

Maria Assumpta Parish Bulletin

MARIA ASSUMPTA CATHOLIC CHURCH
198 Beach Haven Road, Auckland 0626
www.beachhavencatholic.org.nz

SUNDAY MASS: 8am, 10am
RECONCILIATION: Saturday 10am-12pm
WEEKDAY MASS: 9am - Tuesday to Saturday

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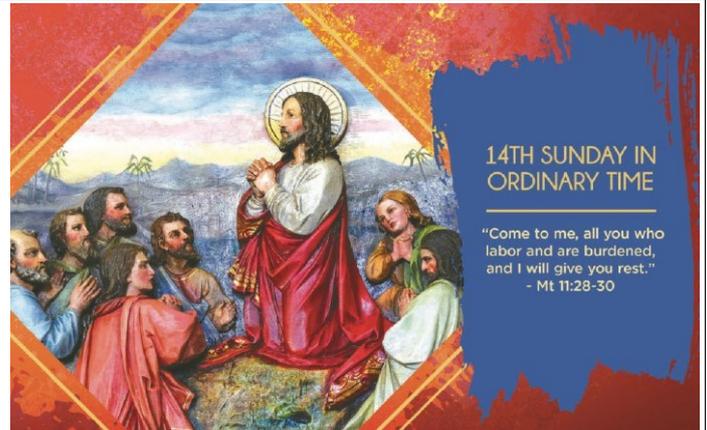
PARISH OFFICE HOURS: CLOSED until 17 July

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
09 July 2023

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10
Psalm: 89
Second Reading: Romans 8:9,11-13
Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

Reflection by Fr Aleki Piula

**Come to Me, all who are weary and labour
for I am gentle and humble in heart**



At times all of us find life burdensome. But today we hear the powerful message: 'Take my yoke...and you will find rest'. Here, Jesus invites us to bring our burdens to him and he will give us rest. Let us come to him now in a spirit of love and trust.

In the first reading of prophet Zechariah that the messianic king is portrayed, not as a proud warrior, but as a humble and gentle champion of peace for all peoples. Zechariah consoles the Jews living in Palestine under Greek rule, promising them a 'meek' Messianic king of peace riding on a donkey who will give them rest and liberty.

Psalm 145 sings, 'I will praise your name forever, my king and my God'. This psalm invites us to return praise for the kindness and compassion of God. Ponder prayerfully on these qualities of God. The Lord is kind...full of compassion.... slow to anger.... abounding in love.... good to all.... compassionate to all his creatures...faithful in all his words. loving in all his deeds.

In the second reading from a letter of saint Paul to the Roman, he reminds the Romans about the two heavy yoke that is the flesh and the spirit. and he challenges them to reject the heavy and fatal yoke of the flesh and accept the light yoke of the Spirit of Jesus. Paul contrasts life in the spirit with life in the flesh.

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

**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, Jesus reveals the Father to those who are 'little' and lightens the burdens of those who are humble. The invitation of Jesus goes out to all who are burdened to come to him, and he will give him rest. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down. Here, Jesus offers rest to those 'who labour and are burdened' if they will accept his 'easy yoke and light burden'. By declaring that his 'Yoke is light', Jesus means that whatever God sends us is made to fit our needs and our abilities exactly. Jesus claims that his burden is light, that means it is laid on us in love, and that love makes even the heaviest burden light. I will bless your name forever, O God, my King. We are invited today to come to Jesus those who are feeling overburdened or trouble as a child would turn to a loving parent. We will find true rest for our souls. How can we learn from Jesus who is gentle and humble of heart? How can we live this humble dependency on God and turn to him? Let us put our yoke alone with Christ and the strength that comes from him.

In God bless. Fr. Aleki

Announcements :

MAORI & PASIFIKA TECH SCHOLARSHIPS

1. Inspire Scholarships.

These scholarships are designed to grow Māori and Pasifika future tech leaders and unlock the immense potential of tech talent in Aotearoa New Zealand. We have 30 scholarships available for our Full Stack Developer accelerator starting on 31 July.

<https://www.missionreadyhq.com/impact-initiatives/>

2. Wellington Impact Scholarships.

Coming to Wellington with our 100% Impact Scholarship cohort in October, for those who identify as a woman and/or of Māori or Pasifika descent and/or facing financial hardship. 25 scholarships available through all of our accelerators.

3. Future Tech Leaders – Career Exploration and Development Certification: FEES FREE for first time tertiary learners

Whilst all our Tech Career programmes are accessible for free to first time tertiary learners, we are particularly excited about launching a new programme for high school leavers to enable them to explore, and find a suitable tech career through our fast track programmes. If you know a school leaver struggling to find the right career this could be the right fit for them. Learn more about this programme here:

<https://www.missionreadyhq.com/future-tech-leaders/>

Inspire Scholarships here:

<https://www.missionreadyhq.com/impact-initiatives/>

Wellington Impact Scholarships

<https://www.missionreadyhq.com/wellington-scholarships>

- **PLEASE register with Our Parish online OR complete the paper form at the back of the church and pop it into the office letterbox.**
- We still only have **7 children signed up so far** for the Sacramental programme so please can you sign up to the program thanks. PLEASE register online. <https://bit.ly/3KzAYG2>
- I thank here to Bill and Stephanie, and Caitlyn, the young daughter of Marc, Ifo, and the grandchildren, Tivise, and Tioa all those who help out to preparing cup of tea and meal for the meeting of the Northshore Deanery last Tuesday morning I pray may God bless you and give you rest.
- Altar server, Ana already make up the list for this month, if you want to see you name come and see in the sacristy.
- Still want some candidate from Filipino and Tonga to join our PPC members, if you want to volunteer, see Bill, Fr Aleki or one of the PPC members.
- If anyone want to volunteer for a Eucharistic minister, please see Ana Tusani, Pat Lythe or Fr Aleki later we will do a training.
- Our Altar servers Ana already write a list for the serving at 10 o clock mass for this month.
- **Music Meeting** - 10:30 am Tuesday after first Sunday every month (08 Aug)
- **AGM** - 11 am Sun (23 July)
- **Finance Committee** - 7 pm Tues (11 July)
- **Liturgy Committee** - 7 pm Wed (12 July)
- **PPC Meeting** - 7 pm Wed (19 July)
- **Liturgy of the Word** - every Monday - 9 am, with Communion.
- **Multicultural Mass** - 10 am (23 July)
- **Youth Mass** - 10 am (23 July)
- **Maori Mass** - 10 am (30 July)
- **Filipino Mass:** 1st Sunday - 4 pm (06 Aug)
- **Samoan Mass:** 2nd Sunday - 11:45 (TODAY)
- **Tongan Mass:** 3rd Sunday - 12 pm (16 July)





PLEASE Register with us

THANK YOU to the first **113** 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 or grab a form at the back of the Church.

Parish has a NEW Bank Account Number

This change was necessary to comply with the latest banking regulations.

Account Number: Maria Assumpta Parish Account:

02-0108-0708609-000

MATARIKI KI TE WHENUA ROA © KAHU



Matariki is a time for remembrance, celebrating the present and looking to the future.

Many school holiday events/crafts in Kaipatiki noted on our Website here: <https://bit.ly/3PLxMJJ>



De Paul House Transitional housing and family support.

Food Bank Depleted! Can you help? Our shelves are looking bare in most products.

With disasters now coming in twos the need for food and bed clothing, in particular new pillows and single duvets, has doubled. Foodstuffs – med-large tins of tuna/salmon/tinned corned beef, pasta sauces, meal sauces, tea, coffee, milo, long-life milk, biscuits, crackers, muesli bars, cereal, rice, jam, honey, peanut butter.

Personal care – shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, toilet paper.

Household – laundry and dishwashing liquid, spray and wipe. Donations can be **dropped off at De Paul House Office** at 92-96 Onewa Rd, Northcote.

Contact reception@depaulhouse.org.nz 09-480-5959

PLEASE NOTE:

Items left in the baskets at the back of the church do not go to De Paul House and that the food for St Vincent de Paul needs to be **non-perishable**.



Thank you everyone for your ongoing support of the Maria Assumpta conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul. If you need support, or a food parcel, please contact Charles (022 0242 753), Chris (020 4139 5170) or the Beach Haven Shop (482 3017).

Our foodbank always needs donations of non-perishable groceries and household goods. At the moment, we especially need breakfast foods, lunch items, bathroom groceries, snack foods for children, and household cleaning products. Donations can be left in the basket at the back of the church before Mass on Sundays.

Why not volunteer to help out at our Vinnies Charity shops, even for an hour or two once a week would be wonderful.

Our oldest volunteer is 87 and our youngest is 14 so age is no barrier! Contact Mel at the Beach Haven shop (482 3017)

We welcome new members, please contact Charles or Chris if you are interested.

If you wish to support us financially, donations can be left in the box at the rear of the church or you can contribute using internet banking (a/c number 12-3035-0514670-00). Please make sure that you put your name on the envelope or in the reference field.

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Kiaora M.A.Y.A,

StarLight 2023

Have you thought of joining.



Maria Assumpta Young Adults group and youth events?

Have you thought about taking part in the up coming youth event yet?, the 'Starlight' (22nd July)

Let Julita know if you're interested, time is ticking and we only have 2 weeks to go.

Ulu Tonu Mai Pacific 2023

Nau mai, haere mai! Turou Oro Mai! Mauri! Afio Mai! Mālō e lava mai! Fakaue oue tulou! Ni sa bula!

Ulu tonu mai Pacific
Open day for Pacific families and communities

Date: Wednesday 5 July 2023
Time: 1-4pm
Venue: Whitireia Campus
3 Wi Neera Drive, Elsdon, Porirua
Learning Street, Wikitoria Katene Building

The Open Day will include information workshops and current students and tutors available to assist with your questions, queries, or concerns.

Next Week Ministries	8:00am Mass	10:00am Mass
Welcome/Notices	Charles Grinter	Ana Tusani
Ministers Of The Word	Sesalina Setu Te Aorere Chan	Stephen Chmiel Filomena Naititi
Ministers of Communion	Vic Peters	Iulia Naititi
Prayers Of The Faithful	Christiana Setu	Ifo Ah Kuoi
Computer	Chris Simpson	Andrew Gongora
Musicians	Ausage Fa'aoso Setu	Si'uloe Vitale
Counters	Team C	Sela Capel Stephen Chmiel

Next Week READINGS

16 July 2023

First Reading:
Isaiah 55:10-11

Psalm: 65

Second Reading:
Romans 8:18-23

Gospel:
Matthew 13:1-23

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.- 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
Enua 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 Wednesday of the month 7.00pm.

FREE!
TAKE ONE



The latest issue in your church Sunday July 2

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