

Maria Assumpta Parish Bulletin

MARIA ASSUMPTA CATHOLIC CHURCH
198 Beach Haven Road, Auckland 0626
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SUNDAY MASS: 8am, 10am

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 10am-12pm

WEEKDAY MASS: Cancelled

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Mon, Thurs, Friday 9am-1pm

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 27 September 2020

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28 **Psalm:** 25
Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11
Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

Reflection by Fr Aleki Piula

Saying and Doing



Today's readings invite us to think and reflect on our life decision making. Every day we must make choices. Sometimes we make wrong choice and do things we should not, remember that whenever we have had a change of heart. And Jesus is ready to give you another chance to put things right. And what is it? 'Is doing the will of the heavenly Father, "for whoever does the will of my heavenly Father is my brother, my sister, and my mother "(Matthew 12:50). it is the criterion by which people will be judged worthy of entering the kingdom of Heaven. 'Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord! will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven "(Matthew 7:21).

In the first reading the prophet Ezekiel tells that when the sinner renounces sin, he shall certainly live. If any of you turn from your sins and start doing right, you will be safe. If you really turn from your wrong and do this, you will go on living.

The author of the Psalm 24 acknowledges is that he is a sinner. He admits the sins of his youth. and begging Lord to remember his mercy. Lord, show me your paths and teach me to follow. Guide me your truth and instruct me, keep me safe and I always trust you. You lead humble people to do what is right and to stay in your truth.

In the second reading St Paul's letter to the Philippians saying in their minds they must be the same as Christ Jesus. Self-seeking and rivalry have no place in the Christian community. We must imitate the humility of Christ. Live in harmony by showing love for each other. be humble and consider others more important than yourselves. Care about them as much as yourselves. Think the same way as Christ did. 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him' (John 14:23).

**Welcome - Malo e lelei - Bula Vinaka - Talofa lava - Mabuhay - Bienvenue
Nei hou ma - Anneunghaseyo - Ayu Bowan - Willkommen - Welkom
Haere mai! Nau mai! Whakatau mai!**

In today's gospel Luke tells us about the parable of the two sons. The Father went to the older son and said, 'Go work in the vineyard today!' he said, 'he will not go, but afterwards thought better of it and went'. This son represents sinners, they originally chose to go their own way but they then repented and took God's way, and so gained entry into the kingdom.

The Father said to the younger son, to go work in the vineyard, the younger son said, 'Certainly, Sir, but did not go. This son represents the chief priests and elders and leaders, they promised to work for God but failed to do so, and so have excluded themselves from the kingdom.

Which one of the sons obeyed their father? The chief priests and leaders answered 'The older son. And Jesus said, 'You can be sure the tax collectors and bad women will get into the kingdom of God before you ever will. When John the Baptist showed you how to do right, you would not believe him, but these evil people did believe. And even when you saw what they did, you still would not change your minds and believe. Therefore, repentance is necessary disposition for entry into the kingdom. The theme of sin and repentance is also dealt with in the first reading. The parable also echoes a favourite theme of Matthew, the split in the religious person between saying and doing. Hence, its relevance for religious people in every age.

Do you think that people cannot change. Our scriptures affirm us that it is possible for the wicked to renounce their evil ways and live. It is also possible for a rebellious son to have a change of heart and do what his father asks of him, as Jesus told us in today's gospel. And to change then there are two things required first is the individual must recognize and accept that there is something in his or her life that needs to be changed.

It can only be if you acknowledge that you have a problem, or wrong and need help. Second we have to know that the grace of God is needed for positive change to happen. Like the psalmist makes a surrender to God in today's psalm. He extols none of his own virtues but puts all his hope in God who is good and upright and shows the path to those who stray. Therefore, if we humbly recognize areas where we need to change, and desire that change to happen we can be sure that the grace of God will never be lacking.

Let us humble ourselves and walk in the way of God .

May the Lord help us during this Covid19.

Fr Aleki



Remember:
Daylight Saving Starts 27
September 2020
On Saturday move your
clock forward 1 hour

IF YOU SEE COVID-19 MISINFORMATION

1 DON'T ENGAGE

If you reply, share, or quote misinformation, you help to spread it.

2 BLOCK THEM

If someone you don't know is sharing misinformation, block them.

3 MESSAGE PRIVATELY

If someone you know is sharing misinformation, message them privately and ask them not to.

4 REPORT

Report misinformation to platforms or group admins asking them to remove that content.

5 INSTEAD, SPREAD OFFICIAL ADVICE

Down out fake news by sharing official scientific advice, as well as posts promoting good causes in tough times.

Announcements :

- Our church will be open from Monday to Sunday for personal prayer.
- No Mass during the week up to the new announcement of the Government on 7th of October.
- Confession is available on Saturday from 10am to 12pm. If you want any other day please contact Fr Aleki on his phone
- Our Mass will be available only Sunday at 8am and 10am.
- For Marriage please contact Fr Aleki
- For Baptism please contact Fr Aleki
- For signing of any school enrollment forms to enter the Catholic school you may contact our secretary or Fr Aleki

**SHINE TV broadcasts Sunday Mass from 2.00pm Free-to-air Channel 25,
Sky TV channel 201 Continuing until further notice.**

Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ,
His only Son, Our Lord,
who was conceived
by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the
dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there He will come to judge the
living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection
of the body, and life everlasting.
Amen*

Order of Mass:

Everybody **must** either log-in on their Government Covid app at the church door or sign in if they do not have the app.

- There will be physical distancing with half the benches closed – so numbers attending Mass are limited.
- At the beginning of Mass and at the Sign of Peace there will be no handshakes but instead a smile and bow to each other.
- Holy Communion will not be distributed from the chalice.
- Holy Communion will only be distributed in the hand and not on the tongue.
- There will be no holy water at the church door.
- There will be no singing at Mass.
- After Mass, there will be NO tea/coffee in the hall.

If you are unwell please do not attend Mass.

You are reminded that the Bishops have given a dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays during the period of Level 2 restrictions.

Hopefully, after 6 Oct we may be at Level 1.

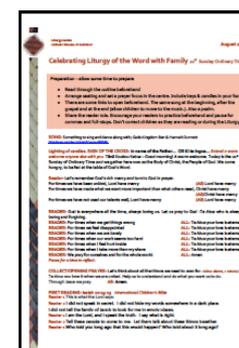
Gloria

*Glory to God in the highest, and on
earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we
adore you, we glorify you, we give
you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God,
almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ,
Only Begotten Son, Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the
world, have mercy on us; you take
away the sins of the world, receive
our prayer; you are seated at the
right hand of the Father, have mer-
cy on us. For you alone are the Ho-
ly One, you alone are the Lord, you
alone are the Most High, Jesus
Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the
glory of God the Father. Amen.*



The latest version of NZ Catholic is available free on our **Web app** and with this link below:

<https://tinyurl.com/y5zdjbx6>



Liturgy of the Word for this weekend, is available free on our **Web app** and with this link below:

<https://tinyurl.com/yyjk8yyu>

Next Week Ministries	8:00am Mass	10:00am Mass	Next Week READINGS 04 October 2020 First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7 Psalm 80 Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9 Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43
Welcome/Notices	Beate Matthies	Stephen Chmiel	
Ministers Of The Word	Rita Webster Charles Grinter	Suzie McCarthy Lolesio Filipo	
Ministers of Communion	No Minister of communion	No Minister of communion	
Prayers Of The Faithful	Anne Anderson/Ray	Bill Killgallon	
Computer	No computer	No computer	
Organist	No Music	No Music	
Counters	Team A	Te Aorere Chan Andrew Gongora	

SPECIAL MASSES

Filipino Mass: 1st Sunday of month, Due to Covid-19, we will advise when Masses will resume again

Samoan Mass: 2nd Sunday of month, Due to Covid-19, we will advise when Masses will resume again

Tongan Mass: 3rd Sunday of the month, Due to Covid-19, we will advise when Masses will resume again

Multicultural Mass: 4th Sunday of every other month,. Due to Covid-19, we will advise when Masses will resume again

Youth Mass: 4th Sunday at 10 am (*on alternate months to Multicultural mass*)

Maori Mass: 5th Sunday of month, Due to Covid-19, we will advise when Masses will resume again

Note: Singing Practice: Saturdays after morning Mass. Due to Covid-19, we will advise when Masses will resume again

DEVOTIONS

Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist: First Friday every month - 6:00 pm

First Fridays: Sacred Heart of Jesus, Mass 7:00 pm (*followed by a shared meal in the hall*)

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Youth Group: Youth meet every second and fourth Friday of the month at 6.30pm.

NSSCC Fono: 4th Sunday of the month, 11.30am – 3.00pm

Enua Ola Group - Zumba : Every Tuesday, 6pm in parish hall.

Multicultural group meeting: Second Thursday of the month, at 7.00 pm

Ladies' Scripture sharing group: 1st Monday of the month, 10.00am.

Finance Committee meeting: 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 pm.

Liturgy Committee meeting: 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7:00 pm.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting: 3rd Thursday of the month 7.00pm.

HALL HIRE

All bookings can be made **ONLINE**

<https://beachhavencatholic.org.nz/venue-hall-hire/>

Should be made through the Parish Office (09) 483 5919 or by email: mariaassumpta@xtra.co.nz

Parishioners fee: \$50.00 for Bond & Koha per hour.

Non - Parishioners fee: \$100 Bond and \$20.00 per hour.



CHURCH MAINTENANCE

Please inform the parish office of any damages that need repairing on parish premises.

If you can assist with maintenance please contact, David Sharkey -

Ph:021 2940292 or email:

david.sharkey003@gmail.com

NOTICES FOR PARISH BULLETIN

These should be received by Thursday every week. Notices are approved by the Parish Priest and will be placed if there is room.

Email the wording to: mariaassumpta@xtra.co.nz