

17th SUNDAY ORD TIME
30.07.2023

First Reading 1 Kings 3: 5-12
Responsorial Psalm Psalm 119:
Second Reading Romans 8: 28-30
Gospel Matthew 13: 1-23

Mass Readings for next week

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

First Reading Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14
Responsorial Psalm 97
Second Reading 2 Peter 1: 16-19
Gospel Matthew 17: 1-9

EXPLORING THE WORD

On August 6th, the Catholic Church celebrates the Feast of the Transfiguration, a momentous event in the life of Jesus Christ, recorded in the gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. This profound occurrence took place on Mount Tabor, where Jesus' appearance was transformed before the eyes of His chosen disciples, Peter, James, and John. The Transfiguration is a significant event that holds deep theological symbolism, offering us a glimpse of the glory of heaven and the ultimate encounter with God Himself. The Transfiguration stands as a remarkable revelation of Jesus' divine nature and serves as a bridge between His earthly ministry and His heavenly glory. During the Transfiguration, two significant figures from the Old Testament, Moses and Elijah, appeared and conversed with Jesus (Matthew 17:3). Their presence symbolizes the fulfilment of the Law and the Prophets in Christ. Moses represents the Law, given to the people of Israel on Mount Sinai, while Elijah stands for the prophetic tradition. Their appearance signifies that Jesus is the fulfilment of all the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament, connecting the past to the present and pointing to the future. Peter, James, and John were the privileged witnesses of the Transfiguration. Their presence illustrates the importance of authentic and close relationships with Christ. It was to these three apostles that Jesus chose to reveal this extraordinary event, inviting them into the depth of His divine mystery. This intimate experience transformed the apostles, solidifying their faith and preparing them for the challenges that lay ahead.
(resource from <https://young-catholics.com>)

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE

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

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION



New to the area?? Want to join a ministry or community group.

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!!

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE:

Are you are 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

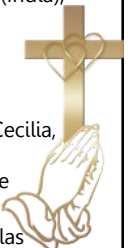
PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Luafa Feagaiga, 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: Benedicta Andres (40 days), Annamma Antony (25yrs), Angelo Bilbao, 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: Jesus A. & Fe L. Opiana, Livi & Fa'alele Kolio, Bhong, Cecille Salas & Family (safe travels), Del Rosario Family, Livi & Fa'alele Kolio, Fa'auma Leiatatau (Recovery)

Birthdays: Gurlie Ruki, Lydia L, Jordan Puleitu



PARISH COLLECTIONS

25th JULY 2023
1st Collection: \$3,388.50
2nd Collection: \$1,416.30

BUILDING FUND UPDATE

Year to Date, our loan balance is now sitting at \$1,855,503.00 ; Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our 2nd Collection.

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD
6th AUGUST 2023

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	PROJECTOR	<p>Thank you to all our ministry Volunteers for your service to our Parish!</p> <p>Please contact Thomas for any roster queries: coordinator @flatbushcatholic.org.nz</p>
5:00PM	Natasha Martis	Marianne Mudaliar	Gabbie Dungog	Thomas George	Owen Tamayo	
			Sydney Santos	Lydia Lobo		
		Ton Quiballo	Beatrice Basilio	Louis Magallanes		
			Eden Feagaiga			
8:30AM	Penina Schmidt	Cedric Piggim	Ariana Hall	Joaquin Fallar	Daniel Pereira	
			Colin Kirkwood	Jana Lopez		
		Nicola Crestanello	Makayla Morris	J L Lopez		
			Jas Lopez			
10:30AM	Ysabel Kis-ing	Rosalina Abrugena	Brea Baring	Grace Chiu	George Hayes	
			Jacen Mejica	Hannah Dangatan		
			Arwyn Batungbakai	Tess Elepano		
		Lesley Dickson	Sophie Cong	Virginia Lesa-Toala		
			Cian Da Silva	Alisa Magele - Rees		
				Lou Garcia		
			Thea Garcia			

WORLD YOUTH DAY AUCKLAND 2023

Join in for an incredible experience at World Youth Day Auckland 2023! Young people aged 13-30yrs old (and their youth leaders!) are invited to join us at Sancta Maria College for this unforgettable celebration of our Catholic Faith.

Get ready for uplifting music, inspiring speakers, mass with Bishop Steve Lowe, a delicious (FREE) dinner, reconciliation, adoration and HUNDREDS of young people

Sunday 6 August, 2pm - 8.30pm.

St Luke's Youth & Young Adults to gather here at the Parish Lounge at **1.30pm** to walk over together as a group with the Parish Youth banner. Please scan the QR code to register with **SLYFLATBUSH**.



ST LUKE'S PARISH CORPORATE DINNER

Hosted by the St Luke's Samoan Community



**Sat 26th Aug 2023
6pm - 11pm
Sancta Maria College
Auditorium**

319 Te Irrirangi Drive,
Flat Bush

Table of 8 \$1,000 or \$125
per ticket.

Limited seats
available.

The Dinner Committee are
also looking for Sponsors.

Enquire now with the
parish office.

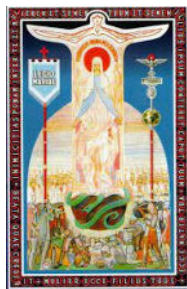
LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary at St Lukes Parish invites you all for an upcoming Legion promotion:

Sat 19th & Sun 20th August,
In the parish foyer, after each Mass.

OUR LADY WAITS FOR YOUR RESPONSE

****JOIN HER LEGION****



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.

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 have started but 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.

MORNING TEA

A huge Thank you to the

Kiwi & Other Nationals Community for hosting morning tea last week. It was a great celebration for the celebration of Fr Ezio's 60th Anniversary since his priesthood ordination.



The Kiwi & Other Nationals welcome anyone wanting to serve our parish community so do not hesitate to get in touch with the Leaders: Michelle & Doreen.

Contact details are listed on the

CARING MASS

1 August, 11.30am

Please join Bishop Steve and the Foundation team for the Caring Mass at Christ the King Church, 260 Richardson Rd, Owairaka.

All are warmly welcome!

MCAULEY HIGH 60TH JUBILEE

To all the past students: Please join in celebrating the school's 60th Jubilee on

Saturday 23rd September.

For more information, please email:

alumni@mcauleyhigh.school.nz

Poster located in the parish foyer noticeboard.

SMCPS ENOLMENTS

Enrolments for 2024 close on 31 August 2023.

If you have a child who is turning 5 years of age next year (2024) it is time to collect an Application Pack from the school office, Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 3.00pm. Further information can be found on the

website: www.sanctamariaprimary.school.nz

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!!