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**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** Contact Office

**Parish Office: 09-483-5919**

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

## Compassion and Forgiveness

WHAT DOES  
IT COST US  
TO SAY,  
'MY GOD  
HELP ME!  
HAVE MERCY  
ON ME!'  
IS THERE  
ANYTHING  
EASIER  
THAN THIS?

— ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI

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***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 a letter of saint Paul to the Romans, the entire existence of a Christian is for Christ and for others. Paul reminds us that we have to forgive others because we belong to Christ who, by his own example in forgiving those who killed Him taught us how we must forgive in our turn. Since we are human as related to each other's as brothers and sisters of Jesus, so we are in the God's family so that hatred and bitterness toward anyone should have no place in our own hearts.

In today's Gospel, we must be willing to extend to others the generous forgiveness God has extended to us. In today's Parable Jesus teaches us that there should be no limit to our forgiveness and no conditions attached to our reconciliation. Peter thinks to forgive his brother is seven times but Jesus replies is seventy-seven times that means there is to be no end of forgiveness in the Kingdom (Matthew 18:24). We commit sins every day, and we need God's forgiveness every day. So, we must forgive in order to be forgiven. In the Lord's Prayer Jesus teaches us 'for if you forgive men their trespasses, your Heavenly Father also will forgive you'.

Have a blessed Sunday, God bless Fr. Aleki.



#### Maori Proverb:

"He mahi takitini tāku mahi, ehara i te mahi takitahi."

"My efforts were the efforts of many, not just of one."

"He toa takitini tāku toa, ehara i te toa takitahi."

"My courage was the courage of many, not just of one."



Birkdale Beach Haven  
**Community Project Inc**  
We Belong Here | Nō konei ake tātou

### Kids at #134 September School Holiday Program

Our kids holiday program is open for bookings!

We have some awesome activities lined up for these holidays, including a nature day hosted by Pest-Free Kaipātiki & Friends of Shepherd's Park, and a visit from St John's!

The sewing ladies will be running a 'Zenki' toy sewing workshop, we are going to get excited about Halloween a tad early, do lots of craft, sport, baking and lots more!

Every day we have a mixture of activities on offer for the tamariki - the only thing that is 'compulsory' is to have fun!

Last holidays we booked out on several days quite early - so please book asap to reserve your place!

Follow this link for bookings:

<https://kids134.aimyplus.com>

We look forward to seeing you there!

### 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.
- ELECTIONS (1-14 Oct) Hall, Kitchen, meeting room NOT AVAILABLE for any reason.
- There will be a Working Bee on Saturday 30 September to tidy up the church grounds please bring your gardening tools.
- Book the Date: 21 October Working Bee - tidy up for first Holy Communion and Confirmation.
- There will be a Training Session for new and current Ministers of the Eucharist on Saturday 7 October at 10.15am in the Church.
- Thanks for those parents and altar servers who attend of the welcome of Michael Coats, Michael is volunteer to look after you in training I encourage everyone altar servers to be available for this thanks.

### Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College

Now accepts enrolment for the Bachelor of Divinity and Graduate Diploma in Theology starting September 25.

"With a dedicated and qualified faculty of theologians, and access to a wealth of resources, our program will empower you to critically analyse complex theological issues, foster spiritual growth, and prepare you for a meaningful career in ministry, education, or other fields where a profound understanding of theology is invaluable."

To learn more about the programmes, go to [www.tekupenga.ac.nz/programmes](http://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/programmes).



### PLEASE Register with us

THANK YOU to the first **117** 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

Account Number: Maria Assumpta Parish Account:

**02-0108-0708609-000**

### Season for the Care of Creation runs from 1 Sep to 4 Oct, Feast of St Francis of Assisi

Almighty and Everliving God, you bring forth and sustain every living thing; help us grow in compassion and care for the multitude of your creatures, that we may see them not as objects for our use, but as brothers and sisters that sing your never-ending praise. We make this prayer through Christ Our Lord. Amen

**NORTH SHORE DOVE FELLOWSHIP** meeting this month will be on SATURDAY, 23rd September, 9:30 a.m. to midday at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 7 Glendale Road, Glen Eden.

NO MORNING MASS. Morning tea will be provided.

SPEAKER: PAM WOOD. Topic: OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART, LORD. Scripture: John 9:6-7 For more info: Please contact Nicola Lee [nicolaelizabeth65@gmail.com](mailto:nicolaelizabeth65@gmail.com)



### **TITIPOUNAMU Study & Joy**

Online Sessions (Evening):

Women in the Bible with Kieran Fenn fms.

Mondays, 18 Sep, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.

Fee: \$20/session. All sessions are connect but also stand alone.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/07/10/women-in-the-bible/>

Liturgical Spaces with Prof Thomas O'Loughlin.

Series on Muffin Talk radio programme freely available online at:

<https://bit.ly/3ON3YM1>

Info - registration: [info@studyjoy.nz](mailto:info@studyjoy.nz)



### De Paul House Transitional housing and family support.

**Food Bank Depleted!** Can you help?

Our shelves are looking bare in most products.

Donations can be dropped off at De Paul House Office at 92-96 Onewa Rd, Northcote.

Contact [reception@depaulhouse.org.nz](mailto:reception@depaulhouse.org.nz) 09-480-5959

### About the Mass

#### Liturgy of the Eucharist

The term "Eucharist" originates from the Greek word eucharistia, meaning thanksgiving. In the celebration of the Eucharist, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and the instrumentality of the priest.

The **Liturgy of the Eucharist** consists of three sections: the Preparation of the Gifts, the Eucharistic Prayer, and Communion. We might describe these as setting the table for the meal, saying the blessing, and sharing the meal together.

The **Preparation of the Gifts** has rich symbolic meaning. Here the bread and wine and our monetary donations and food gifts for the poor serve as symbols of ourselves. The priest and servers prepare the altar, symbolically extinguishing the lit candles at the lectern and transferring the light to the candles on the altar.

Members of the parish take up a collection from the assembly and bring it to the priest at the altar with the bread and wine to be used for the sacrifice. Our giving symbolizes our commitment to give our whole lives to God and to use all the gifts God has given us. The peoples' presentation of the gifts reminds us that we are all involved in this act of worship, presider and assembly together. The celebrant blesses and praises God for these gifts and places them on the altar. Just as the gifts and the altar are prepared, so we prepare ourselves to enter into the great blessing prayer and the meal that is to follow.



Thank you for your ongoing support of the Maria Assumpta conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul. We welcome new members and particularly need people to assist with Friday bread deliveries and delivering food parcels. If you think you could spare an hour or so each month, please contact Charles or Chris. 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.

If you need support, or a food parcel, please contact Charles (022 0242 753), Chris (020 4139 5170) or the Vinnies Shop (482 3017). Our foodbank needs donations of non-perishable groceries and household goods. Any donations of non-perishable food are needed at the moment. 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. We need people to sort donations, price goods, and stock the shops with toys, books, clothing, and footwear. Even helping 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 Vinnies shop (482 3017) for more information.



Next Week Ministries	8:00am Mass	10:00am Mass
Welcome/Notices	Pat Lythe	Anthony Davids
Ministers Of The Word	Tuan Nguyen Te Aorere Chan	Mohan Samuel Andrew Gongora
Ministers of Communion	Atela Brahne	Maria Taualofa'i
Prayers Of The Faithful	Charles Grinter	MC
Computer	Filomena Filipo	Filomena Filipo
Musicians	Ana Tran	Ausage Fa'aoso Setu
Counters	Team D	Chris Simpson Stephen Chmiel

## Next Week READINGS

24 September 2023

First Reading:  
Isaiah 55:6-9

Psalm: 145

Second Reading:  
Philippians 1:20-24,27

Gospel:  
Matthew 20:1-16

## 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.- 10 am  
**Youth Mass:** 4th Sunday of every other month. - 10 am  
**Maori Mass:** 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of month - 10 am  
**Note: Singing Practice: Saturdays after morning Mass.**

**Monday:** 9.00 am Liturgy of the Word

- **Music Meeting** - 10:30 am Tuesday after first Sunday every month (07 Nov)
- **Finance Committee** - 7 pm Tues (17 Oct)
- **Liturgy Committee** - 7 pm Wed (11 Oct)
- **PPC Meeting** - 7 pm Wed (18 Oct)
- **Liturgy of the Word** - every Monday - 9 am, with Communion.
- **Multicultural Mass** - 10 am (24 Sep)
- **Youth Mass** - 10 am (22 Oct)
- **Maori Mass** - 10 am (29 Oct)
- **Filipino Mass:** 1st Sunday - 4 pm (01 Oct)
- **Samoan Mass:** 2nd Sunday - 11:45 (**08 Oct - HALL NOT AVAILABLE**)
- **Tongan Mass:** 3rd Sunday - 12 pm (TODAY)

**FREE!**  
**TAKE ONE**



## 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 \$20.00 / 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](mailto: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](mailto:secretary@mariaassumpta.org.nz)