



**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 (13<sup>th</sup> October 2024)**

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

**1st Reading:** Wis 7:7-11 In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.  
**2nd Reading:** Heb 4:12-13 The word of God is alive and active.  
**Gospel Reading:** Mk 10:17-30 Jesus told a young man. "Go, sell what you have and give to the poor... and follow me."  
**Psalm:** Psalm 89 (90):12-17 Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

**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	<b>Sat 6:00pm</b>	Nithin Savio, Sean Joseph, Swinth Rodrigues
	<b>Sun 8:00am</b>	Javier Soares and Jessica MacKenzie
	<b>Sun 9:30am</b>	Jason Dash, Chuka Chidi, Joshua Joseph, Oliver McCrills

	<b>Sat 6:00pm</b>	<b>Sun 8:00am</b>	<b>Sun 9:30am</b>
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Natasha Fernandes	Annlyn Lopez	Izabel Queen
<b>1st Reading:</b>	Reggis Rego	Karen Viviera	Joanne Jose
<b>2nd Reading:</b>	Betsy Rego	Josh Soares	Ethan Dharmai
<b>Ministers of Communion:</b>	Helen Bailie	Charlotte Monteiro	Anne Sia
<b>Communion:</b>	Renee D'Souza	Josh Soares	Kamla Singh
<b>Communion:</b>	Wilma Barboza	Valyne Koh	Verena Sluiter
<b>Projectionist:</b>	Goretti Sheppard	Rob Villos	Sylvester D'Souza
<b>Chief Collector:</b>	Josh Tham	Neil Monteiro	Eddie Sluiter
<b>Co-Ordinator:</b>	Leema Kishore	Mabel Viviera	Jewel Villos
<b>Music:</b>	John Smit	N/A	Youth

**CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER**  
 ( Jose Alexander and family- 12th Oct 2024)

**FLOWER ARRANGEMENT ROSTER**  
 ( Nita CREADO - 12th Oct 2024)

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**ST DOMINIC'S CATHOLIC PARISH**  
 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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**TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS**  
**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Scripture Readings)**

**1st Reading:** Gen 2:18-24 They were two in one flesh  
**2nd Reading:** Heb 2:9-11 He who sanctifies, and those who are sanctified, have one origin.  
**Gospel Reading:** Mk 10:2-16 What God has joined no-one must divide.  
**Psalm:** Psalm 127 (128) May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.



*6th October*  
**2024**



God created man and woman for each other. We encounter Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden but the blessed state of their existence is short lived. Sin enters the garden and both the man and the woman blame each other rather than take responsibility for it. From the time of their expulsion until New Testament times, man and woman are beset by difficulties in their relationships. The Pharisees question Jesus on the legitimacy of divorce and he redirects them to God's original design of man and woman as one flesh which cannot be divided. Yet they persist in questioning him and Jesus' teaching becomes more confronting. It is as challenging today as it was in the first century. In some ways the attitude of the Pharisees in questioning Jesus echoes the excuses raised by Adam and Eve for their sin. In contrast, the innocence and acceptance of the children in the final verses of today's Gospel model an appropriate attitude for those who seek the kingdom. The second reading from Hebrews provides the bridge. Through Christ's death and resurrection, we can regain our original innocence and enter the family 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 MissioNZ 06-0411-0021447-00



## Parish News



**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.

Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us that as often as we show compassion to the least of your brothers and sisters, we show it to you. Hear our prayers that Venerable Suzanne Aubert, who loved the Māori people and devoted her life to the poor, the sick and the underprivileged, and whom the Church has declared to be one of your true and humble followers, may soon be recognised as a saint. Amen.

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.

**Knitting for Charity** will be held on 6th & 20th Sunday's October 2024 at 2pm, in the Parish Centre, knitting woollies for Monte Cecilia. All are welcome to join.

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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://cagliero.org.au/> Applications close **October 31st, 2024**. Contact: Lauren Hichaaba, Director of the Cagliero Project. **Email: [lhichaaba@salesians.org.au](mailto:lhichaaba@salesians.org.au)**

**PLANNED GIVING Tax Receipts:** Please e-mail [stdomspgc@gmail.com](mailto: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](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



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:

**Term 3:** It has been a busy and exciting Term 3 here at St. Dominic's, with a strong focus on the basics while ensuring our children receive a well-rounded education. Despite some weather challenges, we accomplished most of what we set out to do, except for the Year 3/4 hike, which had to be postponed due to poor conditions.

**1st Holy Communion** - What a wonderful celebration it was last Sunday with so many children receiving this very special sacrament. The sun was shining and having the Bishop there made it just that extra special for the children and their families, I BIG thanks to the teachers of the programme and to the parish for making this happen for the families of the children. A BIG effort by the whole community.

**Term 4** - Looking ahead to Term 4, we'll be focusing on end-of-year reports, learning more about the new curriculum, the "Christmas Around the World" show, and end-of-year celebrations like the Final School Mass and prize-givings. The Christmas around the World show is on the 6th December.

**Church funny** - At the pearly gates, St. Peter greeted a priest and a politician and gave them their room assignments.

“Father, here are the keys to one of our nicest units. And for you, Mr. Politician, the keys to our finest penthouse suite.”

“This is unfair!” cried the priest.

“Listen,” St. Peter said, “Priests are a dime a dozen up here, but this is the first politician we’ve ever seen.” ~ 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](mailto: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**.

**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 plagues our city. How can the Church help build thriving, healthy marriages? Come along to be part of the solution. **Wednesday 2nd October, 10:30am-12pm, Gracecity Church, Greenlane.** (morning tea provided).

*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.*