



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 2:00pm to 3:00pm

(Please see the Church noticeboard and Website)

NEXT SUNDAY (22nd September 2024)

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Scripture Readings)

1st Reading: Wis 2:12,17-20 The godless say to themselves; let us lie in wait for the virtuous man.
2nd Reading: James 3:16-4:3 Justice is the harvest of peacemakers who from seeds sown in a spirit of peace.
Gospel Reading: Mk 9:30-37 If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.
Psalm: Psalm 53 (54):3-6, 8 The Lord upholds my life.

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.



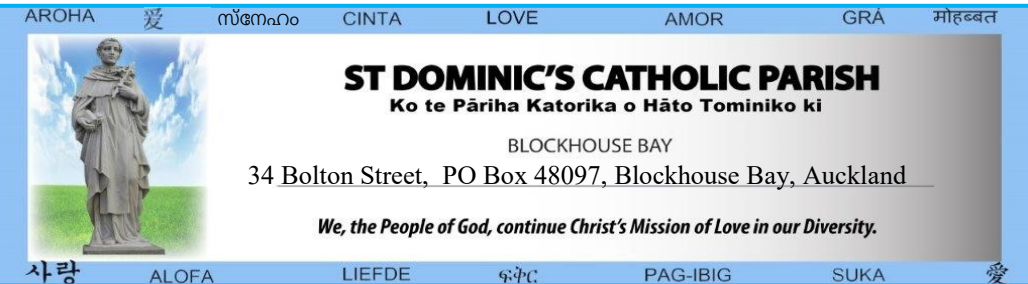
ALTAR SERVERS and OTHER MINISTRY Rosters

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES	Sat 6:00pm	Nithin Savio, Sean Joseph, Swinth Rodrigues		
	Sun 8:00am	Javier Soares and Jessica MacKenzie		
	Sun 9:30am	Alice Schaumkel, Amanda Chidi, Lillian Schaumkel, Sione Tupu		

	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:00am	Sun 9:30am
Hospitality:	Carol D'Souza	Charlotte Monteiro	Jewel Villos
1st Reading:	Betsy Rego	Donald Holder	Goretti Fernandes
2nd Reading:	Kendall D'Souza	Josh Soares	Nila Malo
Ministers of Communion:	Betsy Rego	Anne Sia	Kamla Singh
Communion:	Bradley Pinto	Charlotte Monteiro	Natasha Pinto
Communion:	Renee D'Souza	Valyne Koh	Karen Rodrigues
Projectionist:	Jessie Dalgado	Josh Soares	Samoan Community
Chief Collector:	Romir Baptista	Paul Reddy	Leonard Pinto
Co-Ordinator:	Geeta D'Souza	Josh Soares	Paul Reddy
Music:	John Smit	N/A	Samoan Group

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER
 Mendonca family (21st Sep 2024)

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT ROSTER
 Jennifer & Nereus D'MELLO (21st Sep 2024)



ST DOMINIC'S CATHOLIC PARISH

Ko te Pāriha Katorika o Hāto Tominiko ki

BLOCKHOUSE BAY

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

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Scripture Readings)

1st Reading: Isaiah 50: 5-9 *I gave my body to those who struck me*
2nd Reading: James 2: 14-18 *Faith without good works is dead*
Gospel Reading: Mk 8: 27-35 *If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him take up his cross and follow me.*
Psalm: Psalm 114(115) *I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.*



15th September 2024

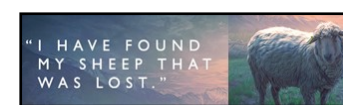


Jesus asks his disciples directly, 'Who do you say I am?' If Jesus asked me that question today, how would I reply? I could talk about his being a gifted speaker, a compassionate healer, a good listener or a talented storyteller and all these would be true. But there is so much more to people than the impression I get from hearing them speak or watching their actions. To know who a person really is, I have to speak out of a personal relationship with them, and from my heart. Peter says of Jesus, 'You are the Christ'. From his experience of being with Jesus, Peter knows there is something more to this man. He believes he is Son of God, that the Word of God has truly become flesh in him. 'Who do you say I am?' is truly a profound question and I want my response to come from the depths of my heart.

Like Peter, this is an act of faith for me. I feel drawn to take time to be with Jesus now and speak to him from my heart. ~ God's Word 2024

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



Parish News

St. Dominic's Sacramental Program: The sacraments will be celebrated on Sunday 22nd September with Bishop Steve Lowe.

Knitting for Charity: will be held on 8th & 22nd Sunday's September 2024 at 2pm, in the Parish Centre, knitting woollies for Monte Cecilia. All are welcome to join.

Catholic Women's League: The next meeting is on Friday 20th September at 10 am in the Parish centre. All welcome to join us for morning tea after the 9.15 Mass. Contact Marie 6279193 or 027 3813361

Young Adults Ball Saturday 14th September 7pm at McHugh's of Cheltenham Back by popular demand, we are excited to bring you The Young Adults Ball 2024! The theme for this year is 'Wonderland'. Here's your chance to put on your best formal attire and fall down the rabbit hole and into a world of whimsy, where the fantastical realm of Alice in Wonderland awaits! Ticket sales close 31st August or if sold out). **Tickets:** https://Young_Adults_Ball.eventbrite.com

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.

Volunteer Opportunities - English Teachers, Youth Workers & Youth Ministers. The Cagliero Project is an initiative of the Australia-Pacific Province of the Salesians of Don Bosco, providing overseas volunteer experiences for Australians and New Zealanders who wish to work with young people in the Asia-Pacific region.

We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers for January 2025 departure. Our volunteer placements run for 6-12 months and are centered around working with young people in educational settings. We are currently recruiting for volunteers for Cambodia, Samoa, Timor Leste, Mongolia and the Solomon Islands. For more information, or to send us an enquiry, follow this link: <http://cagliero.org.au/> Applications close **October 31st, 2024**. Contact: Lauren Hichaaba, Director of the Cagliero Project. **Email:** lhichaaba@salesians.org.au

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.

Positions available St Joseph's Takapuna Following restructuring of the parish staff, two positions have become available: **Executive assistant**, a) 25 hours per week role; and (b) **Property manager**, 10-15 hours per week. For position descriptions and to apply for a position, contact Fr Mark Napa firmark@stjoseph.org.nz Applications close 27 September 2024.

PLANNED GIVING Tax Receipts: Please e-mail stdomspgc@gmail.com for the 2023-24 Tax Year.

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 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



Do not let your heart
be troubled.
Have faith in God.

St Dominic's School News

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

Social Justice Day We had a great day last Friday all about Social Justice. The children got to build a house out of trampolines and boxes, plant a tree, filter water, carry water around a track, write a prayer and then write their name on a tile that will be displayed. It was all through CARITAS and the children had a blast! Great learning about those that have and those that do not.

Class masses The children are rostered on every week to attend mass on a Thursday. The classes and teachers love this time, and it allows them to be part of the parish family and to spend time with our Christ as a class. Father Ephrem then takes his time to attend the classes, and this is a special time for the children and their classroom teachers. We are blessed to be able to do this as a school.

School Foundation We have a strong school foundation that is always looking to support and help our school families. If you would like to help in any way please donate to the following account and this money goes directly to help people in our school/parish community. Just leave your details in the reference and we can give you a GST receipt. Bank Account Number: 12-3034-0276615-00

Church funny A man is in the woods and suddenly a bear pops out and starts chasing him. The man is terrified and begins to pray. He prays frantically "Lord please make this bear more Christian!!"

Suddenly the bear bows his head and begins praying "dear Lord thank you for this food I am about to receive. ~ Daniel Pepper

Other News

Live in Retreat: Divine Retreat Centre - New Zealand (DRCNZ) is organizing a Live in Retreat at Sonshine Ranch, 223 Creighton's Road, Clevedon from Friday 4th Oct 5pm to Sunday 6th October. 12pm. E-mail drcnz@hotmail.com for registration or call **Brian 0210309144** for more details. Refreshments will be provided. No registration required. All are welcome with friends and family.

Free Leadership Seminar for the youth: The El Shaddai Bible Study Group is organising a free leadership seminar for youth 18 years and above. Our aim is to provide our youth with both self-evaluation and guidance on navigating the corporate world. The seminar will be led by **Robin Cooper** (Operations Programmes & Interface Director | Auckland Airport) on 12th October between 1pm and 4 pm at the Parish centre. Further information is available on the Parish Notice board. For interest please call Audrey Cooper **on 021 141 5778**.

New Zealand Catholic Medical Association (NZCMA) networking event with Dr Mary English: GP practice owner and mum of six shares her remarkable journey navigating faith, family and medicine. A unique opportunity for healthcare students and professionals to connect and be inspired. **Friday 20 September 2024, 5:00pm** registration and canapés. 6:00pm keynote address by Dr Mary English. 6:45pm Q&A session at **Mayne Wetherell, Bayleys House**, Level 5, 30 Gaunt Street, Auckland CBD, Paid parking available nearby (e.g., Wynard Carpark and Wilson Parking Fanshawe)

FamilyLife Pastors Gathering: FamilyLife NZ desires that every home be a Godly home. That would provide a brilliant platform for spiritual and social flourishing in our city. Together, we'd love to invite you to a workshop to think strategically about the issue of relationship breakdown that

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.