

**26TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME
01.10.2023**

First Reading
Ezekiel 18: 25-28
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 25: 4-9
Second Reading
Philippians 2: 1-11
Gospel
Matthew 21: 28-32

EXPLORING THE WORD

The readings for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A focus on staying on the path of discipleship. When we do sin, we need to turn back to God. He will show us the way. It requires a humble heart to admit we have sinned and seek to get back on the right path. Christ is our model of obedience and humility. The Gospel presents a parable of two sons - one who initially refuses but later obeys, and the other who agrees but doesn't follow through. This story emphasizes the value of actions over words and highlights true obedience. It correlates with the lesson plan titled "Actions Speak Louder than Words," which teaches about honoring commitments and the impact of deeds. The plan uses the parable from Matthew's Gospel to guide participants in understanding the concept of genuine obedience and its connection to faith and community contributions.

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

Readings for 08.10.2023

27TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

First Reading
Isaiah 5: 1-7
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 80: 8, 11-15, 18-19
Second Reading
Philippians 4: 6-9
Gospel
Matthew 21: 33-43

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE

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NEW PARISH BANK ACCOUNTS

FLAT BUSH BUILDING

02-0108-0708780-03

FLAT BUSH PARISH

02-0108-0708780-00

Particulars: *First Name* Code: *Last Name*
Ref: *Contact number*

**BUILDING FUND
UPDATE**

loan balance is
\$1,745,503.00
Thank you for supporting
our 2nd Collection.

**COLLECTIONS
24th SEPTEMBER 2023**

1st Collection:
\$2,852.30
2nd Collection:
\$971.90

**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 getting married?
Please book your Diocesan Marriage Preparation course
www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/our-courses/
For more information email:
marriageandfamily@cda.org.nz
Gerry M:021 0224 7442 / gerrys@cda.org.nz

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 be an admin charge. Your original certificate is free of charge, please keep it in a safe place.
Enquire with the Parish Office

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Margaret Warham, Joseph Peter Pereira (India), Bonifacia Leechin Ortega (Philippines), Joan (South Africa), James, Joseph Peter Pereira, Felipa Rima Carranceja, Sesilia Samu, Phuoc Ngo, Jill Agnew, Walter Moran
Anniversaries of Death: T.P Joseph (1st), Geoffrey Cruz, Professor Anselm (1st yr) Reynaldo Rafael Abas Sr. (1yr), Yvette Lawrence (5yrs), Paul Mathias (5yrs), Lilia Gamboa (2yrs), Sotero Cruz (2yrs), Wilialma Diwa Antonio (40 days), Francis Joseph (5yrs), Jesusa G. Clemente (6yrs), Deacon Gilbert Jimmie (14yrs), Joe Jugo (12th), Bonifacio, Rob Shennan (1yr), Pablito Santos.
Special Intentions: Maria & Denis (Wedding Anniversary), Rosalie Leal (Recovery), Lesa Tominiko (Illness Samoa), Daniel Lim Hock Khee (Birthday), Helena Lee (Wedding Ann. & Recovery from Surgery), Aaron Chan (Birthday), Anne (Thanksgiving & Health of Family), Meggue Cruz (Thanksgiving)



**27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8th OCTOBER 2023**

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	PROJECTOR
5:00PM	Vernon Velayo	Natasha Martis	Sydney Santos	Julyan Balicao	Oliver Tamayo
			Beatrice Basilio	Joseph George	
		Marianne Mudaliar	Trisha Faye De Jesus	Lydia Lobo	
			Shane Fernandes		
8:30AM	Nathan Pereira	Cedric Piggion	Makayla Morris	Herschele Hendricks	Joaquin Fallar
			Jodek Lopez	Sue Kubala	
		Penina Schmidt	Caying Ramos	Jana Lopez	
			Colin Kirkwood		
10:30AM	Joey Lazatin	Lesley Dickson	Rylie Lesoa	Mary Wong Ling	Andre Bautista
			Devon Mah-kwan	Don Velasco	
			Mercy Magele-Rees	Doris Shennan	
	Kara Schmidt	Alexis Pender	Marina De Silva		
		Julius Pender	Lily Tanyag		
			Narciso Tanyag		
			Shaad Karmani		

Thank you to all our ministry Volunteers for your service to our Parish!
Please contact Thomas for any roster queries:



coordinator
@flatbushcatholic.org.nz

NEW SUNDAY 5PM MASS

Due to our growing numbers at our parish, especially at our 10.30AM Mass time, the Parish Council, Liturgy Committee & Parish Office has requested permission from the Bishop to introduce a 4th Sunday Mass Time of 5PM on Sunday evening. The Bishop has granted this request and our new Mass time will start on **Sunday 15th October**.

We appreciate your patience and understanding during the coordinating and adjusting of this new Mass time.

CANDLE MASS

In preparation for our upcoming Candle Mass in November, if you would like to share a photo of your loved one that has passed on in the past 12 months, please email Joseph by the

30th Oct: assistant@flatbushcatholic.org.nz

These images will be part of the slideshow presentation to display at all our Candle Mass times.

Thank you in advance.

THANK YOU

A big Thank you to both Fr Terry from Our Lady Star of the Sea (Howick) & Fr David Dowling from the Holy Cross Seminary for presiding at Masses while Fr Craig is away.

Thank you for being here with us!

ETHNIC CHAPLAINCIES ANNUAL FESTIVAL

It's all happening at Sancta Maria School & St Luke's Church, Flatbush, Sat 7th – Sun 8th October 2023. The Ethnic faith communities will once again Rise Up and Shine showcasing their "riches of nations" in Food, Sport, Cultural Show, and celebration of the Mass in the diverse colour, language and peoples. Book this date! Get involved in your ethnic communities! Participate in the beautiful message of Isaiah 60. Rise and Shine! It is the Ethnic Chaplaincies Rise Up and Shine Festival Time! See you there!

Flyer located on the parish noticeboard in the foyer.

SPONSORSHIP ATTENDANCE DUE for struggling families

In these times of financial hardship some of our families are struggling to pay the compulsory fee to attend Sancta Maria Catholic Primary School. If you are in a position to assist financially to help a family in our parish this year with payment of Attendance Dues kindly see Fr Craig or email:

office@flatbushcatholic.org.nz

Attendance Dues for 1 Term is \$122.00 or full year is \$488.00. Your generosity is appreciated.



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.

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

Please note that the next intake for the children's sacramental program for 2023/2024 will take place with

2 registration dates:

Wednesday 18th October - 7pm

Sunday 22nd October - 12pm

here at our St Luke's Church.

(For children aged 8yrs and older by 01.10.23)

This is a compulsory 1-hour formation and registration session **for parents and caregivers only**.

*If you would like to register your child to prepare for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion, you must attend **this** session.

Your child does not need to attend this session.

*If your child was not baptised at St Luke's Church, you **MUST** bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate during registration.

*Registration fee is \$75.00 per child for all 3 Sacraments. This covers expenses for books, stationery and other expenses throughout the Sacramental Program.

YOUR VOTE COUNTS

**AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND
GENERAL ELECTION 14 OCTOBER 2023**



"The Justice and Peace Commission of the Catholic Diocese of Auckland has put together this leaflet to consider some election issues in the light of our faith. The Gospels and Catholic Social Teaching point to a care and concern for our neighbours especially the poor and vulnerable. This is what should inform our vote."

– Bishop Steve Lowe

LEGION OF MARY

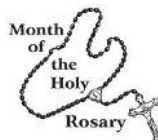
The Legion of Mary meet and pray every week **Wednesday 7- 8.30pm**, here at the parish.

If you would like to have the Legion of Mary Mother statue visit your home

please contact Maria Denis on 021 991 833.

This service is open for everyone.

MONTH OF THE ROSARY



For the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, all are welcome to pray the rosary as a parish next **Saturday 7th Oct 8.30am** before the 9AM Mass.

COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR

Limited copies available from the Parish Office \$12.

FRIDAY 1.30PM MASS

There will be no Friday afternoon mass during the Term 3 school holidays.

Thank you for your understanding.