



**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 (17<sup>th</sup> November 2024)**

**33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Scripture Readings)**

**1st Reading:** Dan 12:1-3 When that time comes, your own people will be spared.  
**2nd Reading:** Heb 10:11-14, 18 Christ has offered one single offering and has taken his place at the right hand of God.  
**Gospel Reading:** Mk 13:24-32 He shall gather his elect from the four winds.  
**Psalm:** Psalm 15 (16):5, 8-11 Keep me safe O God; you are my hope.

**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, Braelei Faith
	<b>Sun 8:00am</b>	Javier Soares, Eva Hu, Lucas Sun, Sione Tupu
	<b>Sun 9:30am</b>	Jason Dash, Amanda Chidi, Chuku Chidi, Jessica MacKenzie

	<b>Sat 6:00pm</b>	<b>Sun 8:00am</b>	<b>Sun 9:30am</b>
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Kendall D'Souza	Jewel Villos	Melinda Hamlyn
<b>1st Reading:</b>	Betsy Rego	Charlotte Monteiro	Nila Malo
<b>2nd Reading:</b>	Rekha Baptista	Leeda Ferdis	Joy Reginald-Opara
<b>Ministers of Communion:</b>	Bradley Pinto	Cyril R	Natasha Pinto
<b>Communion:</b>	Helen Bailie	Theresa Gomes	Valyne Koh
<b>Communion:</b>	Jessie Dalgado	Karen Vivera	Theresa Joseph
<b>Projectionist:</b>	Josh Tham	Annlynn Lopez	Vincent George
<b>Chief Collector:</b>	Romir Baptista	Rob Villos	Leonard Pinto
<b>Co-Ordinator:</b>	Geeta D'Souza	Josh Soares	Valyne Koh
<b>Music:</b>	John Smit	N/A	Graham S

**CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER**  
 (Kevin Creado & family - 16th Nov 2024)

**FLOWER ARRANGEMENT ROSTER**  
 (Jennifer & Nereus D'MELLO - 16th Nov 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**  
 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Scripture Readings)

**1st Reading:** 1 Kings 17:10-16 The widow made a little scone from her flour and brought it to Elijah.  
**2nd Reading:** Heb 9:24-28 Christ offered himself once, for all, to take the faults of many on himself.  
**Gospel Reading:** Mk 12:38-44 This poor widow has put in more than all who contributed.  
**Psalm:** Psalm 145 (146):7-10 Praise the Lord, my soul! OR Alleluia!



*10th November 2024*



Are Jesus' words about the widow in today's Gospel uttered in admiration or in exasperation? Is he full of praise for what he has seen or is he deploring the situation? In admiration, he may be pointing to the widow's action as a wonderful example of generosity and trust in God. In giving everything, she has to live on, she puts all her hope in God. However, Jesus may also be deploring rather than commending what is happening. In the list part of today's Gospel, Jesus denounces the scribes for taking the places of honour at banquets (where they will be well fed), while 'swallowing the property of widows', and Isus may see this happening in the case of this widow. She may have felt that she had no choice but to put in everything she had, to meet the requirements of the law, as interpreted by the scribes. I believe that both interpretations of this Gospel have merit. We can admire the widow's generosity and her faith and hope in God; while at the same time realising how easy religion can come to be about money and how much people can contribute. Members of the community should never be valued according to their bank balance. Let us remember that it is often the poor, the weak and the suffering who are the true treasures of any church community. ~ 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

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



## Parish News

**Request for Volunteers - Holy Communion to the Sick and Homebound:** May I request some volunteers to take Holy Communion to the Sick and Homebound **and join our parish pastoral care group.** Before you embark in this honourable ministry, training will be provided to ensure you feel confident and prepared. Your volunteering would be highly appreciated and we trust you will be guided by a guardian angel. Interested to join or have any queries, please contact the parish office or Fr. Ephrem directly. Bless you for your willingness to serve and bring Christ's love to others! Fr. Ephrem.

**Parish Youth Group:** 9.30am Mass of second Sunday is led by the youth of our parish. Parents and guardians are requested to encourage their children to join the parish youth group. There is a youth programme on the 4th Friday evening and Choir leads on 2nd Sunday of the month. Be encouraged to be part of the St Dominic's youth group. Fr. Ephrem

**Self-Rostering for Church Ministries/Altar Servers/Volunteers:** We would be doing a trial-run of Self Rostering through Google Sheets (would be shared via e-mail & mobile numbers) for the month of November '24. Seeking everyone's cooperation for making the trial-run a success by entering your names and providing valuable feedback.

**Columban Art Calendar 2025:** St. Columban's Mission Society's beautiful Art Calendar is available for sale at \$15/- only. All are encouraged to buy the Calendar to contribute to the Society.

**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**

**Champagnat Marist Education** is looking to appoint a **Group General Manager** to lead a new venture focusing on the Catholic and Marist Brothers' education mission. Alignment with Catholic education values and direction, stakeholder management, strategic planning, property operations, education and finance management are important elements. Further information is on SEEK where confidential applications can be made. **Closing date November 15, 2024.**

**Catholic women's League** On Friday 15th November the CWL group are going to the Bricklane Restaurant in New Lynn for lunch. The reservation is for 12 noon. Arrive about 11.45 if possible. Non members welcome Contact Marie 627 9193 or 027 3813361

**A spectacular concert** – 7pm, Saturday 16 November, Join us at St Michael's Catholic Church for a memorable evening. Hosted by James Ioelu, Bass Baritone, with special guest Edward Laurenson, Operatic Baritone, and musician friends. Uplifting classical songs from shows, opera, instrumental pieces and traditional Christmas music. Prices \$60 to \$95, includes intermission refreshments. Buy tickets at [trybooking.com](http://trybooking.com). Proceeds to support the Kiri Te Kanawa Foundation.

**For Trees, Gardens and Decks – Dave is the man:** Parishioner/handyman will fell or trim trees, repair decks, build fences or repair or maintain garden walls, painting (interior or exterior). He has references from another catholic school and parish. Tel. David Watt on 0275599084.

**PLANNED GIVING Tax Receipts:** Please e-mail [stdomspgc@gmail.com](mailto:stdomspgc@gmail.com) for the 2023-24 Tax Year.

**CUT OFF Times for items in the newsletter is 3:00pm THURSDAY. THANK YOU**

**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



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be troubled.  
Have faith in God.

## St Dominic's School News

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

**All Saints mass:** Last Friday, our whole school gathered for a beautiful All Saints Mass. The children displayed excellent behavior and manners, making it a truly special occasion. Our senior students did a fantastic job as readers, while the choir and entire school sang wonderfully, filling the space with joyful voices. Father shared an inspiring message, reminding us that each of us is called to be a saint by doing kind and saintly acts for others each day—a message that resonated with everyone. It was a meaningful celebration for our school community.

**School Yearbook for sale :** Get in quick as we are only printing 100 of these. They went super fast last year and once again people were raving about them!

All money goes to the PTA projects so money going back to school!

**St Dominic's Catholic Primary School Athletics Day - Friday, 8th November 2024:** Our students were all set to showcase their skills, strength, and team spirit in a series of fun and challenging events. We warmly invited parents to come along and cheer from the sidelines, joining us to make it a fantastic day for all. We couldn't wait to see everyone there for a day filled with fun, fitness, and sun!

**Church Funny:** The children were lined up at the tuck shop of a Catholic primary school for lunch. On a table was a large pile of apples. The nun had made a note, and posted on the apple tray: "Take only ONE. God is watching."

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples." ~ Daniel Pepper

## Other News

**A SPECTACULAR CONCERT – 7pm, SATURDAY 16 NOVEMBER** Join us at St Michael's Catholic Church for a memorable evening. Hosted by James Ioelu, Bass Baritone, with special guest Edward Laurenson, Operatic Baritone, and musician friends. Uplifting classical songs from shows, opera, instrumental pieces and traditional Christmas music. Prices \$60 to \$95, includes intermission refreshments. Buy tickets at [trybooking.com](http://trybooking.com). Proceeds to support the Kiri Te Kanawa Foundation.

**Calling all university students!** Join us this Tuesday 5th November for our final student Mass for 2024! 12:10pm at Maclaurin Chapel, 18 Princes St. Afterwards, there is a delicious free lunch. To find what's going on for Catholic tertiary students in Auckland, contact Daniel Story at [daniels@cda.org.nz](mailto:daniels@cda.org.nz) and check out [instagram.com/aucklandcatholicstudents](https://www.instagram.com/aucklandcatholicstudents).

**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)**

**Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College** is accepting **enrolments** for first semester 2025 from **23<sup>rd</sup> September to 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024**. Courses offered are Bachelor of Divinity, Graduate Diploma in Theology, Diploma and Certificate in Christian Studies, and a new microcredential on Managing Church Organisations.

**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, William Maguire (Bill).

**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.*