

15th SUNDAY ORD TIME
16.07.2023

Mass Readings for this week:

First Reading
Isaiah 55: 10-11
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 65: 9-13
Second Reading
Romans 8: 18-23

Mass Readings for next week

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A
First Reading – Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19:

There is only one God who cares for all, exercising justice, and demonstrating might. God teaches us that power is accompanied by kindness and provides hope through the possibility of repentance.

Responsorial Psalm – 86:

God is good, forgiving, and kind to those who call upon Him. All nations will worship Him for His wondrous deeds. He is merciful, patient, faithful, and gives strength to His servants.

Second Reading – Romans 8: 26-27:

The Spirit assists us in our weaknesses, especially when we struggle with prayer. The Spirit communicates for us with deep emotions. God, who knows all hearts, understands the Spirit's intentions, who advocates for us in alignment with God's will.

Gospel – Matthew 13: 24-43:

Jesus tells a parable about a farmer who sowed good seeds in his field, but an enemy also sowed weeds among them. When the weeds grew, the farmer chose to let them coexist with the wheat until the harvest. Jesus explains that the wheat represents the righteous, while the weeds symbolize the wicked, and they will be separated in the end. He also shares parables of the mustard seed and yeast, illustrating the small beginnings and transformative power of God's kingdom.

EXPLORING THE WORD

The readings for the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A are focused on the Kingdom of God. The first reading reminds us that God desires justice and has shown us the way of kindness. The second reading tells us that the Spirit aids us in our weakness. And in the gospel Jesus gives us several parables related to the Kingdom of God, including the parable of the weeds in the wheat, the parable of the mustard seed, and the parable of the yeast.

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

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE

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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 18 months (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: Julia Teresa Goh (26yrs), Violeta Tuyay (1yr), 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, Pablito Santos.

Special Intentions: Del Rosario Family, F Huilin (Martha) Wu, Livi & Fa'alele Kolio, Gloria Lee (sick), Luafa Feagaiga (Recovery), Fa'auma Leiatua (Recovery)

Birthdays: Maxelorenz Banson, Juanito, Lynn H



PARISH COLLECTIONS

9th JULY 2023
1st Collection: \$3,080.20
2nd Collection: \$1,184.80

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.

16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
23RD JULY 2023

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	PROJECTOR
5:00PM	Rebecca Guarin	Karl Guarin	Maxie Realon	Janet Wigmore	Zachary Guevara
		Vernon Velayo	Mikhail Magayanes	Johann Ang	
8:30AM	Niel Kulkarni	Semisi Paletua	Maryjane Wong Ling	Justin Ang	Siosiana Paletua
		Sharon Naidoo	Jodek Lopez	Makerita Ropati	
			Keilah Terrobias	Michelle Smith	
10:30AM	Mike Parcon	Ysabel Kis-ing	Erin Gizelle Taruc	Joaquin Fallar	Kelly Cheah
			Daniel Pereira	Mel Nepomuceno	
			Yoshua Angelo Quedi	Rita Nepomuceno	
	Utita Sakalia	Sean Andrei Serdenia	Hennessey Catayas		
		Julia Tominiko	Melanie Regino		
		Florence Tominiko	Ann Del Rosario		
			Ethan Siao		
			Blace Sayas		

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. Our RCIA & RCIC programs start this **Sunday 16th July**. The parish office will still be taking enquires. 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.



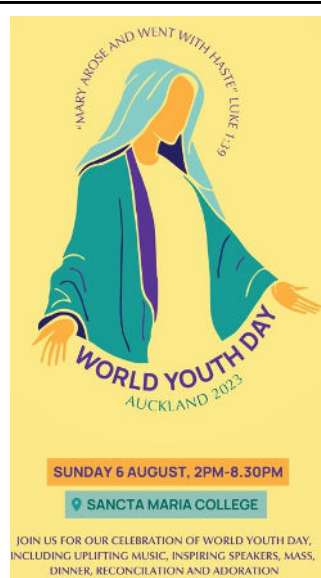
WORLD YOUTH DAY AUCKLAND

Not every young person can get to Lisbon for World Youth Day 2023, but Sancta Maria College is much more accessible.

WYD Auckland is happening **Sunday 6 August, 2pm - 8.30pm.**

Let's come together as diocesan young people to celebrate WYD with inspiring speakers, powerful worship, Mass, Dinner (Bishop Steve is paying), reconciliation and adoration.

Save the date and watch out for further details.



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

Our Lady Star of the Sea are celebrating their 175th Anniversary of foundation in 1848 on **11th-15th August 2023**. Please visit the Parish website www.howickcatholic.org.nz for more details.

In particular registrations are essential for the Anniversary Luncheon on **Saturday 12th August** and must be received by **21st July**.

CELEBRATE FR EZIO

Next Sunday 23rd July, 10.30am Mass we celebrate the 60th Anniversary this year for Fr Ezio Blasoni SM, foundation Priest of the then St Luke's Community of Flat Bush.

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Join us for Mass on **Tuesday 15th August** to celebrate this Holy day of Obligation at 9am & 7pm. If you are a volunteer of our ministries and would like to serve at the 7pm Mass, get in touch with our Roster Coordinator Thomas.

BREAST SCREENING IS COMING TO FLAT BUSH

Look for the mobile unit at our St Luke's Parish Car Park from **Mon 31 July - Friday 11th Aug 2023**. Appointments only - Free for women aged 45-69 years. For more information, visit www.timetoscreen.nz Freephone 0800 270 200

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.

