

**14th SUNDAY ORD TIME
09.07.2023**

Mass Readings for this week:

First Reading
Zechariah 9:9-10
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 145

Second Reading
Romans 8:9, 11-13

Gospel
Matthew 11:25-30

**Mass Readings for next week
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A**

First Reading – Isaiah 55:10-11:

The Lord's word is likened to rain that nourishes the earth, promising that it will accomplish its intended purpose without returning void.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 65:

The land's fruitful yield is a result of divine intervention, leading to joy and celebration.

Second Reading – Romans 8:18-23:

Current sufferings are minimal compared to the future glory awaiting God's children. All creation yearns for this liberation and shares in the anticipation of redemption.

Gospel – Matthew 13:1-23:

Jesus shares a parable about a sower who scattered seeds, symbolizing the spreading of God's word. The seeds fell on different types of soil, representing various responses to the message. Some seeds produced abundant fruit, while others were hindered by thorns, rocky ground, or birds. Jesus explains the meaning of each element, highlighting the importance of receptive hearts for the growth and understanding of God's teachings.

EXPLORING THE WORD

The readings for the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A tell of how our relationship with God helps us grow, which in turn allows our lives to bear fruit. The first reading explains that God's Word is like the rain, which falls on the earth and makes it fertile. The second reading reminds us that a new creation is going to emerge. And in the gospel Jesus tells the parable of the sower and explains that our hearts must be ready to receive the Word of God.

(resource from <https://young-catholics.com>)

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Wayne Cammell, Thomas Pereira, Fr Craig, Celia Hunkin, Harold Ballicao, Arlene Pereira, **FINANCE COMMITTEE** Fr Craig, Lydia Lobo, Tony Noronha, Mike Pope, Nicola Crestanello, Utita Sakalia

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DIOCESAN MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE:

Are you getting married?

Please book your Diocesan Marriage Preparation course www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/our-courses/

Please book 1 year (married in NZ) or 18months (married overseas) in advance your wedding date. The 3 part course takes about 30 hours to complete. This is usually spread over 3 months.

For more information email: marriageandfamily@cda.org.nz
Gerry M:021 0224 7442 / gerrys@cda.org.nz

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

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



THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!!

BAPTISM ENQUIRIES

Attendance at a Preparation Course is necessary for your first baby.
Note: There are no baptisms during Lent.
If you need a Baptism or Sacrament Certificate to be re-printed there will now be a charge of \$5 per certificate. Your original certificate is free of charge, please keep it in a safe place.

Enquire with the Parish Office



PREFERENCE FORMS

Enrolling your child at a Catholic school? For a preference certificate please contact the office for an appointment.
Processing times vary so don't delay!!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Sia Liong Ting, Kevin Sitten, Egbert Carvalho (India), Christine Chong, Michael Joseph Hannah, Dennis Langhauser, Benedicta Andres, Josephine Nevado-De Vera, Gibson Fernandes, Gladstone Holt.

Anniversaries of Death: Wilfredo Dimana (7yrs), Mila Moredo (1st), Baby James Tuilolo (1st), Adrian Sing Ho Lan, Thomas Tan Ku Hu & Cecilia Lee N Yuk Choo, Reeta Saparamadu (3yrs), Maria Cecilia Chua Felizardo (12yrs), Jacob Thomas Mukkada (5yrs), Michael Smith (8yrs), P. Sylvester (35yrs), Ronaldo Ronnie Favis (40 days), Dennis Enriquez, Lenora Fabro (40days), Alex Lee (1yr), Romulo De Villa (4yrs), Anne Sim, Paul Lee (14yrs), Pablito Santos.

Special Intentions: Luafa Feagaiga (Recovery), Rebecca & Ruth Moses (Reconciliation), Gloria Ulep (Safe Travels), Dina Garcia (Surgery), Fa'auma Leiataua (Recovery)

Birthdays: Dominic Mah Kwan, Fasavalu Parker, Liza Moredo, Kara Schmit.



PARISH COLLECTIONS

2nd JULY 2023
1st Collection: \$3,326.80
2nd Collection: \$1,057.40

BUILDING FUND UPDATE

Year to Date, our loan balance is now sitting at \$1,860,503.00 ; Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our 2nd Collection.

**15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
16TH JULY 2023**

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	PROJECTOR
5:00PM	Janet Wigmore	Patricia Smith	Jirus John Wong Ling	Jacob Mukkada	Thomas George
			Zoe Grace Martis	Oliver Tamayo	
		Dominic Carlos	Zach Nguyen	Owen Tamayo	
			Asher Nguyen		
8:30AM	Penina Schmidt	Madel de Vera	Diego Carrillo	Camille Ramos	Nathan Pereira
			Ariana Hall	Megan Noronha	
		Johannes Klaessens	Jas Lopez	Sage Fernandes	
			Caying Ramos		
10:30AM	Lesley Dickson	Joey Lazatin	Edzel Lazatin	Tess Elepano	Devon Hayes
			Mercy Magele-Rees	Virginia Lesa-Toala	
			Alexis Pender	Barbara McGivern	
		Alexa Lazatin	Julius Pender	Alisa Magele - Rees	
			Elaine Penaflor	Lou Garcia	
				Thea Garcia	
			Callista Prom		

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



Please contact Thomas for any roster queries:
coordinator
@flatbushcatholic.org.nz

PASTORAL COORDINATOR

The Parish office is on the hunt for a Pastoral Coordinator to join the team. As one of the largest growing parishes in Auckland, we wish to employ a person for up to 30 hours a week as the pastoral coordinator. This role is to assist the Parish Priest to ensure that the pastoral and administrative needs of the parish are met. The role provides pastoral assistance and is responsible for the coordination of the Parish Education Programs (RCIA, RCIC, Baptism program, sacramental program & children's liturgy) and assisting with Sunday morning Masses. Ideally the applicant would have a good grasp of social media. Applicants should be active Catholics and able to partake in the full sacramental life of the church, with theological formation (preferred). Good communication, strong planning and organization skills are essential.

Applicants must have the right to work in NZ.
Applications close 23rd July 2023.

For more information, please contact the Parish Priest, Fr Craig Dunford by email office@flatbushcatholic.org.nz

RCIA & RCIC

Rite of Christian Initiation Adults & Children

The Catholic Church welcomes all people who are seeking to deepen their life with God in a community of like-minded believers. St Luke's Parish will be start the next **RCIA** program on Sunday 16th July. The parish office is now taking enquiries - registration forms available. If you or someone you who is interested to find out about our Catholic faith, with the prospect of getting baptised as a Catholic on Easter 2024.

Many thanks for your continued support.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING SAVE THE DATE

The next training for the Altar servers:
Saturday 22 July, 10am
You must pick up a registration form from the parish office before 22nd July.



ST LUKES YOUTH NIGHT

SLY PRESENTS
Youth Night
WHERE: ST. LUKES CHURCH/LOUNGE
WHEN: SATURDAY 15TH JULY
TIME: 5 PM MASS - 8.30 PM
JOIN US FOR ANOTHER NIGHT OF
FOOD, FUN, FAITH, & FELLOWSHIP
CONTACT: SLYFLATBUSH@GMAIL.COM
IG: SLYFLATBUSH

INDIAN COMMUNITY MEET & GREET

Namaste, from the St Lukes Indian Community. We would like to extend an invite to gather in fellowship with a potluck lunch:
When: Sunday 16th July 12 - 2pm
Where: St Lukes Parish Lounge

Please feel welcome to join

Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School 2024

Only 20 spaces left! Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School is back again this summer with ten days of world-class lectures, uplifting prayer and authentic community! Hearts Aflame is a life-changing experience for young adults aged 18 to 35 who want to know more about their faith, have an authentic encounter with Christ and meet other Catholic young adults from all over New Zealand. Join us this year at Nga Tawa Diocesan School, Marton, from 29/12/23 until 7/01/23! Visit heartsaflame.org.nz to register or find out more.

NZ CATHOLIC



- Some headlines for this issue:
- *New Bishop for Palmerston North.
 - *Archbishop Martin installed in Wellington.
 - *Eucharistic adoration in Christchurch chapel for 10 years.
 - *Auckland Jesuit priest outlines proper culture for Church organisations.

Available in the parish foyer

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PARISH and SCHOOL 175th ANNIVERSARY

CELEBRATIONS 11th-15th August 2023 Please visit the Parish website www.howickcatholic.org.nz to see the details of the Parish and School celebrations of our 175th Anniversary of foundation in 1848. In particular registrations are essential for the Anniversary Luncheon on Saturday 12th August and must be received by 21st July.

HAROLD PLUMLEY MEMORIAL GARDEN

Choose to remember your loved ones in a tranquil and prayerful memorial garden on the grounds of St. Luke's parish.

Please contact the Parish Office.

