

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 27th NOVEMBER 2022

First Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

Responsorial psalm

Psalm 122: 1-2, 4-9

Second reading

Romans 13:11-14

Gospel

Matthew 24:37-44

EXPLORING THE WORD

Matthew's Gospel is written for a mostly Jewish audience who had converted to Christianity. Because of this Jewish background, Matthew often uses images and incidents from the Hebrew Scriptures or Old Testament, with which his community were very familiar.

For Matthew, Jesus is the fulfillment of the prophecies of old, and the Messiah who has long been awaited.

In this text, Jesus twice uses the title 'Son of Man' to describe himself. It is an ambiguous term because it can simply mean a human being but is also used in the Hebrew Scriptures to refer to the one who will be judge and savior of all. Advent has a past, present and future dimension. We look back to the events of Bethlehem when Christ first entered the world; we reflect on Christ's presence today, and we look forward with joy to the future coming of Christ. Today's gospel reminds us that we must be ready for that coming.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

20th NOV 2022

1st Collection: \$3,246.60

2nd Collection: \$1,240.70

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Wayne Cammell, Marianne Mudaliar, Thomas Pereira, Celia Hunkin, Fr Craig, Harold Ballicao Arlene Pereira, Josephine Nickel.

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FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

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PARISH GROUPS

The Legion of Mary: Our Lady of Victories Presidium

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Meetings are every Tuesday 7pm

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BAPTISM DATES for 2022

17th Dec

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

Thank you to our volunteer Baptism Couples that are running this course!

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. Thanks in advance.

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION



Check it out on our Parish Website, by scanning this QR Code.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

NO RIGHT TURN

To help alleviate the congestion after each weekend mass please do not make a right turn as you exit onto Chapel Road. Thanks for your Understanding and cooperation.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: David Solia, Rogelia Rodulfa, Boboy Guevara, Patrick McBride, Edwin, Marietta Hickey, Minda Sevillano, Ramon Elepano,

Anniversaries of Death: Luis Lopez, Mr P. Verghese (16th),

Souls in Purgatory: Lau Keung, Ning Chuen Fa, Lau Yee Ming, Lau Kai Yan, Bill Davies (1st), Souls of John & Marie, Maria Crestanello (1 month),

Alicia Gulapa (1st), Mary Lee Sin Fong (19th) Demetrio Kalaw, Artemio Romulo De Villa, Romeo Munar, Anna & Andres De Villa, Nieves Nacario,

Halatafuatama Mahanitotonu Tafua, Pablitos Santos, Simon Lee,

Maria Yoo, Katreen Eustaquio (1st), Joseph Park, Francis Bang.

For the Sick: Elizabeth Bullo (Healing)

Special Intentions: Melisa Jacobs (Birthday), Ivy (Birthday), Ralph, Feagaiga & Parker Family, Jovish & Shaniqua, Jessica Seo & Family.



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 4TH DECEMBER 2022

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	AV	Thank you to all our ministry Volunteers for your service to our Parish!  Please ensure your details have been updated in our new parish database.
5:00PM	Lydia Lobo	Natasha Martis	Jirus John Wong Ling	Oliver Tamayo	Owen Tamayo	
			Zoe Grace Martis	Irene Siasoco		
		Marianne Mudaliar	Mikhail Magayanes	Aidan Chan		
8:30AM	Semisi Paletua	Siosiana Paletua	Daniel Pereira	J L Lopez	Nathan Pereira	
			Erin Gizelle Taruc	Megan Noronha		
		Benita Pereira	Caying Ramos	Lloyd Weldschidt		
10:30AM	Mike Parcon	Kara Schmidt	Julius Pender	Adina Anselm	Esperanza Reyes / Kelly Cheah	
			Elaine Penaflor	Jean Balicao		
		Blace Sayas	Yoshua Angelo Quedi	Hennessey Catayas		
			Aaron Rodrigues	Grace Chiu		
			Leila Sila	Teresa Croker		

ST LUKES UPCOMING PARISH DATES:

Parish Reconciliation Rite II:

Fri 9th Dec, 6-7pm

Parish Working Bee:

Sat 10th Dec, 10am-Midday

Anointing of the Sick Mass:

All weekend Masses 10th / 11th Dec

Parish Raffle Draw Date:

Sun 11th Dec, after the 10.30am Mass

PARISH WORKING BEE

Save the date for our first parish working bee here at our new church building. Opportunity to spruce up the grounds and church ready for Christmas. Please bring gardening equipment to weed, trim hedges, water blaster to wash exterior windows, cloths/rags for dusting and cleaning inside the church. Most importantly remember the elbow grease

Sausage sizzle will be provided at the end.
Saturday 10th December 10am - Midday

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Dec 10th - 5pm Vigil & Dec 11th - 8.30am & 10.30am Masses. We will be celebrating the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick within all our Sunday Masses.

"Make this oil a remedy for all who are anointed with it; heal them in body, in soul and in spirit, and deliver them from every affliction."

RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE

Eftpos available in foyer this weekend.
Pick up a book on your way in/out

The Indian Community
of St. Luke's Parish Flat Bush sponsors a
CHRISTMAS RAFFLE 2022
for the benefit of the church building fund of St. Luke's Parish

1st Prize: 4 night Bach stay – Whitianga Holiday Home (Valued over \$1,500)
\$1,000 PAK'nSAVE Gift Card

2nd Prize: \$500 PAK'nSAVE Gift Card
Arlo Wired Video Doorbell (Value \$250)
Jumbuck 4 Burner Flat Top Delta BBQ (Value \$200)

3rd Prize: UE Megaboom Bluetooth Speaker (Value \$250)
\$200 PAK'nSAVE Gift Card
Christmas Ham (Value \$100)
Christmas Cake

Ticket Draw Date
Sunday 11 December 2022

Ticket price : **\$10.00**
No:

CHRISTMAS / NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULE

Sat 24th Dec	6PM Carols, 6.30PM Mass (NO 5PM VIGIL)
	9PM Carols, 9.30PM Mass
Sun 25th Dec	8.30AM & 10.30AM Mass
Sat 31st Dec	5PM Vigil Mass
Sun 1st Jan	8.30AM & 10.30AM Mass

IGNIS - YOUNG ADULTS

IGNIS is back for our final event of the year - themed on ADVENT! If you're a fellow Young Adult (18-35yo) join us on the **3rd of Dec here at St Luke's!** We'll have the chance to celebrate together at the 5pm vigil mass, enjoy some food and drink, praise our Lord through song, and listen to an awesome guest speaker! If you're able to please BYO food to share.

Give us a follow on instagram through the QR code below, to stay tuned for more details! God bless and see you there!



NZ CATHOLIC

Headlines for this issue:

- *Otago school celebrates opening of new buildings.
- *New Catholic Māori Group meets with Bishops.
- *Liturgical formation of the People of God in NZ.

SACRED FOOTSTEPS 2023

Registrations are now open for **Ngā Tapuwāe - Sacred Footsteps 2023**. Our Northland pilgrimage will be from 6th January to 8th January 2023. All are welcome to hiko with us to learn more of our Catholic heritage.

We will explore, experience, and live the sacred places of Kupe, Bishop Pompallier, and the early missionaries. The pilgrimage will conclude with Mass at the place where the first Mass in NZ occurred.

Register <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/nga-tapuwae-pilgrimage/>

or contact: Stephen Fraser 09 360 3052 or: stephenf@cda.org.nz

SCHOLARSHIP for STUDY at TE KUPENGA CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Bishop Stephen Lowe, the Catholic Bishop of Auckland, is pleased to call for applications for the *Ruth Miller Scholarship* for study at Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College. This scholarship will be available for a selected number of people who intend to do one or more Theology papers at Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College towards a Bachelor of Theology degree in 2023. For further information about this scholarship and to receive an application form, please contact Catherine Ryan, Vicar for Education, Email: catheriner@cda.org.nz.

The closing date for applications is MONDAY 12 DECEMBER 2022

MINISTRY ROSTERS

The full ministry roster for the period Nov, Dec 2022 & Jan 2023 have been emailed.

If you have not received, please contact:
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