



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

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
17 July 2022

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10
Psalm: 15
Second Reading: Colossians 1:24-28
Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

Reflection by Fr Aleki Piula

Christian life is necessary to have hospitality and listen first to God before acting



Today's readings give us the central theme that hospitality is part of the Christian life with listening first to God before acting. that means setting your priorities right by putting Jesus first then everything else come after, and it is a lesson for all of us to learn how to spend some time every day on setting our life at the feet of Jesus, like Mary the sister of Martha in our today's Gospel. Jesus came to the house of Martha and Mary. Martha got completely carried away by the details of hospitality, but Mary sat at his feet and listened to him. During this Mass we have an opportunity to do what Mary did, namely, spend some time in the presence of the Lord. Let us enliven our faith in his presence among us.

In the first reading Abraham gave hospitality to three strangers he did not know that he was entertaining God himself, who would reward him with good news. So, the hospitality of Sarah and Abraham to angels in the guise of strangers was rewarded by God giving them blessings with a son in their old age. Abraham and Martha had the privilege of welcoming the Lord into their homes.

**If you're sick,
please stay HOME**

We need not envy their privilege for all of us can have the doors of our lives open to welcome the Lord.



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

As saint Paul says in today's second reading, the exciting secret of our religion is Christ among us, our hope or glory. Elsewhere he wrote that our bodies are God's temples.

Psalm 15 says, 'He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord'. It is a song of pilgrims ascending the hill before entering the temple. The remainder of the psalm is a challenging examination of conscience which is as valid today as in the past.

In the Second reading Saint Paul is a minister of the good news of the calling of the Gentiles to salvation, suffers for his converts. He invites us to cultivate that quality of hospitality which welcomes all others in Christ. He showed the Colossians that the power of God that is in Christ affects the whole world order through the proclamation of the Good News by the Church. It is the work of the Church and Paul to reveal the Mystery, the Divine plan of salvation, long hidden and now made known.

In today's Gospel, we hear the contrasts Martha's activity and Mary's quite devotion to the Lord. It is a set of scene for Martha and Mary who welcome Jesus to their home. It is not that what Martha does is unimportant. It has just that Mary has chosen something even more important. Her priority is to listen to the word of Jesus. It is a parable in action as we hear the story of Martha and Mary. Mary is more of contemplation. Both are necessary and must be integrated into the life of a Christian. Martha like a genuine child of Abraham, wanted to extend the traditional generous hospitality of her people to Jesus, by preparing meal for him while her sister Mary spent her time talking to Jesus and listening to him, that is it invites us to serve people with Martha after recharging our spiritual batteries in everyday prayer, by listening to God and talking to God as Mary did. And we can only truly minister to the need of others after welcoming God's word into our minds and hearts. Martha is the patron saint of waiters and waitresses. We only extend our service to others when we first welcome God's word into our mind and hearts. A faith attitude, a welcome given to God, the reaction of those who are open to the world and to life, who recognize the signs of God's coming in their lives.

God Bless, Fr Aleki

Parish registration— PAPER Form

A paper form is now available at the back of the church.

If you cannot do this online then please complete it on the paper sheet and leave in the office letter box to be captured, thanks.



North Shore Regional Starlight Talent Showcase

*OUR **Youth GROUP is performing** at this Talent Show.
BOOK YOUR TICKETS NOW and come and support them.
\$5 online or \$10 at the door.*

*30 July 2022 | Doors open at 6:30pm at
Rosmini College
Book Here:*

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/starlight-2022-tickets-358216584447>



Announcements :

- **PLEASE register with Our Parish online OR complete the paper form at the back of the church and pop it into the office letterbox.**
- Thanks to Julita, Susanna, Emma and Ifo and all parents who support this practise for the starlight by bringing your children. We have only one week left before the children go back to school.
- No Multicultural Mass or Youth Mass this month due to Star light performance.
- There is a safeguarding workshop on 26 July at 7pm at Takapuna especially for those who volunteer working with the youth, giving communion to the sick, those who doing ministry in our parish.
- We are still asking for some who volunteers to be readers or minister of the Eucharist, we will have a training soon please for those who want to be a minister of the holy Eucharist you contact Pat Lythe and for those who want to be reader you can contact Suzie McCarthy.
- **Finance Committee** - 7 pm Tues (09 Aug)
- **Liturgy Committee** - 7 pm Wed (10 Aug)
- **PPC Meeting** - 7 pm Thurs (21 July)
- **Liturgy of the Word** - every Monday - 9 am
- **Multicultural Mass** - 10 am (28 Aug)
- **Filipino Mass:** 1st Sunday - 4 pm (07 Aug)
- **Samoan Mass:** 2nd Sunday - 11:45 am (14 Aug)
- **Tongan Mass:** 3rd Sunday - 1 pm (TODAY)



PLEASE Register with us

THANK YOU to the first **62 Families** who have already registered, fantastic.

Registration link is below:
<https://bit.ly/3GfSsBX>



No Internet Access? Please come into the office so we can assist you in completing this registration online.



Online Sessions—1:30 pm:

Will resume on 7 Aug,
Sunday at 1:30 pm

<https://bit.ly/3nJoXRN>
Meeting ID: 889 2372 7 693
Passcode: 701471



Golden Jubilee
Labour Weekend.
22-24 October, 2022.

ONLINE registration NOW OPEN

<https://beachhavencatholic.org.nz/jubilee-registration/>



Or

<https://bit.ly/3yel1xk>



If you need support, or a food parcel, please contact Charles (022 0242 753). 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.

If you can, please join our friendly team at either Beach Haven or Glenfield. Volunteering can be so rewarding! Contact Janet on 022-356-3811 or

Janetlee.vinnies@gmail.com



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).

MINISTERS OF THE WORD (Readers)

There will be a training session on Saturday, 30 July, 10.30-12.00 in the church for people interested in joining this ministry. Current Ministers of the Word are asked to attend as a refresher because your mandates expire in September this year.

Intention to attend would be appreciated to Suzie: 021 031 7388 or
patsuzie@slingshot.co.nz

Pledge Envelopes

The new pledge envelopes are available at the back of the church.

Please use these from Sunday 3 July.

Enquiries are invited for a **21-day pilgrimage to Israel, Jordan and Palestine**, leaving on **May 2, 2023**. It will be led by Pat McCarthy, former editor of NZ Catholic, with Fr Chris Denham, dean of St Patrick's Cathedral, Auckland, as chaplain. Email Pat on patsuzie@slingshot.co.nz.



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Thanks to all those who have been supplying the contact details of previous parishioners. Please continue with if possible an email address or a postal one. There is a sheet at the back of the Church for you to write these if you can't send them to me. (patlythe@gmail.com)

Another little story from way back. The land behind the church was intended by Archbishop Liston for a school. However as the area was already well served with primary schools, the Education Dept ruled that out.

Red & Joan Cory leased it to grow flowers for sale by and then as a fund raising exercise we planted pine trees to sell at Christmas time. That worked really well, but a few of them got away on us, hence the huge trees which had to be cut down when finally the land was going to be developed.

You'll be able to read the rest of the land saga in the souvenir booklet which will be on sale at the Jubilee for \$10.00.

There are lots of interesting stories to be told. What can you add? Let us know, so that we can include them in the celebrations.

Next Week Ministries	8:00am Mass	10:00am Mass
Welcome/Notices	Beate Matthies	Sesalina Setu
Ministers Of The Word	Florinda Azavedo Tuan Nguyen	Suzie McCarthy Elizabeth O'Reilly
Ministers of Communion	Liz Anthony	Pat McCarthy
Prayers Of The Faithful	Vic Peters	Andrew Congora
Computer	Chris Simpson	Filomena Filipo
Musicians	Anna Tran	Ausage Fa'aoso Setu
Counters	Team C	Stephen Chmiel Sela Capel

Next Week READINGS

24 July 2022

First Reading:
Genesis 18:20-32

Psalm: 138

Second Reading:
Colossians 2:12-14

Gospel:
Luke 11:1-13

SPECIAL MASSES

- Filipino Mass:** 1st Sunday of month - 4 pm
Samoa 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.- 10 am
Youth Mass: 4th Sunday of every other month. - 10 am
Maori Mass: 5th Sunday of month - 10 am
Note: Singing Practice: Saturdays after morning Mass.
Monday: 9.00 am Liturgy of the Word

DEVOTIONS

Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist: To be advised

PARISH ACTIVITIES

- Youth Group:** To be advised
NSSCC Fono: 4th Sunday of the month, 11.30am – 3.00pm
Enea Ola Group - Zumba : Every Tuesday, 6pm in hall. To be advised
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 ?

PLEASE register with the church online here:

<https://beachhavencatholic.org.nz/parishioner-registration/>



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/>

Parishioners: Hall Hire fee: \$150 Bond and \$25.00 per hour.
NON Parishioners: Hall Hire: \$350 Bond.
 (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, Marc Theron
 Ph: 021-119-1397 or email:
secretary@mariaassumpta.org.nz

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: secretary@mariaassumpta.org.nz