

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: CLOSED 29 March—OPEN 8 April 2024

Palm Sunday 24 March 2024

First Reading: Mark 11:1-10, Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalm: 22

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Mark 14:1-15:47

Reflection by Fr Aleki Piula

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Today is our sixth Sunday of Lent which has both Psalm Sunday and Passion Sunday. No other Sunday in the liturgical

year reflect of the contrast as today, that we begin with songs of triumph and quickly shifts into remembrance of the Lord's Passion. His royal entrance into the holy city Jerusalem was also an entrance into the mystery of his suffering, death, and resurrection.

In the Gospel for procession from Mark, Jesus enters Jerusalem as a humble king and gentle Messiah and is greeted joyfully by his disciples.

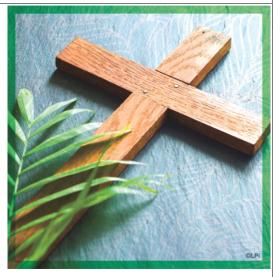
In the first reading from the book of prophet Isaiah, the prophet suffers in carrying out his mission, but is sustained by the firm belief that God will not abandon him. We think of Jesus as we listen to this reading.

Psalm 22 sings,' My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?'

In the second reading from a letter of St Paul to the Philippians, Because of Jesus took on himself

our human condition, and accepted death on a cross, the Father has raised him up and made him Lord of heaven and earth.

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 saint Mark stresses the crude trial and shocking details of Jesus' suffering. The final act in the drama of Jesus has come. So, the Son of Man must suffer many things.

In Mark's account of Passion, Mark has Jesus die in total isolation deserted by his disciples, taunted by his enemies, derided by those who hung with him, and worst of all, abandoned by God.

The striking of the curtain of the Temple signifies that the privilege of Israel has ended, henceforth access to the divine presence is open to all.

The answer to the question of who then is, this? the centurion said": 'Truly, this man was the Son of God'.

As we enter this holy week with Christ, may our participation in each solemn liturgy draw us into a deeper union with Christ and with one another.



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."



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 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 <u>clear-out is</u> <u>planned</u>. If you use the Hall Back room can you please action this thanks
- Reconciliation, here at Maria Assumpta on Friday (22 March) at 7pm with 6pm station of the cross.
- Monday Chrism mass, at St Patrick Cathedral at 7pm
- Tuesday and Wednesday both mass at 9am as usual
- Holy Triduum Holy Thursday, mass at 7pm
- Good Friday: Station of the cross at 8am, Ecumenical walk at 10am we are the second to the last, 3pm prayer service of the Passion of the Lord, here we invite everyone to touch the cross but not kiss the cross due to virus around.
- Easter Vigil at 9pm we invite everyone to come with your own bell the parish provide holy water, And only one mass on Easter Sunday at 9am.



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.

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, 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

https://bit.ly/48rLlnG

Info - registration: info@studyjoy.nz

Early preparations for Holy Week and Easter

THIS Sunday is **Palm Sunday** (10am)

Mass begins at 8am outside the hall where the palms will be blessed.

Holy Thursday; No morning mass. Evening mass of the Last Supper begins at 7pm.

Bring bells to ring at the Gloria. After Mass, people to depart in silence and not engage in conversation outside the church as others take part in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 1pm

Good Friday: Stations in car park 8am

Ecumenical walk at 10am begins this year at Baptist church top of Birkdale rd. Bus being organised

Passion Begins at 3pm. Enter and leave in silence.

<u>Easter Vigil Saturday 9</u>pm start outside church for lighting of Paschal Candle.

Do not bring own containers for Holy Water. It will be supplied by the parish.

Again bring your bells. One mass on Easter Sunday morning at 9am.



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



<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	Holy Thurs 7 pm	Good Friday 3 pm	East Vigil 9:00 pm	Easter Sunday 9 am
Welcome/Notices Narrator:	S. Setu	n/a Bill Kilgallon	Bill Kilgallon	Anita Knape
Ministers Of The Word	A. Davids Te Aorere Chan	Florinda Azavedo Stephen Chmiel	(1) 1. B.Matth- 2. A. Gongora 3. J. Seuman- 4. M.Samuel (2) S. McCar- thy	Therese Corpuz Tuan Ngu- yen.
Ministers of Communion Solemn Intercessions Reproaches Stripping of altar	Maria Wilcox Lulia Naititi	Elisara Tulifau Michael Coats	Liz Anthony Pat McCarthy	Vic Peters Maria Taualofa'i
Prayers Of The Faithful	Ana Tusani	n/a	C. Grinter	Anne Mutu
Computer	F. Filipo	M. Samuel	F. Filipo	M .Coats
Musicians	A. Fa'aoso Setu	Filomena Filipo	Si'uleo Vitale	Ana Tran
Counters	Team B	n/a	n/a	S. Chmiel A. Gongora

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 (09 Apr)
- Finance Committee 7 pm Tues (og 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)





Next Week READINGS

31 March 2024

First Reading: Acts 10:34. 37-43

Psalm: 118

Second Reading: Corinthians 5:6-8

> Gospel: John 20:1-9

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-. 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