THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 03.03.2024

First Reading
Exodus 17:3-7
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 95:1-2,6-9
Second Reading
Romans 5:1-2,5-8
Gospel
John 4:5-42

EXPLORING THE WORD

In today's Gospel, the initial conversation between Jesus and the woman is better understood if we consider the importance of water, especially in the climate of Israel. The significance of the encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman has many levels. The first is personal: The woman is herself converted to belief in Jesus as Messiah because he knows her sin but speaks with her just the same. The second is social: Having come to know Jesus as the Messiah, the Samaritan woman becomes an evangelist to her own people. The third level of the story is educational: Jesus uses his encounter with the Samaritan woman to teach his disciples that God's mercy is without limit. The disciples return from their shopping quite confused to find Jesus talking with a Samaritan, and a woman at that! But the conversion of the Samaritan townspeople is a foretaste of the kind of open community that will be created among those who believe that Jesus is the Messiah. (Source: Loyola Express)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 10.03.2024 First Reading

1 Samuel 16:1b,6-7,10-13a Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23:1-6

Second Reading

Ephesians 5:8-14 **Gospel**

John 9:1-41

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Indian Community: Jose Paul, David Singh.

Kiwi & Other Nationals: Michelle Cammell, Doreen
Wakefield, Mike Pope.

BUILDING FUND UPDATE

loan balance is **\$1,515,503.00**

Thank you for supporting our 2nd Collection.

COLLECTIONS 25 FEBRUARY 2024

1st Collection: \$3,190.50 2nd Collection: \$1,213.90

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

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



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: Michael Hall, Fa'anānā Efeso Collins Catalina Bato Ybanez, Joel Peranca, Joseph Adriano, (Phillipines), Erwin Abrea (Phillipines), Roland Young, Anniversaries of Death: Perfecto & Florentina, Jose Benedick and All Souls in Purgatory, Jose Luis Trevino (7mnths), Andre Quezet, Irene Hunter, Quincy Silva, Joseph Goh (30th), Artemio Romulo De Villa, Romer Munar, Nieves Nacario, Teresita De Villa, Marita Viking (1st), Edward William Castelino, Simon Lee Maria Yoo, Francis Bang, Joseph Park, Marita Viking (1st), Mama Koteka (29th), Emma Tuazon (1st), Peter Rudd, Chippy Rosales, Chang Yeung (14th), Maximo, Cipriano, Angelina, Minerva, Concepcion, Innocencia, Pablito Santos,

Special Intentions: Theresa & Fea Feagaiga (Anniversary), Rica Limcaoco (successful surgery), Firminus and Family, John & Christina Sakalia Joseph Latunina (Healing), All Grandparents & Ancestors, Constante Ulep (successful operation)

<u>Birthdays:</u> Alfredo Dela Rosa, Keanne Tan (11th), Chloie, Antonina & Maria Lee Hang (72nd), Devon Mah-Kwan (12th), Gennie Rudd (70th)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - 10 MARCH 2024						
TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	AV	
5:00PM	Rebecca Guarin	Kyle Guarin	Zach Nguyen Asher Nguyen	Mary Corboy Joseph George	Owen Tamayo	Thank you to all our ministry
		Natasha Martis	Gianna Prasad-Khan Sydney Santos	rnomas George	Owen ramayo	Volunteers for your service
8:30AM	Genevieve Fernandes	Sharon Naidoo	Calvin Chong	Sage Fernandes	Lynn Hunkin	to our Parish!
			Jodek Lopez	Herschele Hendricks		Please contact
		Shandel Ngan Woo	Mercy McKinney Daniel Pereira	Ane Kauhalaniua		Thomas for any roster queries:
10:30AM	Mike Parcon	Kara Schmidt	Brea Baring	Tess Elepano		Total quantum
			Arwyn Batungbakal	Virginia Lesa-Toala		<u>coordinator</u>
			Sophie Cong	Bernadette-Rose Tominiko		thanks
		Blace Sayas	Cian Da Silva	Alisa Magele-Rees		Chillens
			Jermaine Daclan	Mel Nepomuceno Rita Nepomuceno Melanie Regino		@flatbushcatholic.
5:00PM	Nathan Viegas	Melvin Mathew	Maxie Realon	Sophia Kim	Kimi Realon	<u>org.nz</u>
			Chloe Park	Chant'e Parker		
		Carol Viegas		Sapna Mathews		

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Reconciliation

Every Friday during Lent 6.30pm-7pm

Followed by <u>Stations of the Cross</u>

Every Friday during Lent 7pm-7.30pm

March 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

PARISH RECONCILIATION RITE II

March 14th 2024 at 7pm

HOLY WEEK TIMES 2024

Palm Sunday: Saturday March 23rd at 5pm

Sunday March 24th at 8.30am, 10am, 5pm

Holy Thursday: March 28th at 7pm

Good Friday: March 29th

10am Stations of the Cross 3pm Reading of the Passion and The Veneration of the Cross

Easter Vigil: *March 30th* at 7.30pm

Easter Sunday: March 31st at 8.30am, 10.30am & 5pm

PARKING FOR ALL MASS TIMES

Please make use of the carpark at Sancta Maria Catholic Primary School to alleviate traffic congestion.

CARITAS LENTEN ENVELOPES

During Lent, NZ's Catholic Bishops invite us to provide for the needs of the poor through the work of Caritas. The Bishop's Lenten Appeal has started, the envelopes are on the table in the foyer. You can take an envelope and give once or weekly as you prefer. You may place these envelopes in the usual Sunday collection bag or send a donation directly to Caritas.

BAPTISM DATES

The next baptism date is the **27th April 2024**. Please contact the parish office for more information. **09 359 4750**

THE UPPER ROOM

Young adults, this event is a fantastic opportunity to grab a drink, enjoy some (free) bar snacks, meet other young Catholics, and dive into some relevant topics. Our guest speaker for this Upper Room is Danielle Mourits. Thursday 7th March 7pm at Good George Mission Bay. Tickets \$10. Go to our Facebook page @AKCYM or contact Felicity from |Ministries to Young People at felicity@cda.org.nz for details.

LENTEN EVENING REFLECTION

Come along to an evening of reflective prayer with readings, music, and meditative silence to enrich your Lenten journey. Lenten Evening Reflection on Wed 6 March 7pm–8pm at Mary MacKillop Chapel in Mission Bay. Light refreshments will be served after this time of prayer.

SAMOAN FOOD STALL

If you'd like to contribute to the next food stall, please check the notice board for contact details of the Samoan Committee

PARKING WARDENS

We are looking for volunteers who can redirect traffic for the 8.30am and 10.30am Mass times on Sundays. If you can help or know someone who would like to help then please see an office staff member.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

A reminder that classes have started, please go to your allocated classes of last year.

YOUTH LEADERS MEETING

There is a Youth Leaders Meeting on March 10th after the 5pm Sunday Mass.



3:00PM - 5:00PM OLIVE GROVE GUIDED CAMPUS

GUIDED CAMPUS TOURS & CANAPES \$20 PP 5:00PM - 8:30PM AUDITORIUM LIGHT DINNER GUEST SPEAKERS

\$30 PP

\$50 PP FOR BOTH EVENTS OR \$450 FOR TABLE OF 10

CASH BAR AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT EVENT



To find out more or to register go to sanctamaria.school.nz

