

**22ND SUNDAY IN ORD TIME
03.09.2023**

First Reading
Jeremiah: 20, 7-9
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 63: 1-8
Second Reading
Romans 12: 1-2
Gospel
Matthew 16: 21-27

EXPLORING THE WORD

The readings for the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A focus on our natural longing for God. In the first reading Jeremiah realizes he cannot escape his burning desire for God. Jeremiah affirms his commitment to proclaiming God's message despite the challenges. This reflects the determination to persevere in one's calling, even in the face of adversity. The second reading encourages believers to present themselves as living sacrifices to God. This emphasizes the idea of offering one's whole life in dedicated service to God. We must allow ourselves to be transformed to be one with Christ. And in the gospel Jesus explains that following him means making sacrifices. The gospel highlights Jesus' prediction of His own suffering, death, and resurrection. This emphasizes the sacrificial aspect of His mission. Are we willing to do what it takes to be a disciple?
(resource from <https://young-catholics.com>)

**Readings for 10.09.2023
23RD SUNDAY IN ORD TIME**

First Reading
Ezekiel 33: 7-9
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 95: 1-2, 6-9
Second Reading
Romans 13: 8-10
Gospel
Matthew 18: 15-20

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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 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: David Musham, Phuoc Ngo, Jill Agnew, Joaquin Vmayao, Walter Moran, Beverly Bracken, Hosea Trevino, Luafa Feagaiga, Sia Liong Ting, Kevin Sitten, Egbert Carvalho, Christine Chong, Michael Joseph Hannah
Anniversaries of Death: Francis Joseph (5yrs), Jesusa G. Clemente (6yrs), Deacon Gilbert Jimmie (14yrs), Jose Luis Trevino Castillo (1 month), Joe Jugo (12th), Bonifacio, Rob Shennan (1yr), Shee Lai-Ying (26 yrs), Dulce Catayas, Jose Catayas Senior, Mark O'Callaghan (5th), Elpidio Pitogo (1st), Lilly & Paul Mathias, Valderma Meyers (1month), Chloe, Lorena, Delfin Calampiano, Emelita Velayo (2nd), Serafin de Ocampo, Janet Netto, Pablito Santos.
Special Intentions: Joseph Chin (illness), Arwyn Batungbakal (Birthday), Lene Fua Siu, Gina (Birthday); Bobby Ganiyas (health recovery), Peter Kim (Health)



PARISH COLLECTIONS

27th AUGUST 2023
1st Collection: \$2,768.10
2nd Collection: \$1,147.10

BUILDING FUND UPDATE

Year to Date, our loan balance is now sitting at \$1,850,503.00 ; Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our 2nd Collection.

**23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
10th SEPTEMBER 2023**

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	PROJECTOR	Thank you to all our ministry Volunteers for your service to our Parish! Please contact Thomas for any roster queries: coordinator @flatbushcatholic.org.nz
5:00PM	Mariane Mudaliar	Cyril Siasoco	Jimah Hernandez	Louis Magallanes	Owen	
			Jacob Hernandez	Lydia Lobo		
		Natasha Martis	Chase Dylan Lardizabal	Jacob Mukkada	Tamayo	
			Maryjane Wong Ling			
8:30AM	Tongan Community	Penina Schmidt	Henri Morris	Herschele Hendricks	Lynn Hunkin	
			Daniel Pereira	Fehoko Kauhalaniua		
		Benita Pereira	Caying Ramos	Megan Noronha		
			Colin Kirkwood			
10:30AM	Blace Sayas	Kara Schmidt	Chloe Park	Rohan Rodrigues	Andre Bautista & George Hayes	
			Kurt Factor	George Dio		
			Josh Lazatin	Bernadette-Rose Tominiko		
		Jimel Mejica	Alistar Bautista	Allison Serdenia		
			Kathrina Bacay	Hannah Dangatan		
				Tess Elepano		
Lou Garcia						

ST LUKE'S PARISH CORPORATE DINNER

Hosted by the St Luke's Samoan Community

St Luke's Catholic Parish would like to acknowledge and thank all our families and friends that supported our corporate dinner fundraising event held last week on 26 August 2023.

A special thanks all our sponsors who contributed immensely to the success of this event.

Your generous support is deeply appreciated.

Gold Sponsors:

PacificEzy, Moana Rentals, Digicel,
Ben's Specialist Carriers

Silver Sponsors:

Matavanu Electrical Services, SMI Hardware,
Orator Hotel Samoa, Salote Florist

Bronze Sponsors:

Samoa Realty Ltd, Jovi Studio,
ProDesigners Architects Ltd, The Pacific Business Hub
Yvapa Panel & Paint, Johnson Paul Lawyers
Solidity Financial Services, Fitfamily

Another successful event raising a total of \$35K towards our Building fund.

Fa'afetai, Fa'afetai tele lava!

HOWICK MASS TIME CHANGE

There has been a recent change in the Mass times for the Howick Parish: Our Lady, Star of the Sea

Saturday: 6.30pm Vigil
Sunday: 9am & 5.30pm

PARISH BANK ACC UPDATE

The bank account numbers that many of you donate into have changed to the below details:

Parish Account 02-0108-0708780-000

(Operating costs such as power, cleaning, staff)

Building Fund Account 02-0108-0708780-003

(Goes toward the payments of the mortgage and also the long-term upkeep of the church building)

Particulars: *First Name* **Code:** *Last Name*

Ref: *Contact number*

Note: Disregard the banking details on the back of the newsletter. Our old bank accounts will close at the end of the month of August.

We wish to encourage, those that can, to think about the amount of your donations and perhaps adjust the donation a little to reflect the current times. These collections are the main source of income for our church, and we thank you all, every little bit helps.

Warm Blessings from the St Lukes Parish Finance Committee.

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.

MARY VISITS LUKE LAUNCH

You are all invited to our **Living Rosary Event** to launch the 11th year cycle of the

Mary Visits Luke Family Rosary Program.

Saturday, 17th of September 2023

St Luke's Parish Church - 3PM.

This is a great opportunity for families and friends to gather around and pray in a giant life-size Rosary.

Registration will be available in the foyer from next week, alternatively you can email:

maryvisitsluke@gmail.com



"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you." ~ Exodus 20:12

CONFIRMATION ONLY ENQUIRES

The parish is planning on providing a course For those who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation either teenagers or adults. Enquire with Christina (new Pastoral Coordinator) from the Parish Office.

ELECTION FORUM

Auckland Catholic Diocese, Justice and Peace Commission & Caritas Aotearoa NZ is hosting an **"ELECTION FORUM"** at St Anne's Community

THEME FOR THE EVENING:

"What kind of Nation do we want?"

Address: St Anne's Parish, 126 Russell Road,
Manurewa

Date: Thursday Sep 14, 2023

Time: 6.30pm - 9pm

Contact person: Deacon Sanele 0272673210

Where we come together to raise our concerns on the issues that are affecting our Community and Society "We are Connected" says Pope Francis.

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!

If you want to be involved in the organising/volunteer email louisar@cda.org.nz.

Flyer located on the parish noticeboard in the foyer.