# **4TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 28.01.2024**

#### First Reading

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 **Responsorial Psalm** Psalm 95:1-2,6-7,7-9

**Second Reading** 

1 Corinthians 7: 32-35

Gospel

Mark 1: 21-28

#### **EXPLORING THE WORD**

Today's readings invites us to recognize Jesus and grant him authority in our lives. The first reading of Deuteronomy, Moses foretells the coming of a mighty prophet and emphasizes the importance of heeding true prophetic voices that convey God's will and truth. Psalm 95 calls for joyful praise and worship of God, recognizing Him as our creator and guide. It emphasizes listening to God's voice and avoiding the hard-heartedness of our ancestors, underscoring the importance of obedience to divine guidance. The reading from 1 Corinthians discusses the states of married and unmarried life, highlighting how the unmarried can focus more directly on pleasing the Lord. The Gospel tells how the people were amazed by the way Jesus taught with authority.

### 5th SUN ORD TIME 04.02.2024

First Reading

Job 7: 1-4, 6-7

**Responsorial Psalm** 

Psalm 147: 1-6

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 9: 16-19, 22-23

Gospel

Mark 1:29-39

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE: Wayne Cammell, Thomas Pereira, Fr Craig, Celia Hunkin, Harold Ballicao, Arturo Chan Mow, Arlene Pereira.

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**LITURGY COMMITTEE:** Thomas Pereira, Alzira Rodrigues, Fr Craig, Shaad Karmani, Cora Noblejas, Errol Aviet, Celia Hunkin, Cherrie Lapaz, Joval Moredo, Patricia Smith.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE: Gloria Trevino, Bong De Vera, Allan S, Judith V, Manu Latu, Fr Craig.

#### ST LUKE'S CULTURAL LEADERS

Filipino Community: Cora Noblejas, Erna Balbas, Harold Balicao, Nieda Chiu, Joval Moredo, Cherrie

Samoan Community: Allan Stowers, Tuala Ben Silva, Leanne Brighouse, Judith Vitolio, Arturo C.M. Tongan Community: Soana Kauhalaniua, Sioeli Vaiangaina, Alo Puleanga.

Indian Community: Jose Paul, David Singh. Kiwi & Other Nationals: Michelle Cammell, Doreen Wakefield, Mike Pope.

# **BUILDING FUND UPDATE**

loan balance is \$1,620,503.00

Thank you for supporting our 2nd Collection.

### **COLLECTIONS** 21 JANUARY 2023

1st Collection: \$3,277,40 2nd Collection: \$1.150.80

## **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: Gualberto ILao

Anniversaries of Death: Bonifacio Digaum (1yr), Ester Nisperos, Se Opiana (14<sup>th</sup>), Nila Lavilla, Bernard & Melissa Williams, Jun Corpuz, Pablito Santo

**Special Intentions:** All teachers & students returning to school, Lim Family (Thanksgiving), Jun & Ann (Wedding Ann.)

**Birthdays:** Ane Kauhalaniua, Soane Puleanga.

# 5TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - 5 FEBRUARY 2024

COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	AV
5:00PM VIGIL Sean Carlos	Vernon Velayo	Roger Wong Ling	Crisha Cruz	Oliver Tamayo
		Boston McFall	Mary Corboy	
	Rebecca Guarin	Zach Nguyen	Joseph George	
		Asher Nguyen		
8:30AM Madel de Vera	Genevieve Fer- nandes	Phillip Ah Kau	Allan Ah Kau	Siosiana Paletua
		Calvin Chong	Sage Fernandes	
	Niel Kulkarni	Hezekiah Faletagoai	Janet Kulkarni	
		Ariana Hall		
10:30AM Ysabel Kis-ing	Alexa Lazatin	Alistar Bautista	Johnathan Aviet	George Hayes
		Kathrina Bacay	Emilie Jean Abuyan	
		Brea Baring	Jean Balicao	
	Joey Lazatin	Arwyn Batungbakal	Grace Chiu	
		Sophie Cong	Hannah Dangatan	
			Tess Elepano	
			Virginia Lesa-Toala	
	Sean Carlos Madel de Vera	Sean Carlos  Rebecca Guarin  Genevieve Fernandes  Niel Kulkarni  Alexa Lazatin  Ysabel Kis-ing	Sean Carlos    Vernon Velayo   Roger Wong Ling	Sean Carlos    Vernon Velayo   Boston McFall   Mary Corboy     Rebecca Guarin   Zach Nguyen   Joseph George     Asher Nguyen   Asher Nguyen     Allan Ah Kau   Allan Ah Kau     Calvin Chong   Sage Fernandes     Ariana Hall   Alistar Bautista   Johnathan Aviet     Kathrina Bacay   Emilie Jean Abuyan     Brea Baring   Jean Balicao     Arwyn Batungbakal   Grace Chiu     Hannah Dangatan     Tess Elepano

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coordinator latbushcatholic. org.nz



please see the coordinator in the foyer before mass.

# Fr Craig's 22nd ANNIVERSARY OF

**PRIESTHOOD** was Friday 26th January Wishing you wonderful celebration! Thank you for all you do for the parish. Praying 2024 will treat you well!

## **RCIA** and RCIC

A friendly reminder for our RCIA and RCIC Candidates that the programs resumes next Sun 4th Feb, 9.30am.

## FRIDAY 1.30PM MASS

Friday afternoon mass will resume on the 9th February 2024.

# **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 for everyone.

## **WAITANGI DAY 2024 MIHA**

All are welcome to celebration of Mass in Te Reo Māori & English to pray for our nation as we acknowledge the signing of Te Tiriti o Waitangi in 1840. Miha (Mass) will be celebrated at Whaiora Marae, 14 Ōtara Road, Ōtara beginning with a Pōwhiri at 8.30am on Tuesday 6th February 2024. Following Mass there will be refreshments and a talk on Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

For more information email ManuelB@cda.org.nz

# WELCOME NEW PARISH OFFICE STAFF

A very warm welcome to our new staff members to the parish office team:

Fr Larry Rusia will join the Parish as Assistant priest. Fr Larry was ordained a priest at St Patrick's Cathedral n 2011. He has served at a number of parishes in the Auckland Diocese and most recent at St Joseph's Kaitaia as the parish priest for 4 yrs. Fr Larry was born in in the Philippines where his family are located. Fr Larry will join the team in early February.

**Sister Lyra Manalo** will join our parish staff as the new Pastoral Coordinator. She is one of five siblings and is of Filipino descent. Sr Lyra belongs to the Sisters of Mercy NZ religious order and is undergoing studies. Sr Lyra is eager to share her gifts and get to know the St Luke's family.

**Tagiilima Moefana** (Lima for short) has joined our team as the assistant administrator. She is the eldest of three, born in Samoa, raised in South Auckland. Lima has been a parishioner of the St Luke's Parish for many years. Lima is a family orientated person who enjoys travelling and cooking.

All our new staff members are excited to embrace this new opportunity to serve to ever growing and vibrant Community.

# ASH WEDNESDAY

**February 14th** 9am and 7pm

# PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday 6th Feb (Waitangi Day)

# INDIAN COMMUNITY MEETING

If you are of Indian descent, this is your opportunity to get more involved with your parish. The Community are preparing a food stall to share some of the culinary delights of your region. This is also an opportunity for us to assist in the fundraising.

There will be a meeting held on **Sunday 4th Feb at 3.345pm - 4.45pm** here in the parish lounge to plan this event.

## **FOOD STALL FUNDRAISER**

The next parish food stalls will be on **Sunday 18th February 2024** after 8.30am & 10.30am Mass, hosted by St Luke's INDIAN community. **Eftpos & Cash will be available.** 

PLEASE SUPPORT THE CHURCH FUNDRAISING!

## **BAPTISM DATES**

The next baptism date is the **10th February 2024**. Please contact the parish office for more information. **09 359 4750** 

There are no baptisms during Lent from the 14th Feb to 23rd March 2024

# THEOLOGY OF THE BODY FOR TEENS

**Exciting Opportunity for Teenagers!** 

Presenting... Theology of the Body for Teens!
Join us for a 5-part course on St. Pope John Paul II's profound teachings on the meaning of human love, relationships, and the beauty of life!

Dates: February 11, 18, 25, and March 3, 10
Time: 3pm to 6pm
Location: St Mark's Church, Pakuranga

Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to grow spiritually, connect with fellow teens in the East Auckland region, and navigate the journey of life with a solid foundation.

To reserve a spot, the course fee is \$10 which can be made into St Mark's Parish bank account 02-0108-0708684-00 by 7th February with reference [TOB \*full name\*]. Please send a screenshot of your payment to <a href="mailto:annaelizabethgeorge99@gmail.com">annaelizabethgeorge99@gmail.com</a> along with your teen's name and age to confirm their registration.

For more information: Checkout the flyer on the parish noticeboard.