



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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION:
Contact Parish priest
BAPTISM PREPARATION: Contact Office

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: CLOSED 29 March—OPEN 8 April 2024

^{2nd} **Sunday of Easter**
07 April 2024

First Reading: Acts 4:32-35
Psalm: 118
Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6
Gospel: John 20:19-31

Reflection by Fr Aleki Piula



Reason supports what scripture tells us: Jesus is indeed risen

Today's Sunday is known as Divine Mercy Sunday, we hear from today's Gospel saying, 'I AM sending you'. So, we gather for Eucharist each Sunday the risen Lord comes among us and offers us his gift of peace. So, our celebration gives us joy and strengthens our faith. But we don't stay inside the church and lock it there, at the end of Mass we are sent out, commissioned to bring the love and mercy of Christ to all who continue to bear in their bodies the wounds of crucifixion.

In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, this reading gives us a picture of how the first Christians lived community.

Psalm 118 sings, 'Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting'.

In the second reading from the first letter of saint John, Christians are children of God, and show their love for God by keeping his commandments.

In today's Gospel, When Thomas touched the wounds of Jesus, his's doubt was turned into faith.

After eight days from his resurrection Jesus appears to his disciples showing them his wounds and bestowing peace on them.

**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!**

And he entrusts his mission to them, by giving them the gift of the Holy Spirit and the power of forgiveness of sin. Then Thomas professes his faith, 'My Lord and my God', We are lucky because we did not see but only believe, Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.

Jesus also forgives them, for those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven, for those whose sins you retain they are retained. Forgiveness cannot change the past it can make a future possible.

So, on this Divine Mercy Sunday, as we contemplate the forgiveness of God, let us pray for the graces we need to extend forgiveness and mercy to others.

Have a blessed Sunday, God bless Fr. Aleki.



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.
- **Hall Back Room** - The back room is cluttering up. at the PPC it was agreed to call parishioners to remove their property as a **clear-out is planned**. If you use the Hall Back room can you please action this thanks
- The office will be open next week due to Marc have a one week leave over Easter.
- **Daylight Saving ends** Sunday 7th April at 3am. Turn clocks back 1 hour to 2am just before you go to bed.
- Parish Picnic will be held at Tui Park on 13th of April the second Saturday of April. We will have it there after the mass at 9am. I just remind everyone to write down in our dairy this special day.
- For all children looking for first holy communion and confirmation we will have a meeting on the fourth Sunday 28th of April in the hall. For all children who looking for this, see Fr. Aleki or Joyce Samuel. We are planning to celebrate it on Christ the King on 24th of November 2024.
- We will have an AGM on 26th Sunday of May 2024 after 10am mass in the hall so write down in your dairy.

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."

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.



PLEASE Register with us

THANK YOU to the first **127 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.

DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN

will be celebrating 40 years this year and North Shore Dove will be hosting a celebration at St. Thomas More Catholic Church on Saturday, 20th April 2024, from 9:15 a.m. to 2 p.m. starting with Holy Mass.

Come and meet and hear stories and miracles from women who have been involved in Dove for the past 40 years. Please bring food to share.



University Ministry Coordinator – Catholic Diocese of Auckland

Are you a self-motivated relationship-builder who can be the driving force behind a new project? We're looking for someone who answers "Yes!" to become our full-time University Ministry Coordinator.

You'll be part of a tight-knit team implementing a bold new strategy for ministry to young people in the Diocese of Auckland.

To learn more, please visit:
www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/



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, **TODAY**, 05 May 2024, 5-6pm (Zoom). Koha.

<https://bit.ly/3u9eJ3L>

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

<https://bit.ly/48rLnG>

Info - registration: info@studyjoy.nz



The Society of St Vincent de Paul is an international organisation of lay people devoted to serving the poor by visiting those in need and providing support to them. While closely associated with the Catholic church, we serve anyone in need and welcome anyone as members, regardless of belief, culture, or gender.

Since August 1977, we have been active in the Beach Haven parish, visiting those in need in private homes, retirement homes, hospices, hospitals, prisons, and other places. We actively provide assistance with food and other material support. We need more people to assist us in this work and ask you to think carefully about how you may be able to help. If you are able to help, please contact Charles (022 0242 753). If you would like to volunteer to help out at our Vinnies Charity shops, please contact Mel at the Vinnies shop (482 3017) for more information.

We thank parishioners 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. Donations can be left in the basket at the back of the church before Mass on Sundays. If you are able 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. Please pray for us and our work and we continue to pray for your needs.

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/>

Safeguarding WORKSHOP - 14 April 2024

Lisa-May (Diocese Safeguarding Co-ordinator) is holding a Saturday afternoon Safeguarding workshop on Saturday 14th April at 5.00pm at St Johns in Orewa (180 Centreway Road, Orewa).

As with the very successful Takapuna workshop Lisa is asking us to spread the word and invite any of your volunteers who need to attend a workshop to join us. Afterwards, perhaps they can then spend some time having dinner in the beautiful Orewa, or perhaps fish and chips on the beach.

Contact - lisam@cda.org.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 09-480-5959

Next Week Ministries	8:00am Mass	10:00am Mass
Welcome/Notices	Sesalina Setu	Stephen Chmiel
Ministers Of The Word	Therse Corpuz Florinda Azavedo	Bill Kilgallon Mohan Samuel
Ministers of Communion	Vic Peters Atela Brahne	Stephanie Martin Michael Coats
Prayers Of The Faithful	Charles Grinter	Anthony Davids
Computer	Christiana Setu	Andrew Gongora
Musicians	Ausage Fa'aoso Setu	Filomena Filipo
Counters	Team B	Ana Tusani Stephen Chmiel

Next Week READINGS

14 April 2024

First Reading:
Acts 3:13-15,17-19

Psalm: 16

Second Reading:
1John 2:1-5

Gospel:
Luke 24:35-48

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 - 12 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

- **Music Meeting** - 10:30 am Tuesday after first Sunday every month (07 May)
- **Finance Committee** - 7 pm Tues (09 Apr)
- **Liturgy Committee** - 7 pm Wed (10 Apr)
- **PPC Meeting** - 7 pm Wed (17 Apr)
- **Liturgy of the Word** - every Monday - 9 am, with Communion.
- **Multicultural Mass** - 10 am (TBC)
- **Youth Mass** - 10 am (TBC)
- **Maori Mass** - 10 am (TBC)
- **Filipino Mass:** 1st Sunday - 4 pm (TODAY)
- **Samoan Mass:** 2nd Sunday - 11:45 (14 Apr)
- **Tongan Mass:** 3rd Sunday - 12 pm (21 Apr)

FREE!
TAKE ONE



The latest issue in your church Sunday Mar. 24

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 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