



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 (29th September 2024)

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Scripture Readings)

1st Reading: Num 11:25-29 Are you jealous on my account? Who decrees that all people may prophesy?
2nd Reading: James 5:1-6 An answer to the rich: your wealth is all rotting, your clothes eaten by moths and your gold and silver corroding.
Gospel Reading: Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48 Anyone who is not against us is for us.
Psalm: Psalm 19 (18):8,10,12-14 The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

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, Braelei Faith
	Sun 8:00am	Javier Soares and Jessica MacKenzie
	Sun 9:30am	Sophia Xing, Jeremy Xing, Angeline Xing, Oliver McCrills

	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:00am	Sun 9:30am
Hospitality:	Peter Dalgado	Jewel Villos	Melinda Hamlyn
1st Reading:	Bendito Fernandes	Irae Pule	Cath Bamber-O'Malley
2nd Reading:	Carol D'Souza	Mabel Vivera	Richard O'Malley
Ministers of Communion:	Bradley Pinto	Cyril R	Lourdes Trainor
Communion:	Helen Bailie	Valyne Koh	Pius Joseph
Communion:	Sunita Fernandes	Theresa Gomes	Verena Sluiter
Projectionist:	Sylvester D'Souza	Rob Villos	Brower Jr Pule
Chief Collector:	Allwyn Pereira	Neil Monteiro	Melinda Hamlyn
Co-Ordinator:	Goretti Sheppard	Valyne Koh	Paul Reddy
Music:	Youth	N/A	Jefrey Nathan

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER
 (Naomi Franich & family - 28th Sep 2024)

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT ROSTER
 (Irae Pule & Lisa Kachappilly - 28th Sep 2024)

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 Ko te Pāriha Katorika o Hāto Tominiko ki

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

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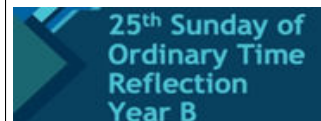
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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

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.



22nd September 2024



Have you ever listened to someone speaking with great passion about the work they do with those who live on the fringes of society? Their eyes sparkle with compassion and deep emotion as they tell stories of individuals whose lives have been turned around because of simple gestures of caring. These people often speak of how their own lives have been changed for the better too. By serving those who cannot give anything in return they discover the powerful presence of God.

Jesus said, 'If anyone wishes to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all. If my value as a person doesn't depend on the job I do, or the riches I have accumulated, how do I measure up to Jesus' standards with the service I give? It is all about an attitude of mind and heart, being fully present to God through the one in need. Of course, I don't only have to be working with those on the edge to know the pain and commitment of love. I may be a parent who keeps on giving to my child irrespective of my own needs or a carer for an ageing parent. I am certainly blessed if I can understand what greatness is in the eyes of the Gospel and of God. ~ 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 MissionNZ 06-0411-0021447-00

Pontifical Mission Societies 2024 Appeal
 Supporting the formation of Indigenous Priests



Parish News

Big thanks for a Wonderful Sacramental Program: *To our incredible teachers*, thank you for your commitment, patience, and guidance. Your passion for sharing faith and knowledge has made a lasting impact on our children and our community. *To the parents*, your involvement and encouragement have been invaluable. Your support not only fosters a nurturing environment for our children but also strengthens our entire community. *And to the children*, your enthusiasm and curiosity have brought joy to this journey. It has been a privilege to witness your growth and to celebrate these meaningful milestones together. Thank you all for making this program a beautiful experience.

Celebration Sunday 2024 - 6th October *'Let my actions be a continual prayer and speak to you of my love'* *'Mā aku mahi ka rangona tonutia ngā karakia me taku aroha ki ā koe'*. - Meri Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert we join with the Sisters of Compassion and all peoples of Aotearoa, New Zealand to celebrate the life of Venerable Suzanne Aubert Meri Hōhepa. Following her example, we pray that our actions will be a continual prayer that speak of Christ's love for all.

Prayerfully consider supporting the **Cathedral of St Patrick and St Joseph's annual appeal**, held 21 September. As the Mother Church of our Diocese, it stands as an oasis of peace for all in Auckland. Bishop Steve invites all in the diocese to make a pilgrimage to the Cathedral.

SCHOLARSHIP for Theological Study Bishop Stephen Lowe, the Catholic Bishop of Auckland, is pleased to call for applications for the *Ruth Miller Scholarship* for Theological Study. This scholarship will be available ideally for those already teaching in a Catholic school, who intend to do one or more theology papers towards a Bachelor of Theology degree in 2025. For further information about this scholarship and to receive an application form, please email: scholarships@cda.org.nz. **The closing date for applications is 15 NOVEMBER 2024**

The Walter Francis Darby Trust Scholarship for Medical Students If you are a fourth- or fifth-year medical student in 2025, are an active Catholic and normally reside within the Auckland Diocese you may be eligible for the Walter Francis Darby Trust Scholarship. **Applications close 15 November 2024. For more information, please email** scholarships@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.

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://cagliari.org.au/> Applications close **October 31st, 2024**. Contact: Lauren Hichaaba, Director of the Cagliari Project. Email: lhichaaba@salesians.org.au

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.

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

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 Merkens, 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.