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# Maria Assumpta Parish Bulletin

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

## Creating a vibrant community that encourages participation and involvement for all

SUNDAY MASS: 8am, 10am MARRIAGE PREPARATION:

**RECONCILIATION**: Saturday 10am-12pm Contact Parish priest

WEEKDAY MASS: 9am - Tuesday to Saturday BAPTISM PREPARATION: Contact Office

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent 25 February 2024

First Reading: Gensis 22:1-2,9-13,15-18

**Psalm: 116** 

Second Reading: Romans 8:31-34

Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

Reflection by Fr Aleki Piula

**Transfiguration** 

On Mount Tabor, Jesus' disciples got a glimpse of the glory that

was his as the Son of God. It was a wonderful experience for this three, so much so that Peter stood up on behalf of the disciples saying: 'Lord, it is good for us to be here'. And it is good for us to be here this time, because we get a glimpse of our own glory, for we too are children of God.

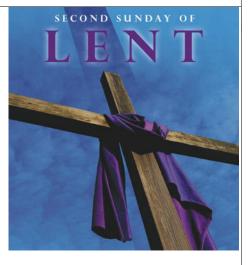
In the first reading from the book of Gensis, shows how complete was Abraham's obedience to God.

Psalm 116 sings, 'I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living'.

in the seconding reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans, since God is on our side, we can face anything.

In today's Gospel we hear on mount Tabor three apostles got a glimpse of the glory that was Jesus as the Son of God. Jesus revealed his heavenly glory superior to Moses and Elijah on the mountain of Transfiguration. Firstly, this transfiguration allows him to consult his Heavenly Father

and ascertain His plan for His Son's suffering, death and resurrection.

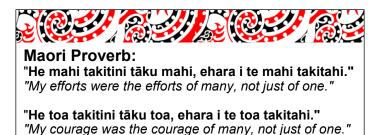


Welcome - Malo e lelei - Bula Vinaka - Talofa lava - Mabuhay - Bienvenue Nei hou ma - Anneunghaseyo - Ayu Bowan - Willkommen - Welkom Haere mai! Nau mai! Whakatau mai! Secondly was to make Jesus' chosen disciples aware of his divine glory, so that they might discard their worldly ambitions and dreams of a conquering political Messiah and also strengthened them in their time of trials. Thirdly, was to give Jesus the conviction that he will continue to be the Son of God, his loving Father, even during his suffering and death.

Finally, here, In Jesus' transfiguration, Mark's Gospel gives us a glimpse of the Heavenly glory waiting for those who do God's will by putting their totally trusting faith in Him.

What the challenge is that to experience of tasting heaven on earth so that we can face the challenges of the cross in our own life. Lord transforms us.

Have a blessed Sunday, God bless Fr. Aleki.







# School of Synodality

Free online lectures in March: "Toward a Constitutively Synodal Church."

https://formaciononline.bc.edu/en/home/

Form yourself and learn for free with our courses, at your own pace, without restrictions or time limitations.

#### **Announcements:**

- PLEASE register with Our Parish online OR <u>complete the paper form</u> at the back of the church and pop it into the office letterbox.
- Hall Back Room The back room is cluttering up. at the PPC it was agreed to call parishioners to remove their property as a <u>clear-out is</u> <u>planned</u>. If you use the Hall Back room can you please action this thanks
- Thanks for the liturgy committee for our meeting and get ready for the holy week.
- The Samoan choir decided to celebrate their own patron saint, Saint Archangel Michael on the 29th of September this year, that is the fifth Sunday of September then Samoan mass will be shift to the fifth Sunday of the September due to the first time celebrating of the Samoan choir's patron saint.
- Parish reconciliation on 22nd Friday of March at 7pmthen the station of the cross will be start at 6pm.
- It was good among attending our first Friday Station of the Cross last week, I encourage everyone to attend as part of your Lenten walking will be on Friday at 7pm.
- Altar servers can we have a meeting prepare for our holy week with Michael Coat after 10 o clock mass thanks.
- <u>EASTER</u> Ministers We are beginning to plan the Liturgies of Holy Week – could Ministers of the Word and Ministers of the Eucharist please let Ana know if you are not available that week.
- I remind everyone parishioners to register with the Parish, so, that, you can have an advantage of using our hall for \$10 per hour with a bond for \$100.



# **PLEASE Register with us**

THANK YOU to the first **126** Families who have already registered, fantastic.

Registration link is below: <a href="https://bit.ly/3GfSsBX">https://bit.ly/3GfSsBX</a>

**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.

Help save lives this Lent by prayer, fasting, and public witness to the sanctity of all human life from the first moment of existence at conception. Find out how to get involved here:

www.fli.org.nz/4odaysforlife

Or contact Simon – 021 400 729 or simon@fli.org.nz

# Caritas AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND

## **Lenten Giving Packs**

Donation Envelopes are at the back of the Church.

You may either return your donation envelopes during the parish offertory collection, or send them to Caritas directly. A free post envelope is available for this option. NZ Post specifies that cash must not be sent through the post.

Please <u>**DO INCLUDE contact details**</u>, such as name, address and email details, so that we can send you a tax receipt. Alternatively, you can donate online by visiting www.caritas.org.nz and pay by credit card or make a direct transfer to Caritas' bank account.

Donations received in these envelopes by 31st March will be sent a receipt for the 2023/2024 tax year. Donations received after 1st April will be sent a receipt for the 2024/2025 tax year. Thank you for your generous support.

# TITIPOUNAMU Study & Joy

Online Sessions (Evening):

Bible Stories - What do they mean?

Join us in unravelling Bible stories and looking for answers within a group, and with Bible Scholar Kieran Fenn fms. Sundays, 03 Mar, 07 Apr, 05 May 2024, 5-6pm (Zoom). Koha.

https://bit.ly/3ugeJ3L

The Mystery of Miracles

Mondays, 08/15/22/29 April 2024, 7-8.30pm \$25/session or \$80/series, incl. study material.

#### https://bit.ly/3Hyu9BS

The Stations of the Cross - Reflections on Wood Carvings.
Available in English and Samoan. \$7 incl. postage
<a href="https://bit.ly/48rLlnG">https://bit.ly/48rLlnG</a>

Info - registration: info@studyjoy.nz



Thank you 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) or the Vinnies Shop (482 3017).

Our foodbank always needs donations of non-perishable groceries and household goods. At the moment, we especially need breakfast foods, canned food, lunch items, and pasta. 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 giving 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.

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. 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.



## Gathering to pray for our city

Thursday 24 October 2024 | Eden Park Join with church, NGO, mission, business, and other Christian leaders from across the city for our annual Auckland Prayer Breakfast!

Get tickets now! \$35 Super Early Bird closes on Friday 1 March https://prayerbreakfast.nz/auckland/

# JOSHUA CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

#### **NORTH SHORE**

others in a spirit of learning, camaraderie, prayer and fellowship. And a special welcome to those who we have not seen for some time. We look forward to your presence.

Date: 28 Feb 2024 - 7.30pm-9.30pm

New Venue: St Thomas More Catholic Church,

336 Wairau Road, Glenfield, Auckland Speaker: Fr Carl Telford SM Topic: Fostering a strong Prayer Habit Private Confession would be available on request.



# <u>De Paul House Transitional housing</u> <u>and family support.</u>

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

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

Contact <u>reception@depaulhouse.org.nz</u> og-480-5959

Next Week Ministries	8:00am Mass	10:00am Mass
Welcome/Notices	Charles Grinter	Bill Kilgallon
Ministers Of The Word	Therese Corpuz Te Aorere Chan	Anthony Davids Julita Seumanutafa
Ministers of Communion	Liz Anthony Maria Wilcox	Mata'afa Elisaia Tulifau Filipina Tulifau
Prayers Of The Faithful	Anthony Davids	Julita Seumanutafa
Computer	ТВА	Andrew Gongora
Musicians	Filomena Filipo	Si'uleo Vitale
Counters	Team A	Andrew Gongora Yeng Bernabe/ Gemma Nivera

#### **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 - 12 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 (05 Mar)
- Finance Committee 7 pm Tues (12 Mar)
- Liturgy Committee 7 pm Wed (13 Mar)
- **PPC Meeting** 7 pm Wed (20 Mar)
- Liturgy of the Word every Monday 9 am, with Communion.
- Multicultural Mass 10 am (TBC)
- Youth Mass 10 am (25 Feb)
- Maori Mass 10 am (TBC)
- Filipino Mass: 1st Sunday 4 pm (03 Mar)
- Samoan Mass: 2nd Sunday 11:45 (10 Mar)
- Tongan Mass: 3rd Sunday 12 pm (17 Mar)

# FREE!

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## Next Week READINGS

03 March 2023

First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

Psalm: 95

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2,5-8

Gospel: John 4:5-42

#### **NEWSLETTER:**

Do you want the Newsletter via email?

PLEASE register with the church online here:

https:// beachhavencatholic.org.nz/parishionerregistration/



#### **CDA Connect**

Are you wanting to know what is hap-

pening in the diocese? CDA Connect is a monthly newsletter concerning happenings in the diocese.



#### HALL HIRE

All bookings MUST be made **ONLINE** 

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

Registered Parishioners: Hall Hire fee: \$100 Bond and \$10.00 / hour.

NON Parishioners: Hall Hire: \$350 Bond. \$25.00 / 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, 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