

**29TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME
22.10.2023**

First Reading
Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 96: 1, 3-5, 7-10
Second Reading
1 Thessalonians 1: 1-5
Gospel
Matthew 22: 15-21

EXPLORING THE WORD

In today's Gospel Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem continue their tense exchange of questions and challenges. At this point the disciples of the Pharisees, together with the Herodians, try to entrap Jesus by their question about the payment of taxes. Jesus takes his response one step further. He asks that his questioners examine the coin. Agreeing that it is Caesar's image on the coin, Jesus tells them that it must belong to Caesar. Avoiding the question of lawfulness altogether, Jesus answers their question with simple logic. Then, going further still, Jesus tells them that their obligation is to pay to God that which belongs to God. Jesus' response to the Herodians and Pharisees suggests the ethic that Christians ought to adopt. It reminds us of the importance of keeping things in their proper perspective. Do we attach ourselves to worldly things at the expense of the love and honor that we owe to God?

(Source: Loyola Express)

**Readings for 29.10.2023
30TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME**

First Reading
Exodus 22:20-26
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 18:2-4,47,51
Second Reading
1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10
Gospel
Matthew 22:34-40

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Wayne Cammell, Thomas Pereira, Fr Craig, Celia Hunkin, Harold Ballicao, Arlene Pereira, Arturo C.M.

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Gloria T, Bong d. V, Fr Craig, Claire R, Allan S, Judith V, Leanne B, Justin D, Manu L, Allan Stowers, Leanne Brighouse.

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*

The old bank accounts from the back of the newsletter have been closed.

BUILDING FUND UPDATE

loan balance is
\$1,744,503.00
Thank you for supporting our 2nd Collection.

**COLLECTIONS
8th OCTOBER 2023**

1st Collection:
\$3,232.70
2nd Collection:
\$1,113.30

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

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

Check it out on our Parish website or scanning this QR Code.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US !!!



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

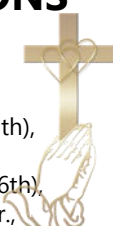
PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Tarcisio Leonila, Margaret Warham, Bonifacia Leechin Ortega (Philippines), Joan (South Africa), Joseph Peter Pereira, Felipa Rima Carranceja, Sesilia Samu, Phuoc Ngo, Jill Agnew.

Anniversaries of Death: Arcio Casing (40 days), Viraj Vijay Misquitta (1 mnth), Monica Kong, Jag, John Lim, Anne Abbot, Alice Lim, Lawrence Lim, Anastasie Razanabohitra (10th), Salud & Modesta Manaloto, Teresita Arellano (6th), Paul Chim, Jag, Lee Sim Leong, Mary Lee SF, Junior, Nehra, Junie, Chloie, Jose Sr., Jose Jr., Christopher King (2nd), Jose Trevino (2months), T.P Joseph (1st), Pablito Santos,.

Special Intentions: Pafusi Lo (Hospice), Mala (sickness), Helena Lee (recovery), Rosalie Leal (recovery), Lesa Tominioko (illness Samoa), Margarita Basco (recovery).

Birthdays: Cristeta Casas (Heavenly Birthday), Denis Kumar & Charles Denis, Angela & Family, Dorothy Chua & Family, Francesca Lim, Ginette Ling, Elizabeth NG, Paige & Piers Lim, Theresa.



**30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
29 OCTOBER 2023**

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	PROJECTOR
5:00PM	Patricia Smith	Lydia Lobo	Jakob Bolante	Joseph Mukkada	Zachary Guevara
		Sean Carlos	Gabbie Dungog	Irene Siasoco	
8:30AM	Niel Kulkarni	Madel de Vera	Chase Dylan Lardizabal	Owen Tamayo	Semisi Paletua
			Mikhail Magayanes	Makerita Ropati	
		Johannes Klaessens	Colin Kirkwood	Michelle Smith	
10:30AM	Ysabel Kis-ing	Mike Parcon	Daniel Pereira	Ane Kauhalaniaua	Devon Hayes
			Caying Ramos	Faapine Pupualii	
			Chloe Park	Rohan Rodrigues	
		Joey Lazatin	Kurt Factor	George Dio	
			Josh Lazatin	Bernadette-Rose Tominioko	
			Alistar Bautista	Tess Elepano	
Kathrina Bacay	Virginia Lesa-Toala	Alisa Magele - Rees			

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

Don't forget our new Mass time has been introduced.
Sunday 5pm.

CANDLE MASS

In preparation for our upcoming Candle Mass on the weekend of the 4th & 5th November, if you would like to share a photo of your loved one that has passed on in the past 12 months, these images will be part of the slideshow presentation to display at all our Candle Mass times. You will also be invited to light a special candle for your loved one. please email Joseph *the photo and indicate a Mass time that you will attend by* **30th OCT**
assistant@flatbushcatholic.org.nz
Thank you in advance.

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS - NOVEMBER 2023

For the month of November, we will remember the Holy Souls at all Masses including Candle Sunday Mass
4-5 Nov 2023.

Please click to the link or scan the QR code below to add names of your loved ones.
bit.ly/holysouls2023

There will also be a box stationed in the front of the altar.



FOOD STALL

Huge thanks and congrats to St Luke's Filipino Community for hosting Food Stall Fundraiser last weekend.
A whopping Grand total of \$6874 was raised!

We acknowledge the Filipino Food Businesses, groups in the parish and generous families and individuals who supported the event:

1. NATALIA'S KITCHEN
2. KRISTINA'S KITCHEN
3. KUSINA NI JOSH
4. 5M TRADING
5. CFC SOUTH CHAPTER
6. BREAD OF LIFE CHOIR
7. ST FRANCIS CHOIR
8. CHERUBIMS CHOIR
9. CFC HANDMAIDS OF THE LORD

The next Food Stall will on **Sunday 19 November 2023**, hosted by St Luke's Tongan Community.
If any Tongan parishioners would like to be involved, please contact the leaders listed on the foyer noticeboard.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Religious Christmas cards are available from the Parish Office
\$15 for a pack of 5 or \$2 ea.



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.

VACANCY - PARISH COORDINATOR

The Parish of St Luke's in Flat Bush is on the hunt for a Parish Coordinator to join the team.
As one of the largest growing parishes in Auckland, we wish to employ a person for 25-30 hours a week as the parish 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 Masses.

Applicants should be active Catholics and able to partake in the full sacramental life of the church, with theological formation (preferred). Ideally the applicant would have a good grasp of social media.

Good communication, strong planning and organization skills are essential. Applicants must have the right to work in NZ and have a NZ drivers licence. For more information, please contact the Parish Priest, Fr Craig Dunford by email
office@flatbushcatholic.org.nz

COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR

Limited copies available from the Parish Office. **\$12 each.**



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.

The **Pompallier Diocesan Centre**, 30 New St, St Mary's Bay is a service hub for the diocese. And a mystery to many. On the 9 November from 4.00-7.30pm you are invited to an **Open Home**. It will be an opportunity to engage with staff, explore some of the archival treasure, enjoy a snack, purchases liturgical resources and more.

RUTH MILLER SCHOLARSHIP at TE KUPENGA CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Bishop Stephen Lowe, the Catholic Bishop of Auckland, is pleased to call for applications for the **Ruth Miller Scholarship** for study at Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College. This scholarship will be available for a selected number of people who intend to do one or more theology papers at Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College towards a Bachelor of Theology degree in 2024. For further information about this scholarship and to receive an application form, please email: scholarships@cda.org.nz.
The closing date for applications is 18 NOV 2023