without facilitation charges, and no commission fees. For more information, please contact Monte Cecilia Housing Trust on 0800 624 848.

**Catholic Women's League:** Next meeting will be at 10am on Friday 16th August in the Parish centre, after the 9.15 Mass. There will be a collection for the AT HOME appeal, Plunket NZ. All welcome for morning tea before the meeting. Contact Marie 627 9193 or 027 3813361

**Men's Conference:** The Lamb of God Community would like to invite all men to a Men's Conference from 23 – 25 August at Willow Park Christian Camp. The theme this year is "ARISE", founded on the scripture 1 Cor. 16:13-14 "Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love." For more details, contact Patrick Amaral at [patrick\\_amaral@hotmail.com](mailto:patrick_amaral@hotmail.com) / 0210381984. Register on <https://bit.ly/3LaqD2b>. For any further information please contact Dcn Steve Fraser on [stephenf@cda.org.nz](mailto:stephenf@cda.org.nz) or 021439407 Look forwards to seeing you all there!

**Weekend Live-In Retreat at St Francis Retreat Centre-** 7 to 11 August 2024: A mixed retreat (Women and Men) where you can develop/deepen your prayer life. Cost - \$300. Contact Clive Goodman from our parish on 021 264 2256 or [crprop@gmail.com](mailto:crprop@gmail.com) (See notice board for more information on the above).

**PLANNED GIVING Tax Receipts:** for the 2023-24 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.

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

**DONATIONS / PLANNED GIVING:** To join our Planned Giving scheme please send an email to: [stdomspgc@gmail.com](mailto: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 Dominic's Day 2024:** A great day was had by all. A very special liturgy was held in the hall and the school Disciples really showed their leadership and their speaking skills. They shared St Dominic's life story. We presented our Sisters with a special gift each,, to say thanks for their dedication and deep faith they role model to us all everyday.

All classes carried out a range of ART across the school, all based around St Dominic's Symbols. A BIG thanks to our special mums that cooked the free sausages. We also gave every child the annual badge we hand out on St Dominic's day based on the school's theme. A massive day and something that the children will hopefully remember!

**100 day party :** We celebrated the 100 days of learning here at school. It has 100 days that the children have been counting and learning all about numbers up until this point. The children were super excited about this and they all came dressed up in party clothes and ready for a great day.

They had yummy cake and cup cakes thanks to a special mum , a disco and they also played with the parachute inside the hall. So much fun and so much learning!

Weekly raffles at school: Term 3 Weekly Raffles! We had such great support for the Quiz night raffles, that we have a few left over so we have decided to sell them here at the office. This way everyone can have a go at winning! Tickets can be purchased at the office and are \$2.00 each or \$5.00 for 3 (cash only please). ~ Daniel Pepper

## Other News

**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](mailto:felicitym@cda.org.nz)

**The Diocesan Faith Formation Team** are offering refresher education sessions across the regions of the diocese for the ministries of 1st Sacraments for Children and Baptism preparation. This is open to all educators and volunteers involved in these ministries. For regional sessions, please register on <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/formation/> to attend for your parish.

**PRO-LIFE CONFERENCE:** Proclaiming the Gospel of Life in a Post-Christian Culture on 30 and 31st August | Holy Family Parish Hall, Te Atatu Peninsula. Keynote speaker is Fr. Shenan Boquet (USA), an engaging pro-life missionary who trains seminarians, clergy, and lay persons. For more info contact Simon Archer: 021 400 729 | [simon@fli.org.nz](mailto:simon@fli.org.nz) or visit [fli.org.nz/speaking-tour-2024](http://fli.org.nz/speaking-tour-2024)

**Holy Cross Seminary, Ponsonby** invites you to join them to celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Bishop Steve Lowe will be presiding. Mass will be celebrated at 7pm on Monday, 02 September 2024 at Sacred Heart Parish, 16 Vermont Street, Ponsonby. Light refreshments will be served at Holy Cross Seminary, 44 Vermont Street after Mass.

**CA Qualified Accountant** – Fixed Term 1-year Parental Leave Cover Opportunity. The role will assist the Diocesan Accounting Manager with operational leadership for the financial management of various entities under the Catholic Diocese of Auckland. Visit [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz) under Diocesan Services and Staff Vacancies for full position description. Applications close on 12/08/24.

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

**Recently Deceased/Anniversaries:** Maggie Rebello, Elsa Olla, Janet Jensen, Elsy Vivera, Vern Walker, Chris Sekula, Pearl Dharmai, Ineke Merckens, Peter Gasson, Bernadette Waith, Yvonne Ryan, 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.*