

**THE ASCENSION
OF THE LORD
29TH MAY 2022**

EXPLORING THE WORD

The reaction of the disciples to the absence of Jesus after his ascension is in stark contrast to the reaction they had to him leaving at his death. After his death on the cross, they shut themselves into the upper room in fear. Now they worship him and go joyfully rejoicing to the temple. Clearly now they have not lost the sense of his presence with them. Something has changed. His return to God opens the way to glory for all who believe, and this is the source of their joy. He is beyond their sight but truly with them, and he has repeated again his promise to send the help they will need to undertake their mission into the world. These final verses of Luke's Gospel introduce what will become the story of his second volume, the Acts of the Apostles: 'repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.' Acts tells the story of the Gospel being taken out to all the nations, a story that continues to this day.

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For more information please call: Cyril: 021 101 4574 or Mel: 021 037 4961

PLANNED GIVING

Friendly reminder if you would like to help contribute to our **Parish & Building Fund**, we would appreciate if you could set up your planned giving contributions as an Automatic Payment in your internet banking settings. Details are located on the back of this newsletter.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Available for collection from the office. Please see Celia.

TAX RECEIPTS

Please email the parish office for your tax receipt. Thank you for your continued support.

BUILDING FUND UPDATE

The loan agreement has been finalised with the diocese. Thank you to everyone for your continued support of the 2nd Collection.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

22nd MAY 2022

1st Collection: \$2,746.80

2nd Collection: \$1,106.30

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Genevieve Brighthouse, Alberta Jayakody. Jorge Alombro, Jean, Nita Laguda, Arnold Leduna, Lito Armas, Theresa Heng, Chastine Chloe Ganuanga, Marilyn Madrid, Jack Farrell, Edward William Castelino

Anniversaries of Death: Paul Lee, Alice Lim, Anne Abbot, John Lim, Mary Lee SF, Anne Lim Kim Lian Yvonne Rose Johassen, Marina Bautista, Pedro Piramide Junior, Ruth G Paguirigan, Babsy Hoeden Pereira, Soane Kauhalaniua, Feliciano Gramata, Ady Gramata & Angelo Bilbao, Francisco Frias, Thomas Lee, James Meyers, Jag, Angela Ng.

For the Sick: Dickson Naidoo, Woon Kong Fatt, Ramalingam, Joseph, Dominica Park, Fale Tufue, Gabrielle Westerland, Kamla Singh, Aguida Cruz, Robellta Lee, Marek Gabrielczyk.

Special Intentions: Gloria Fidow, Anita & Dominic Carlos, Fehoko & Ane Kauhalaniua, St Joseph's College Samoa & Marist Old Pupils Association, Vanessa & Terry Alpay, Bendeict Seo & Family, Jose Moralejo, Ataini & Soane Pule'anga, Philomena Lim Kim Neo, Bergonia Family, Fatai, Lim Hock Lai, Oscar David Yeshaya Ulep, Adique Family.

**PENTECOST SUNDAY
5th June 2022**

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	AV	Thank you to all our ministry Volunteers for your service to our Parish! Please see Thomas for any roster queries.
5:00PM	Patricia Toilolo	Anne Chan	Maxie Realon	Janet Wigmore	Joseph George	
			Santiago Duque	Johann Ang		
		Karl Guarin	Mateo Duque	Aidan Chan		
Trisha Faye De Jesus						
8:30AM	Cedric Pigginn	Ninoshca Remedios	Jonarren Pulevaka	Clarissa Bagood	Semisi Paletua	
			Erin Gizelle Taruc	Jana Lopez		
		Penina Schmidt	Caying Ramos	Herschele Hendricks		
Tristan Sia						
10:30AM	Lesley Dickson	Alexa Lazatin	Sean Serdenia	Lily Tanyag	T J Reyes	
			Julia Tominiko	Narciso Tanyag		
		Joey Lazatin	Florence Tominiko	Johnathan Aviet		
			Bernadette Tominiko	Jean Balicao		
			Hennessey Catayas			



THANK YOU FR RODNEY

Thank you for your time and service to St Lukes Community over the last 3 weeks.
May God continue to bless you in your ministry.

COVID-19 Exposures

There are still cases of covid exposures here at St Luke's Catholic Church, it is important to please follow the protocols:

- **Strongly encouraged to wear a Mask.**
- SOCIAL DISTANCE in your family bubble.
- If any symptoms develop, get tested immediately and isolate.
We appreciate your understanding and co-operation.

MASK WEARING

The public Health advice is that masks continue to be strongly encouraged when indoors. Wearing a mask is a key health measure that slows the spread of COVID-19 in indoor settings.

For that reason, we ask that

Parishioners continue to wear a mask whenever they attend mass at St Lukes.

We can help each other to keep safe as much as possible.
Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL FURNITURE DONATIONS NEEDED

Families and individuals come to us directly or are referred by other Social Service Organisations.

Families can apply for furniture, we match with the donations, and then make delivery.



We can pick up Monday or Tuesday 9:00am – 3:00pm
Families need good condition beds & household furniture.

WE DELIVER TO FAMILIES IN NEED.

47 Station Road, Otahuhu, Auckland 1062

dispatch@stvinnietahuhu.org.nz / 09 270 4088
svdpak.org.nz

World Environment Day Sunday 5th June

Let us pray Pope Francis' "Prayer for the Earth": All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

Let us celebrate nature: Take the time to marvel at her beauty. Visit a local park, beach, or volcanic cone - try a new path or cycle way or just rejoice over nature for her beauty and for all she provides us with.

Let us consider what we can do practically to live a sustainable lifestyle and this way protect our "One Earth"

ROSARY WORKSHOP

Learn about the history, the prayers and the mysteries of the Rosary, with hands-on teaching to make your own Rosary : Sunday 2pm – 4pm (\$15 pp per session includes all rosary making materials and afternoon tea) Sun 26 June. Venue: St Francis Retreat Centre.

Contact rosaryworkshopnz@gmail.com to register or for more info.

EXTRA PARKING FOR SUNDAY MASS

Friendly reminder there is plenty of parking available via the Te Irirangi entrance to the Schools.
Only a short walk through the school and less traffic congestion.

New Parishioner Registration Online Form - Available Now!



Our new Online registration is now available. Check it out on our Parish Website or by scanning this QR Code.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR
COOPERATION

ALPHA

Alpha is an 11-week course where people are invited to explore, re-discover and deepen the Catholic faith and fellowship.

All are welcome to join **5th night** -
Thurs 2nd June, 6.30pm
Use the online registration form
bit.ly/stlukesalpha2022
Or scan the QR code



FUNDRAISER FOR BUILDING FUND

THANK YOU, Sincere thanks to everyone who supported the sale of Wheat Bags last weekend. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. \$1,000 has been contributed to the Parish Building Fund.
Many thanks, Calvin & Lynn.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR UNITY

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity for 2022 runs from 30 May – 5 June. Please join with us to celebrate together at this year's Ecumenical Prayer Service on Sunday 12th June 2022, 6:30PM |15 Culperry Road |Glendene | Host: St Peter's Syrian Orthodox Church. Refreshments after service. Email pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz for further details.

BAPTISM DATES

June 25th ; July 30th ; Aug 27th ; 24th Sep

Attendance at a Preparation Course is necessary for your first baby.

Enquire with Nick at the Parish Office.

TERM 2 SCHOOL MASSES

All are welcome to celebrate

Wednesday 1.30pm - Led by Sancta Maria College
Friday 9am - Led by Sancta Maria Catholic Primary

MORNING TEA

Starting this weekend 29th May, after 10.30am Mass.
Every 2 weeks, served by our St Lukes Cultural Communities.



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Copies available from the foyer. Please donate \$4 to the donation box. Many thanks!