

31ST SUNDAY IN ORD TIME 05.11.2023

First Reading
Malachi 1:14b—2:2b,8-10
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 131:1-3
Second Reading
1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9,13
Gospel
Matthew 23:1-12

EXPLORING THE WORD

Matthew's Gospel reflects aspects of the conflict between his Christian community and Pharisaic Judaism. Matthew's Church is thought to have included many Jewish Christians who may not have believed that a break with the synagogue was necessary to be a follower of Jesus. Jesus tells the crowd that it is correct to do and observe what the scribes and Pharisees teach; it is their example that is to be avoided, namely, their love of being honored and exalted. Hence, the Gospel reflects the tension of an active internal debate within the early Church.

The warning Jesus gives against seeking places of honor in the community was directed as much toward the Christian community as the named Jewish leaders. Indeed, it is a warning that resonates with us today. Christian leadership is a call to service for the glory of God; those who would be leaders among us must, like Jesus, be servants of all. *(Source: Loyola Express)*

Readings for 12.11.2023 32ND SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

First Reading
Wisdom 6:12-16
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 63:2,3-4,5-6,7-8
Second Reading
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Gospel
Matthew 25:1-13

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE

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

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FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

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

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:
\$3,171.90
2nd Collection:
\$996.50

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: Peter Kim, Fa'atuai Imeleta Penn, Lesa Tominiko (Samoa), Tarcisio Leonila, Margaret Warham, Bonifacia Leechin Ortega (Philippines), Joan (South Africa), Joseph Peter Pereira, Felipa Rima Carranceja, Sesilia Samu, Phuoc Ngo.

Anniversaries of Death: Glenn Batimana, A. C. Antony, Jose Luis Trevino (3 months), Felicito Guiyab (7th), Minda Sevilano, Gloria Daclan, Ramon Elepano (1st), Ester, Fasavalu Parker, 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, Chloe, Jose Sr., Jose Jr., Pablito Santos,.

Special Intentions: Gloria Francisco (Sick), Jacob, Bon, Ronan & Robin's Family, For souls most in need of God's mercy, Gerald Tan & Family, Pafusi Lo (Hospice), Mala (sickness), Rosalie Leal (recovery), Margarita Basco (recovery).



32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 12 NOVEMBER 2023

5:00PM	Rebecca Guarin	Ton Quiballo	Zach Nguyen	Mary Corboy	Owen Tamayo
		Natasha Martis	Asher Nguyen	Joseph George	
8:30AM	SMCPS	Joey Lazatin	Gianna Prasad-Khan	Thomas George	Lynn Hunkin
		SMCPS	Sydney Santos	Alisa Magele - Rees	
			Roger Wong Ling	Daniel Pereira	
			Anthony Enxiang Xu	Claire Raubenheimer	
10:30AM	Ysabel Kis-ing	Cherrie Lapaz	Gina Benade	Esperanza Reyes	
			Junior Wong Ling		
			Mary Wong Ling		
		Mike Parcon	Erin Gizelle Taruc		
			Samuel Dsouza		Rohan Rodrigues
			Kurt Factor		Marina De Silva
Andrei Johan Isiro	Lily Tanyag				
Helen Lesa	Narciso Tanyag				
Devon Mah-kwan	Shaad Karmani				
			Faapine Pupualii		
			George Dio		

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



coordinator
@flatbushcatholic.org.nz

ADVERTISING IN THE PARISH NEWSLETTER - 1 spot available only

We are about to pre-print our newsletter for the next 6 months. If you would like to support the parish and have your business advertised on the back of the parish newsletter, please confirm a spot ASAP with Ambi at INKPRINT 09 441 6011. Reference St Luke's Parish, Flat Bush.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE 2023 IS COMING!

Our parish's 2nd Raffle of the year will start next week on Sunday 12 NOV 2023. This fundraiser event goes towards the benefit of the church building fund.

Stay tuned for the prizes and the raffle draw date on Sunday 17 DEC 2023!

We are looking for more helpers to sell raffle tickets in the foyer at 10:30am Sunday Mass.

Please contact the parish office to get involved!



JOIN ST LUKES YOUTH FOR
GAME NIGHT
SAT 18 NOV • 6:00PM
260 CHAPEL RD, FLAT BUSH - ST LUKES CHURCH
IN THE CHURCH LOUNGE - RSVP WITH QR CODE



THEME: CHRISTMAS PYJAMA PARTY
POTLUCK STYLE - PLEASE BRING A PLATE OF FOOD TO SHARE

FOOD STALL

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
Alo Puleanga 021 175 6953
Soana Kauhalaniua 021 173 6978

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

We will remember the Holy Souls at all Masses. 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.



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

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

St Luke's Fundraising Committee is seeking for new members who are enthusiastic, creative with a can-do attitude about raising funds to join the team. Please contact the Parish Office for more info.

office@flatbushcatholic.org.nz
We can't wait to hear from you!

HOLY COMMUNION WILL REMAIN UNDER ONE KIND

The Parish Liturgy Committee has met and confirmed moving forward, Holy Communion will remain under one kind and people are asked to receive Communion on the hand before consuming the host.

We thank you for your continued understanding!

PARISH WORKING BEE SAT 9 DEC 10AM

A great opportunity to serve and spruce up the grounds in time for Christmas. Please bring gardening equipment to weed, trim hedges, water blaster to wash exterior windows, cloths/rags for dusting and cleaning inside the church.

And of course the elbow grease.
Sausage sizzle will be provided at the end.
Your support will be greatly appreciated!

CHRISTMAS CARDS

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

