

**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

**EXPLORING THE WORD**

Today's reading has many allusions to Baptism. The healing of the man born blind invites us to focus on the physical and spiritual aspects of sight and light. Through the man's encounter with Jesus, the man born blind is healed, his sight is restored, and his conversion to discipleship begins. This man gradually comes to a greater understanding about who Jesus is and what it means to be his disciple, while the Pharisees (those who should see) are the ones who remain blind. The final revelation and moment of enlightenment comes when the man born blind encounters Jesus again. Having heard the news of his expulsion, Jesus seeks out this man and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man. In this moment, the man born blind shows himself to be a man of faith and worships Jesus. Jesus replies by identifying the irony of the experience of many who encounter Jesus: *Those who are blind will now see, and those who think they now see will be found to be blind.*

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 17.03.2024**

**First Reading**

Ezekiel 37:12-14

**Responsorial Psalm**

Psalm 130:1-8

**Second Reading**

Romans 8:8-11

**Gospel**

John 11:1-45

**PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE:**

Wayne Cammell, Thomas Pereira, Fr Craig, Celia Hunkin, Harold Balicao, Arturo Chan Mow, Arlene Pereira, Filipo Motulalo

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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, Malu Luteru, Litiana Loabuka

**ST LUKE'S CULTURAL LEADERS**

**Filipino Community:** Cora Noblejas, Erna Balbas, Harold Balicao, Niede Chiu, Joval Moredo, Cherrie La Paz.

**Samoan Community:** Allan Stowers, Tuala Ben Silva, Leanne Brighthouse, Judith Vitolio, Arturo C.M. Tongan Community: Soana Kauhalianua, 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 **\$1,515,503.00**  
Thank you for supporting our 2nd Collection.

**COLLECTIONS 03 MARCH 2024**

1st Collection: \$4,105.70  
2nd Collection: \$1,185.00

**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/](http://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**

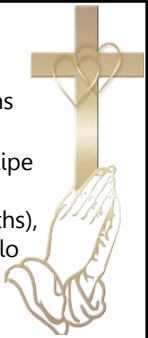
**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MASS INTENTIONS**

**Recently Deceased:** Bob, Suka Naeata, Michael Hall, Fa'anāna Efeso Collins Catalina Bato Ybanez, Joel Peranca, Joseph Adriano, (Phillipines).

**Anniversaries of Death:** Castor Gaabucayan Junior, Ivan Agnew (1st), Felipe Arnaiz, Maximo, Apriano, Angelina and All Souls in Purgatory, Perfecto & Florentina, Jose Benedict 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, Pablito Santos

**Special Intentions:** Helena (successful operation), Mia (Healing), Living Word Group (17th Anniversary, Don & Minnie Velasco, Bridget & Alistair (Wedding)

**Birthdays:** Felisita Faua, Kristine Kazakevics, Denise Felizardo, Maria & Antonina, Jasmine, Devon, Yolanda Lat



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - 17 MARCH 2024**

| TIME    | COMMENTATOR      | READERS             | ALTAR SERVERS                       | COMMUNION                        | AV              |
|---------|------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| 5:00PM  | Zoe Martis       | Ton Quiballo        | Jakob Bolante<br>Beatrice Basilio   | Lydia Lobo<br>Oliver Tamayo      | Zachary Guevara |
|         |                  | Vernon Velayo       | Santiago Duque<br>Mateo Duque       | Owen Tamayo                      |                 |
| 8:30AM  | Niel Kulkarni    | Madel de Vera       | Makayla Morris<br>Henri Morris      | Fehoko Kauhalianua<br>Sue Kubala | Nathan Pereira  |
|         |                  | Semisi Paletua      | Jonarren Pulevaka<br>Colin Kirkwood | Janet Kulkarni                   |                 |
| 10:30AM | Angenith Roche   | Cherrie Lapaz       | Samuel Dsouza                       | Thea Garcia                      | Kelly Cheah     |
|         |                  |                     | Kurt Factor                         | Lou Garcia                       |                 |
|         |                  | Patricia Nepomuceno | Andrei Johan Isiro                  | Cora Noblejas                    |                 |
|         |                  |                     | Edzel Lazatin                       | Rohan Rodrigues                  |                 |
| 5:00PM  | Josie de la Cruz | Lia Tekiteki        | Josh Lazatin                        | Ann Del Rosario                  | Bond Tran       |
|         |                  |                     | Maxie Realon                        | Ethan Siao                       |                 |
|         |                  | Leilani Sakalia     | Chloe Park                          | Marina De Silva                  |                 |
|         |                  |                     |                                     | Miguel Rodrigues<br>Ana Delluta  |                 |
|         |                  |                     |                                     | Theresa Feagaiga                 |                 |

Thank you to all our ministry Volunteers for your service to our Parish!

Please contact Thomas for any roster queries:

*coordinator*



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## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

### Reconciliation

Every Friday during Lent 6.30pm-7pm

Followed by **Stations of the Cross**  
Every Friday during Lent 7pm-7.30pm  
March 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.

## TAX RECEIPTS FOR DONATIONS

As we approach the end of the tax year, we are conscious of everyone who are requesting tax receipts from their donations. Please kindly wait until after Easter then approach our office staff or email us on [office@flatbushcatholic.org.nz](mailto:office@flatbushcatholic.org.nz) and we will process these for you. Thank you for your patience.

## MINISTERS OF THE WORD & HOLY COMMUNION

The Liturgy Centre is offering liturgical ministry workshops across the deaneries, which will cover training/refreshers for Ministers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. These ONE time workshops will consist of context, prayer, and practical formation in these areas. All will receive a certificate at completion, which will be posted to their parish and presented at mass on a chosen date/time. The session will be held on Sunday, April 14th 2024 at St Mark, Pakuranga from 1pm-3pm (with light lunch provided). Register via the link below or contact your parish office/priest: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/liturgy-prayer/formation/>

## BAPTISM DATES

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

## KNEELER STOPPERS

Please do not use the kneelers as footrests as the stoppers for the kneelers are fragile and are not easy to replace. Thank you for your cooperation.

## ST LUKE'S PRAYER GROUP—AVAILABLE EVERY 3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH, AFTER THE 5PM MASS

Are you standing in the need of prayer? After mass, feel free to come for prayer at the back of the church, and meet the team standing at the corners near the exit doors. The team can pray with you for your needs, and stand with you in agreement with the Lord.  
**Matt 18:19-20** - "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in the midst of them"

# 20 YEARS ANNIVERSARY Celebration

join us in celebrating 20 years of Sancta Maria College

## SATURDAY 16 MARCH 2024

3:00PM - 5:00PM  
OLIVE GROVE  
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](http://sanctamaria.school.nz)



## SLY Youth Presents PENS & PRAYERS

NAVIGATING YOUTH NIGHTS WITH PURPOSE

**SUNDAY**  
**17 MARCH 2024**  
**06.00 PM - 7.30 PM**  
ST LUKES CHURCH - LOUNGE

PLEASE BRING A JOURNAL/BOOK & PEN

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