

FOURTH SUNDAY ORD TIME
29th JANUARY 2023

First Reading
Zephaniah 2: 3; 3:12-13
Responsorial psalm
Psalm 146: 6-10
Second reading
1 Corinthians 1: 26-31
Gospel
Matthew 5: 1-12

EXPLORING THE WORD

The rendering of the Greek term used in this text as 'happy' is rather weak. A better term is 'blessed'. At the heart of the Beatitudes is Jesus' instruction to his followers to cultivate certain qualities in their lives. To be gentle, to mourn, to thirst for what is right, to be merciful, to be pure of heart and to be peacemakers are signs of the presence of the kingdom of God in our lives. To have such virtues is to be blessed. Jesus teaches that those who suffer some human lack or pain are blessed, not because poverty, pain or sorrow are good in themselves, but because they reveal to us our need for God. Those who are prosperous, comfortable or content find this much more difficult to realise and accept. The final portion of this text speaks to the experience of the early church, which suffered persecution for the sake of faith in Jesus Christ. Christians today are also called to stand against arrogant secularism, which proclaims that humans do not need God. Even today, people suffer for their faith, but they too are assured that their reward will be great in heaven!

Readings for next week

FIFTH SUNDAY ORD TIME

05.02.2023

First Reading

Isaiah 58: 6-10

Responsorial psalm

Psalm 112: 4-9

Second reading

1 Corinthians 2: 1-5

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE

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BAPTISM ENQUIRES 2023

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

Enquire with Nick at the Parish Office.

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Peter Noronha, Elsa Watkinson, Alberto Laurena, Mila Bilowwan, Gui Lan Ma, Siuaki Pule'anga, Baby Klein, David Solia, Rogelia Rodulfa, Boboy Guevara, Patrick McBride, Ramon Elepano

Anniversaries of Death: Nila Lavilla, Bernard & Melissa Williams (4yrs), Gloria Diwa (40 days), Tony Williams (1st yr), Eileen Pauline Abrahams, Valerio Amang Lopez & Milagros Aguzar (1st yr), Pablito Santos

For the Sick: Shashi Prasad (Recovery), Raju (Recovery in India)

Special Intentions: Penina & Samuel (Anniversary)

Birthdays: Babsy Hoeden Pereira, Canuto Garcia Jr.,



PARISH GROUPS

The Legion of Mary: Our Lady of Victories Presidium

Madel 027 889 5679

Meetings are every Tuesday 7pm

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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.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

22nd JAN 2022

1st Collection: \$2,882.00

2nd Collection: \$1,063.00

BUILDING FUND UPDATE

Year to Date, our loan balance is now sitting at \$2,085,503.00

Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our 2nd Collection.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
5TH FEBRUARY 2023

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	AV
5:00PM	Mariane Mudaliar	Ton Quiballo	Zach Nguyen	Lydia Lobo	Joseph George
			Cyril Siasoco	Asher Nguyen	
		Santiago Duque		Jacob Mukkada	
			Mateo Duque		
8:30AM	Penina Schmidt	Lauretta Weldschidt	Jas Lopez	Herschele Hendricks	Semisi Paletua
			Nicola Crestanello	Jodek Lopez	
		Daniel Pereira		Joaquin Fallar	
10:30AM	Lesley Dickson	Josephine Nickel	Alistar Bautista	Ethan Siao	George Hayes
			Kathrina Bacay	Marina De Silva	
			PJ Afamasaga	Lily Tanyag	
		Ysabel Kis-ing	Sophie Cong	Narciso Tanyag	
			Cian Da Silva	Shaad Karmani	

Thank you to all our ministry Volunteers for your service to our Parish!



CONGRATULATIONS FR CRAIG ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Fr Craig celebrated his 21st anniversary of ordination on Thurs 26th January 2023.

Thank you for your continued service to priesthood and especially for all that you do here at St Lukes.

ST LUKE'S CHILDREN'S & YOUTH CHOIR OPEN DAY WORKSHOPS

Calling all 5 - 10yr old children!! Come & join the St Luke's Children's choir. All are welcome to the open day workshop.

The St Luke's Youth Choir is also holding a vocal workshop.

Saturday 11th February, Parish Lounge:-
Children's Choir: 10am - 12pm
Youth Choir: 2 - 4pm

This is a great way for your children to serve in the Parish!!
Hope to see you there!

If you have any questions contact: liralecias@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We are looking for volunteers to lead our Children's Liturgy during the 8.30am Mass.

If you have experience with primary aged children and are interested please get in touch with Nick from the parish office.

NZ CATHOLIC



Headlines for this issue:

- *Remembering Pope Benedict XVI – young Kiwis reflect on WYD2008.
- *Holiday Masses on NZ islands.
- *Catholics in New Year honours.
- *Polish links to Otago church.

RCIA & RCIC

Our RCIA & RCIC (Rite to Christian Initiation for Adults & Children) will resume on Sunday 12th February 2023, 9.30am.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

The sacramental program for **Confirmation** sessions will start back on Sunday 26th February 2023, 9.30am.

Session 1 – 26th Feb
Session 2 - 5th March
Session 3 - 12th March
Session 4 - 19th March

For any queries Contact:
Nick on pastoral@flatbushcatholic.org.nz

ASH WEDNESDAY & LENT

Ash Wednesday Masses:
February 22nd
9am & 7pm

Stations of the Cross :
Every Friday during Lent 6.30 - 7pm
24th Feb, 3rd March, 10th March,
17th March, 24th March, 31st March

JOURNEY THROUGH LENT 2023

St. Luke's Parish invites everyone to participate in JOURNEY THROUGH LENT 2023 (Holy is His Name)

A Lenten programme provided by St. Paul Centre of Biblical Studies.

This is a Video Series of 6 Thursdays during Lent Starting on 23 February 2023 in the Parish Lounge at 7:30PM

For more details, please contact Cyril Siasoco on 021 1014574
live.share.christ.2022@gmail.com

You can use this QR code to register



MANY CULTURE OF ST LUKES

If you are new to our parish, check out our noticeboard map. Let the parish office staff know to place a pin on your nation.

"Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations" (Mt 28:19)

CORRECTION FOR THE FRONT PAGE MASS TIMES

There will be no Friday 1.30pm mass during the school holidays.
Thank you for your understanding.

BREAST SCREENING

FREE BREAST Screening is returning to Flat Bush - appointments only.

Look for the mobile unit at St Luke's Parish Car Park 260 Chapel Road, Flat Bush
7th February - 24th February 2023
Free for women aged 45-69 years
Freephone 0800 270 200
For more information visit www.timetoscreen.nz