



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: 9am - Tuesday to Saturday

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

Pentecost Sunday 23 May 2021

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11
Psalm: 104
Second Reading: Galatians 5.16-25
Gospel: John 15.26-27; 16.12-15

Reflection by Fr Aleki Piula

The Ascension of the Lord



Pentecost is fifty days away from the resurrection of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ from the dead. The Easter Season finishes today with the celebration of the Pentecost. This feast the Holy Spirit descent upon the Apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem. This event marks the beginning of the new community, the Church. This is the day the apostles left the upper room, when they had been hiding for fear of the Jews and went out fearlessly to preach the Good News to the world. Today is the birthday of the church. They could not have done this if they had not received power from on high that is the Holy Spirit. We too need the Holy Spirit to live as the followers of Christ.

In the first reading we hear the Holy Spirit descends upon the apostles gathered in Jerusalem. Luke describes the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles, and the effect it had on them.

Psalm 104 sings God's Spirit renews the earth.

In the second reading, the Holy Spirit gives different gifts to different people, for the good of the Church, the Body of Christ. We are all one in Christ Jesus.

In today's Gospel, Jesus appears to his disciples and gives them the gift of the Holy Spirit. The risen Jesus gives the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples and inaugurates the mission of the Church. Yet the event in John's Gospel takes place on Easter Sunday.

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

It is to know that after Jesus' death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an Advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Then he commissions his disciples to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins., Pentecost for the Jewish tradition as the feast of the giving of the Law on Mount Sinai.

As Jesus returns to the Father, the Advocate will continue the presence of the divine among us. As we filled with the Spirit, we will continue Jesus' mission of being witnesses to God. Jesus still has much to teach us. So, through the presence of the Spirit who has learnt from the Father and will tell us of the things to come'.

At Pentecost, the Church received the gift of the Holy Spirit. The third person of the Blessed Trinity guides the Church as Christ promised, God shares himself with Christ, who shares God with us through the Holy Spirit. Hence through Pentecost people begin to enter the life triune God. So today's feast reminds us that the Holy Spirit is active in the life of the Church both in the guidance of the hierarchy and in the lives of the baptized .The Holy Spirit guides the church and lives with each one of us as a person so that each of us can ask the Holy Spirit for wisdom and guidance.

Announcements :

PLEASE SCAN in using QR CODE.

- Seeking for anyone who is interested to help our parish on teaching the RCIA , I would like 2-3 volunteers, all costs covered by the Parish and held at the Catholic Theological College (Columba Centre (Vermont Street). Dates: Friday 16th 6pm to 9pm, Saturday 17th July: 9am -4pm, Friday 6 August 6pm -9pm, Saturday 7th August: 9am-4pm. Please contact Fr Aleki (see notice in Church)
- Thank you to the PPC committee for this week's meetings.
- "Naumai! Haere mai ki te Miha Maori! Welcome to Maori Mass" on Sunday 30th May, Trinity Sunday, at 10.00am. There will be a singing practice, yet to be confirmed, some time before Sunday 30th. We would be grateful if you could bring a plate of finger food for shared lunch after Miha. "Kā kite i a koutou katoa i Te Miha. Mā Te Atua koutou e manaaki e tiaki i te wā katoa!"
- PLEDGE RECEIPTS ARE AT BACK OF CHURCH TODAY.
- A free special edition of NZ Catholic, focusing on vocations to the priesthood and religious life, is available today at the back of the Church. The special edition includes a message from Bishop Patrick Dunn. Please take the special edition home with you, and when people in your household have finished reading it, please pass it on to others.
- **TODAY** - Sacramental Programme - 9h30-10h30
- **TODAY** - Multicultural Mass - 10 am
- **30 May** - Miha Maori Mass - 10 am

As we enter this new week let us ask the Holy Spirit to be our guidance to direct us in God's way and help us to use wisely the gifts bestowed on us by the Spirit.

May the Holy Spirit bless you all.

God Bless
Fr Aleki

New Meeting Times

- **Ladies Scripture Group meeting** - every Monday - 10 am
- **Filipino Mass:** 1st Sunday of month - 4 pm (Next 06 June)
- **Samoan Mass:** 2nd Sunday of month - 11:45 am (Next 13 June)
- **Tongan Mass:** 3rd Sunday of the month - 1 pm (Next 20 June)
- **Youth Mass and Multicultural** alternate on every 4th Sunday of the month

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



Sign-in. Stop the virus.



Diocesan Vacancy:

Full Time Catholic Chaplain for Middlemore Hospital. The Diocese is seeking an experienced and suitably qualified person for a full time Catholic chaplaincy position at Middlemore Hospital and Manukau Super Clinic.

Applicants should ideally have completed or be willing to complete a minimum of one Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) course or equivalent and/or have experience in parish ministry or other relevant chaplaincy ministry position.

Some formation in Catholic Sacramental Theology is essential and candidates must be at least in a multifaith and ethnic environment.

For a full position description, AND OTHER vacancies, please visit the Diocesan website <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/>

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Pope Francis affirms to the "irrevocable" commitment of the Church in promoting unity among Christian Churches. The Diocese is hosting 8 Churches uniting in One House, under One Faith through One Baptism in the One Lord of All to an Ecumenical Prayer Service to be held at Christ The King Catholic Church on **Tuesday 25th May 2021 @7:30PM**. You are all invited to attend and to participate. The service will also be live streaming on SHINE TV and on the various Churches Social Media.

Light refreshments will be provided.



The Maria Assumpta conference of St Vincent de Paul wishes parishioners a holy and happy Pentecost and thanks you for your ongoing support. The Holy Spirit calls us to service in different ways, and if you feel called to serve the poor as a member of the worldwide Society of St Vincent de Paul, please come along after the 8 am Mass on the second and fourth Sundays each month. If you would like to volunteer in one of the shops, please contact the Beach Haven shop (482-3017).

Our foodbank is experiencing a steady demand and we need all forms of non perishable food. We especially need tinned foods and bathroom supplies. Food donations can be left in the basket at the back of the church before Mass on Sundays or you can contact one of us below and we will arrange to collect them from you.

Clothing and household items can be donated at the Ellice Road or Beach Haven shops during shop hours. If you wish to assist us more, or if you know of someone needing assistance, please contact either Chris (020-4139-5170), Charles (022-0242-753), or the Beach Haven shop (482-3017).



Miha Maori at Hato Petera, College Rd Northcote, Saturday evening **12th June, 5.00 pm**. Rosary at 4.30 pm. "Naumai! Haere mai!"

You will receive a booklet of the karakia (prayers) and himene (hymns) of Te Miha (the Mass).

Hot soup with bread/buns provided after Miha. Hope to see you there too!

ACYM For Youth and Young Adult Ministry Updates go to:

www.akyouth.org.nz
www.facebook.com/akcym

Diocesan Youth Mass

Join us for our next Diocesan Youth Mass happening on Sunday, **30th May, 7 pm** at St Patrick's Cathedral. We cannot wait to celebrate the Eucharist alongside you.



Notice of Joshua meeting

Date: Wed 26 May 2021 7.30-9.30pm

Venue: St Joseph Centre, Takapuna

Topic: The Great Commission - Mat. 28. 16-20

Speaker: Anil Baptist

All men are welcome to meet other Catholic men over a cuppa.

We look forward to seeing you there.

To know more contact Russell 022 034 5678.

Training - formation for Lay Leaders of Liturgical Prayer

This training is being offered by the Centre for Liturgy of the Auckland Diocese, in conjunction with the Catholic Theological College. It is to prepare people to lead the Liturgy of the Word. It will take place over 5 Saturdays:

May 22nd, June 5th, 12th 26th and July 3rd, 9.30 – 3.00pm each day (bring your lunch). The venue is the

Pompallier Diocesan Centre, 30 New St Ponsonby (except for June 12th). Participants need to be present at all sessions. To register email: liturgy@cda.org.nz



TITIPOUNAMU Study & Joy

Online Sessions (Evening): The Resurrection of Jesus Christ in the Gospel according to John with Br Kieran Fenn. Monday 24 - and additionally 31 May, 7-8.30pm.

Fee: \$25/session. ZOOM. <https://bit.ly/3v8rJ4T>

Onsite Event: Ancient rock-hewn churches in Ethiopia.

A presentation by Nic Birt in St Mark's Coptic Orthodox church, Birkdale. Saturday, 29 May, 7-9pm. Free.

<https://bit.ly/3v8A7Bl>

For more information and registration:

info@studyjoy.nz



Next Week Ministries	8:00am Mass	10:00am Mass
Welcome/Notices	Liz Anthony	Te Aorere Chan
Ministers Of The Word	Anita Knape Florinda Azavedo	Peteli Setu Sesa Setu
Ministers of Communion	Atela Brahne Vic Peters	Filipina Naititi Talifau Fautua Peter Tevaga
Prayers Of The Faithful	Anne Anderson/ Ray Anderson/r	Ana Tusani
Computer	Chris Simpson	Andrew Gongora
Organist	Filomena Filipo	Ausage Setu Dave Tusani
Counters	Team B (one off change)	Liz Anthony Te Aorere Chan

Next Week READINGS

30 May 2021

First Reading:
Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40

Psalm: 33

Second Reading:
Romans 8:14-17

Gospel:
Matthew 28:16-20

SPECIAL MASSES

Filipino Mass: 1st Sunday of month - 4 pm

Samoan Mass: 2nd Sunday of month - 11:45 am

Tongan Mass: 3rd Sunday of the month - 1 pm

Multicultural Mass: 4th Sunday of every other month. Alternates with Youth Mass - 10 am

Youth Mass: 4th Sunday of every other month. Alternates with Multicultural Mass - 10 am

Maori Mass: 5th Sunday of month - 10 am

Note: Singing Practice: Saturdays after morning Mass. We will advise when this will resume again.

DEVOTIONS

Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist: First Friday mass at 9am follow by adoration up to 12pm

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Youth Group: To be advised

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

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

Multicultural group meeting: To be advised

Finance Committee meeting: 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 pm.

Liturgy Committee meeting: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 7:00 pm.

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

NEWSLETTER:

Do you want the Newsletter via email ?

I send out emails every FRIDAY to the "Newsletter List" I have. If you do not receive these emails and would like too then please email me on mariaassumpta@xtra.co.nz



CDA Connect

Are you wanting to know what is happening in the diocese? CDA Connect is a monthly newsletter concerning happenings in the diocese.



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

Hall Hire fee: \$150 Bond and \$30.00 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