



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 (24th November 2024)

34th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Scripture Readings)

1st Reading: Dan 7:13-14 His sovereignty is eternal.
2nd Reading: Apoc 1:5-8 Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the Ruler of the kings of the earth.
Gospel Reading: Jn 18:33-37 You say that I am a king.
Psalm: Psalm 92 (93):1-2, 5 The Lord is king: he is robed in majesty.

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, Carlos Rudra Pulini, Sophia Mckellar
Sun 8:00am Javier Soares, Eva Hu, Lucas Sun, Kathlyn Sun
Sun 9:30am Sean Joseph, Jeremy Xing, Sophia Xing, Angeline Xing, Joshua Joseph

	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:00am	Sun 9:30am
Hospitality:	Mathew D'Souza	Melinda H	Joy Reginald-Opara
1st Reading:	Betsy	Annlyn Lopez	Anthony Carroll
2nd Reading:	Reggis	Mabel Vivera	Nila Malo
Ministers of Communion:	Betsy	Valyne Koh	Verena Sluiter
Communion:	Helen Bailie	Anne Sia	Kamla Singh
Communion:	Renee D'Souza	Theresa Gomes	Natasha Pinto
Projectionist:	Goretti Sheppard	Josh	Samoan Community
Chief Collector:	Joseph Moodel	Anne Sia	Eddie Sluiter
Co-Ordinator:	Joseph Moodel	Valyne Koh	Paul Reddy
Music:	John Smit	N/A	Samoan Community

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER
 (Mendonca family - 23rd Nov 2024)

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT ROSTER
 (Nita CREADO - 23rd Nov 2024)

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

BLOCKHOUSE BAY
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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

33rd 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.



17th November 2024



Today's Gospel presents an apocalyptic vision of the end of the world. In this vision, the sun, and the moon and stars, which seem so stable, are suddenly shaken violently and come crashing down. Hopefully none of us will experience the end of the world in this way. But we can all experience times when our personal worlds seem to be falling apart and crashing all around us. Perhaps some structures that were very important to us, and that we thought would always be there, have collapsed. Or perhaps some people, on whom we relied greatly, are suddenly taken from us. We feel that our world has come crashing down.

These are terrible experiences, but they can also be moments of grace, moments in which we experience the Lord entering our lives with great power and glory, as today's Gospel describes. We can experience God's presence in some way that inspires in us a joy and confidence that our actual situation cannot justify. Our being is uplifted: our heart rejoices, our soul is glad, even our body rests in safety. We learn to place all our hope in God. We pray with confidence, 'Keep us safe, O God, you are our hope.' ~ 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 have shared Google Sheets for Self Rostering and received a very positive response so far. However, for few parishioners who prefer not to use the online sheets, a printout is available at the church foyer for filling it manually. There are few spots (days & roles) available for rest of November to the end of December 2024. Please be encouraged in filling (online or manual) the spots/roles at the earliest.

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. **The closing date for applications is 15 November 2024**

"The Parish is delighted to welcome 4 new candidates, **Gema Guo, Jeff Li, Shivneel hand, and Shamus Jenner**, into the Catechumens at 6.00pm Vigil Mass on 16th November 2024. They will be received into the Catechumens to learn and grow in God's grace and in the faith of Jesus Christ." All the parishioners are invited to pray for them.

"**Fr Ephrem will be away for his annual retreat** from Sunday evening of 17th November to Sunday evening 24th November. Fr Praful Kerketta OFM Cap will provide Spiritual and Pastoral Care to the parish in Fr Ephrem's absence. Please keep them in prayer."

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. 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 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 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:

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

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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 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**

Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is accepting **enrolments** for first semester 2025 from **23rd September to 22nd 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.*