

# 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

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION:**  
Contact Parish priest  
**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** Contact Parish priest

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

## 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 13 June 2021

**First Reading:** Ezekiel 17:22-24  
**Psalm:** 92  
**Second Reading:** 2Corinthians 5:6-10  
**Gospel:** Mark 4:26-34

**Reflection by Fr Aleki Piula**

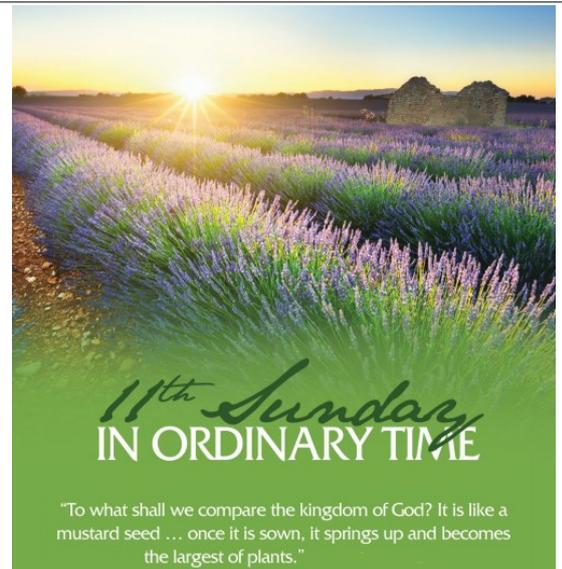
### Small Beginnings

Life calls for a lot of patience and trust. We cannot plant an acorn today and expect to sit in the shade of an oak tree tomorrow. The same holds true for spiritual matters. We must make the effort.

But then we must be patient and trust that God's grace will take over. Today's readings focus on the birth and growth of the reign of God kingdom in our human lives on the growth of the church right from the very beginnings. Both growths are slow and mysterious because it guided by the power of the Holy Spirit. In Mark 4:1-34 we have a collection of parables, most of which deal with the growth of seed. They serve as a commentary on what has been happening in Jesus' proclamation of the kingdom.

In the first reading of Ezekiel, the prophet foretells the fall of Jerusalem. At the same time, he tells of the establishment of a universal kingdom (by the Messiah). It is also about how the Lord God of Israel will allow a descendant of King David to become the Messiah and Saviour of the world.

Psalm 92 sings of Jesus, 'The just will flourish like the psalm tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar'.



*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 the Second reading Paul's priority always is to please the Lord, he has no fears of appearing before him. He also teaches the Corinthians that they are to advance the growth of God's kingdom and His rule in their lives by doing the will of God so that they may be rewarded in the final judgement. In today's Gospel we hear the parable of wheat seed and mustard seed comparing to the growth of the kingdom of God. They both have exceedingly small beginnings. And the growth brought about by God. The parables of the seed that grows by itself and the mustard seed were meant to encourage the early church which was worried about the slow growth of the kingdom.

They were telling the disciples to be patient, to trust, and not to expect instant results. Through the power of God, from small and insignificant beginnings the kingdom will grow into something great.

How do the kingdom of God grow in our own hearts when we do the will of God and surrender our lives to do

### **Announcements :**

PLEASE SCAN in using QR CODE.

- The BNZ has informed us that they would **no longer accept** cheques from **1 July 2021**. If you have been donating by cheque, the weekend of 26/27 June are the last dates.
- Thanks to the finance and liturgy committee for our meetings this week. May God give you healthy life to continue helping out in looking after our parish.
- I encourage here the parents to bring your children to the youth program on every Friday reciting rosary and doing some practice for the Northshore Youth program.
- Thanks here for those who were here to celebrate the feast day of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Friday and the Immaculate Heart of Mary on Saturday. This month is known as the month of the Sacred Heart or I can say the month of the two heart, the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, so when you get the two hearts is enough to live your life.
- I also thank Malcom for doing the design of our sign outside in front the church, it looks beautiful and clean, may God bless you and your family.
- Youth Prayer meeting & activities from 6pm at Parish Hall for the month of June. Contact Emma (0275556075)
- PLEDGE RECEIPTS ARE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH TODAY.
- **TODAY** - Sacramental Programme - 9h30-10h30
- **TODAY** - Samoan Mass - 11:45 am
- **17 June** - PPC Meeting - 7 pm
- **20 June** - Tongan Mass - 1 pm
- **27 June** - Youth Mass
- AGM dates to be announced soon

his will? We have to remember that the seed of faith lies within each of us and when we allow the Holy Spirit to nurture it with the tender loving care then it will grow regularly into a gigantic one.

As we enter into this new week may the kingdom of God alive in our lives during this week.

God Bless  
Fr Aleki



### **New Meeting Times**

- **Ladies Scripture Group meeting** - every Monday - 10 am
- **Filipino Mass:** 1st Sunday of month - 4 pm (Next 04 July)
- **Samoan Mass:** 2nd Sunday of month - 11:45 am (Next 11 July)
- **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.

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



### Homelessness

Explorers' Group at Takapuna Methodist

The focus issue is Homelessness and the Rev Kyle Proven, Chaplain at Large for Lifewise, Methodist Mission Northern, who works with Merge café, the inner city community and street dwellers, will lead the discussion. The next meeting is on Monday **14 June** at 3pm in the TMC lounge, 427 Lake Road, Takapuna.

### High Tea for Haiti

Fundraiser for St Damien Paediatric hospital. Great speakers, entertainment and auction items.

Sunday 4th July, 12.30pm at The Officers Mess in Devonport. Tickets \$89.

Book now at [www.nph-nz.org/events](http://www.nph-nz.org/events) or (09) 216-0635



The Maria Assumpta conference of St Vincent de Paul thanks parishioners for your ongoing support. Do you feel called by the Holy Spirit to live part of your life serving the poor? We need members and volunteers. We need people who to deliver food parcels, collect furniture, staff shops, and listen to and help the poor. For some of these tasks you will need to be available during the day. If you are interested, speak to Charles or Chris, or call one of the shops. You are also welcome to come along to one of our meetings, which happen after the 8 am Mass on the second and fourth Sundays of the month.

You can leave food donations in the basket at the back of the church before Mass on Sundays or you can contact one of us 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).

Love your neighbour as yourself, get vaccinated  
Arohaina koe ki tōu hoa tata, ānō ko koe

### Support the Covid-19 vaccination programme

The FREE Pfizer vaccine is now being offered to members of the public, starting with those most at risk. The Catholic Bishops are urging you to get vaccinated to protect yourself, your whanau and your community. You will also be protecting those who cannot receive the vaccination; those with underlying health conditions who would be at higher risk of catching the virus and young children.

#### **Get vaccinated!**

Arohaina koe ki tōu hoa tata, ānō ko koe, me whai i te rongoā āraimate.

E aro'a atu i to tangata tupu. Aere atu i te patia paruru.

Mahalin mo ang iyong kapwa, magpabakuna.

Ofa ki ho'o kaungā'api, 'o hangē ko ho'o 'ofa kiate koe; huhu malu'i leva.

Afai e te alofa i lou tua'oi, aua ne'i maua le fa'ama'i, ona fai lea o lou tui puipui.



### Day of Prayer for Migrants and Refugees.

Sunday 20th June

It is fitting therefore on that day to hold a concert to raise funds for the people of India where the Coronavirus has caused such devastation. The concert will be presented at St Joseph's Catholic Church, 118 Church St. Otahuhu at 2pm, by the Otahuhu Catholic parish and school communities. The Catholic Bishop of Auckland Bishop Patrick Dunn, who will attend the concert, this concert will make us more aware of what Indian families here and in India are suffering, and it's our small way of supporting them.

Children and young people from the Otahuhu parish of St Joseph, and McAuley High School, De La Salle College and St Joseph's Primary School will take part in the concert, along with other established artists who are generously offering their services. Entry to the concert is by koha (voluntary donation) and will be followed by a sausage sizzle. For more information, contact: Lyndsay Freer Media & Communications, Catholic Diocese of Auckland, Ph. 021-272-489

### Weaving together liturgy and life

'Conference 2021, Worshipping Under Southern Skies - Te Huinga Whakamoemiti kei raro i Te Taki-o-Autahi promises to be a moment of joy, delight and insight along the way of our post-Covid journey. Come!! Let the deep spirituality of the Catholic Church surround, inspire and fill you. Baradene College of the Sacred Heart.

4.00pm 7th – 6.00pm 9th October 2021.

Website <https://wuss.org.nz>

Next Week Ministries	8:00am Mass	10:00am Mass
Welcome/Notices	Sesa Setu	Bill Kilgallon
Ministers Of The Word	Beate Matthies Te Aorere Chan	Tapunuu Lolesio F. Andrew Gongora
Ministers of Communion	Maria Wilcox Janet Monga	Mata'afa Elisaia Tulifau Yeng Bernabe
Prayers Of The Faithful	Liz Anthony/w/r	Julita Seumanutafa
Computer	Christina Setu	Filomena Filipino
Musicians	Anna Tran	Si'uleo Vitale
Counters	Team E	Catarina Tyler Joh Cogle

## Next Week READINGS

20 June 2021

First Reading:  
Job 38:1,8-11

Psalm: 106

Second Reading:  
2Corinthians 5:14-17

Gospel:  
Mark 4:35-41

### SPECIAL MASSES

**Filipino Mass:** 1st Sunday of month - 4 pm

**Samoan Mass:** 2<sup>nd</sup> 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:** 5<sup>th</sup> 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

**Found:** (please contact the Office)

1 Infant Cardigan (grey)

1 pair of trainer socks

### 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**

Should be made ONLINE at:

<https://beachhavencatholic.org.nz/venue-hall-hire-2/>

Hall Hire fee: \$150 Bond and \$30.00 per hour.  
(Hall hire is for all time Hall is used- decorating included)



### 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](mailto: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](mailto:mariaassumpta@xtra.co.nz)