

**PALM SUNDAY**  
2ND APRIL 2023

**First Reading**

*Isaiah 50: 4-7*

**Responsorial psalm**

*Psalms 22: 7-8, 16-19, 22-23*

**Second reading**

*Philippians 2: 6-11*

**Gospel**

*Passion Matthew 26: 14-27.66*

**EXPLORING THE WORD**

This Sunday's Eucharist begins with a joyous procession. With palm branches in hand, we sing victorious hymns to commemorate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. We come together in communion with one another through God's word and spirit. The Scripture readings of this Sunday invite us to muster all the strength and faith that we possess to courageously carry our heavy burdens just as Jesus himself bore the weight of the cross for us and for our salvation. What can we learn from Jesus's passion and death at this extremely challenging time of ours? Jesus certainly knows our pain and the heavy load that we all bear. The sacrifices we make, however, can save our life as well as the life of others. We do not suffer alone, but Jesus too suffers along with us. May we be even more united in prayer and solidarity for each other. Like Jesus, may we place our complete trust in God's mercy and wisdom, with the confidence that God will give us the grace to get through this difficult time

Readings for next week:

**EASTER SUNDAY**

**First Reading**

*Acts 10: 34, 37-43*

**Responsorial psalm**

*Psalms 118: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23*

**Second reading**

*Colossians 3: 1-4*

**Gospel**

*John 20: 1-18*

**PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE**

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

**FINANCE COMMITTEE** Fr Craig, Lydia Lobo, Tony Noronha, Mike Pope, Nicola Crestanello, Utita Sakalia

**LITURGY COMMITTEE** Thomas Pereira, Alzira Rodrigues, Fr Craig, Shaad Karmani, Cora Noblejas, Errol Aviet, Celia Hunkin, Cherrie Lapaz, Joval Moredó, Patricia Smith.

**FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE**

Christian Meyers, Gloria Trevino, Bong de Vera, Claire Raubenheimer, Allan Stowers, Fr Craig, Leanne Brighthouse, Justin Dickson

**BAPTISM ENQUIRIES 2023**

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

**Enquire with 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:** Baiju (India), Fr John Tollan, Teresa Dias (Interment of Ashes), Simi Roberts (Samoa), Fr Mario, Fr Leo, Casimera Suralta Reyno, Alberto Laurena.

**Anniversaries of Death:** Buena Hurcomb (2nd), Marilyn Madrid (1st), Mary Margaret Rose (10yrs), Anthony Peterson (1yr), Teresa Dias, Mr W., Mary Lee SF, Ben Carlo Dimson, John & Alice Lim, Anne Abbot, Souls in Purgatory, Aramalai & Fly, Victoria & Nicholas Beardow, Christina Chua, Sylvia Aviet (1 month), John Aviet, Renato Cruz, Flora, Anna Lee (14yrs), Edward Castelino (1st yr), Pablito Santos.

**Special Intentions:** Joseph Goh, Joe Moralejo (Thanksgiving), Rubiales Family, Baby Gia Agam Denis & Family.

**Birthdays:** Giovanna Parker, Mikayla Fuavao (3yrs), Bienvenida Pe (90th), Alice Yao, Marife Ricofrente, Josefina & Leticia & Lucio Tapia, Marilyn Madrid



**PARISH COLLECTIONS**

26th MAR 2023

1st Collection: \$2,748.60

2nd Collection: \$1,405.80

**BUILDING FUND UPDATE**

Year to Date, our loan balance is now sitting at \$1,975,503.00; Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our 2nd Collection.

**PARISH GROUPS**

**The Legion of Mary: Our Lady of Victories Presidium**

Madel 027 889 5679

Meetings are every Tuesday 7pm

**SLYAC / IGNIS**

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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.

**EASTER SUNDAY**  
9TH APRIL 2023

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	AV
8:30AM	Shandel Ngan Woo	Penina Schmidt	Ariana Hall	Michelle Smith	George Hayes
			Calvin Chong	Louise Magallanes	
		Kara Schmidt	Jonarren Pulevaka	Makerita Ropati	
			Hezekiah Faletagoai		
10:30AM	Blace Sayas	Cherrie Lapaz	Matthew Cortez	Cora Noblejas	Kelly Cheah
			Miguel Cortez	Barbara McGivern	
			Devon Mah-Kwan	Lily Tanyag	
		Josephine Nickel	Elaine Penafior	Narciso Tanyag	
			Samuel Dsouza	Lou Gracia	

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



## HOLY WEEK 2023 MASS TIMETABLE

Friendly reminder to use the  
School Carpark during  
Holy Week to reduce congestion.

APRIL 6	HOLY THURS	7PM The Last Supper
APRIL 7	GOOD FRIDAY	10AM Stations of the Cross 3PM Veneration of the Cross
APRIL 8	HOLY SATURDAY	7PM Easter Vigil
APRIL 9	EASTER SUNDAY	8.30AM & 10.30AM

## EASTER RAFFLE

Please return your ticket butts and money to the  
foyer raffle station as we prepare for the  
draw on Easter Sunday.

The Tongan Community  
of St. Luke's Parish Flat Bush sponsors a  
**EASTER RAFFLE 2023**  
for the benefit of the church building fund of St. Luke's Parish

**1st Prize:** \$2,000 Furniture Voucher (T&C applicable)  
Sponsored by Furniture Shop Ltd, 7A Wanstead Way, Mangere

**2nd Prize:** \$1,000 Grocery Gift Card

**3rd Prize:** IGLOO BMX 49L Chilly Bin filled with Easter treats  
(Value \$500)

Raffle draw date:  
Sunday 9th April 2023

Ticket price : \$10.00  
No:

## FAREWELL NICHOLAS CHAN

This Sunday we farewell Nicholas Chan, who has been our pastoral coordinator for the past 3 years. We thank you Nick for your energy and organizational skills in assisting with the move from the auditorium to our new church building and establishing new procedures for our RCIA, RCIC, Baptism & Sacramental programs. We wish Nick all the best in his future endeavors and look forward to seeing him and his family regularly around the parish.

We welcome Paulette Devane to the parish team as she settles into her new role as the Parish Coordinator. We look forward to getting to know as she builds on the good work that Nick has done.

## WELCOME BACK BOB

We welcome back Bob Feau, current 2nd year seminarian training in the Auckland Diocese at Holy Cross Seminary. He will be joining us for Holy Week as part of his pastoral placement.

Please keep him in your prayers.

## JOURNEY THROUGH LENT 2023

Thank you to those who attended the 6 week course.  
Special thanks to the Live & Share Christ group for your time, effort and sacrifice you place in teaching others about our faith.

## CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), Mon 24th April  
7:30pm-8:30pm at the parish lounge - Everyone is welcome.

Poster located in parish foyer noticeboard.

## THANK YOU

A huge thank you to all our communities for leading the weekly devotion of the Stations of the Cross during lent 2023. The parish are humbled by your commitment to serving for the Lord by commemorating Jesus's Passion and death on the cross.

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.  
*1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*

## PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Available to collect in the foyer this weekend.  
Please collect your envelope pack.

Tax receipts will be available from May onwards.  
They will be sent out upon request.

Thank you for your continued support.

## ST LUKE'S FILIPINO COMMUNITY GATHERING



Mabuhay! The St. Luke's Filipino Community would like to invite all the Filipinos in the parish to a lunch gathering filled with fun and laughter on **Saturday 22nd April 2023, 12pm Noon here in the Parish Lounge.**

A great opportunity to connect and fellowship more with each other. We look forward to meeting with you. Kita Kits!

Please bring a plate to share.

## SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

**Did you know....** The three liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil are, in fact, ONE continuous liturgy that commemorates the passion, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Take note of the "PLEASE OBSERVE SILENCE" on the projector and in the foyer after each liturgy during Holy Week.

Thank you in advance.

## Devine Mercy Sunday

Sunday 16th April 2023, 3-4pm

St Marks Parish, 334 Pakuranga Road

All are welcome to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and immerse in the Fountain of Mercy from the heart of Jesus.  
Flyer located in the foyer noticeboard.

## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE DUES, FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial assistance is available to assist families who may need financial support with the payment of Attendance

Dues for preference students attending both primary and secondary Catholic schools in the Auckland Diocese. Families facing financial difficulties can contact their school office, their Parish Priest for further information. Application forms for this assistance are available from school and parish offices, or can be downloaded from the Catholic Diocese of Auckland Website: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/catholic-schools-2/>