

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT 25.02.2024

First Reading

Genesis 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 116:10,15,16-17,18-19

Second Reading

Romans 8:31b-34

Gospel

Mark 9:2-10

EXPLORING THE WORD

In the Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructs the disciples to keep secret what they have seen until after the Son of Man has risen from the dead. The disciples' confusion continues as they wonder what Jesus means by rising from the dead. We also notice that Peter has reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus rabbi instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding the disciples to obey him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism. We hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection, even as we prepare to remember Jesus' passion and death.

Source: Loyola Express

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

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE:

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

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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, Nieda Chiu, Joval Moredo, Cherrie La Paz.

Samoan Community: Allan Stowers, Tuala Ben Silva, Leanne Brighthouse, Judith Vitolio, Arturo C.M. **Tongan Community:** Soana Kauhalanuia, 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 18 FEBRUARY 2023

1st Collection: \$3,570.40
2nd Collection: \$1,591.60

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: Catalina Bato Ybanez, Joel Peranca, Joseph Adriano (Phillipines), Erwin Abrea (Phillipines), Roland Young, Pearl Dharmai

Anniversaries of Death: 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, All Souls in purgatory especially the forgotten ones, Purificacion Meer (12th), Josephine Freemantle, Sr Malia Iosefina Iosefo SMSM (3rd Ann. Phillipines), Pablitos Santos

Special Intentions: Joseph Latunina (Healing), Rica Limcaoco (Successful), Concepcion Family, Firminus and Family, John & Christina Sakalia, Barry Eaton (Sickness), Maxelorenz (successful surgery) Koreti Gibson, Vincent (Healing & Good health), All Grandparents & Ancestors, Constante Ulep (successful operation)

Birthdays: Miriam Bergonia (64th), Vianney Moefana (8th), David Puri (40th)



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - 03 MARCH 2024

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	AV	
5:00PM	Vernon Velayo	Dominic Carlos	Maryjane Wong Ling	Julyan Balicao	Oliver Tamayo	Thank you to all our ministry Volunteers for your service to our Parish! Please contact Thomas for any roster queries: <i>coordinator</i> <i>thank you</i> <i>@flatbushcatholic.org.nz</i>
			Jirus John Wong Ling	Joshua Araos		
8:30AM	Julia Dutt	Nicola Crestanello	Roger Wong Ling	Crisha Cruz	Semisi Paletua	
			Boston McFall	Michelle Smith		
10:30AM	Alexa Lazatin	Joey Lazatin	Diana Carrillo	Erin Gizelle Taruc	Devon Hayes	
			Julia Tominiko	Don Velasco		
			Hezekiah Faletagoai	Allison Serdenia		
			Ariana Hall	Rian Jenise De Los Reyes		
5:00PM	Liam Aumareva	Lia Tekiteki	Anthony Enxiang Xu	Johnathan Aviet	Sapna Mathews	
			Alistar Bautista	Emilie Jean Abuyan		
5:00PM	Liam Aumareva	Sonasi Moefana	Kathrina Bacay	Jean Balicao	Sapna Mathews	
			Maxie Realon	Hannah Dangatan		
5:00PM	Liam Aumareva	Sonasi Moefana	Chloe Park	Brett Menezes	Sapna Mathews	
				Matt Menezes		
5:00PM	Liam Aumareva	Sonasi Moefana		Daphne Melville	Sapna Mathews	

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
Feb 23 and March 1st, 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.

THE SEASON OF LENT

Lent is an opportunity for us to turn again to God. It is much more than a time to 'give something up'. We are called to a change of mind and heart. We are called to look at where we are at and where we ought to be.

Are we living the life Jesus calls us to?

Here are some ways to join the journey through Lent to Easter:

PRAYER

- Spend time with God - make time to pray.
- Try to attend weekday Mass.
- Set aside time before meals to pray as a family.
- Spend a short time each day reflecting on your life and seeking God's help.

ALMSGIVING

- Donate non-perishable food to the needy (place in the basket in the foyer)
- Donate our time to support a needy person or a good cause.
- Donate to the Lenten Appeal 'Caritas' Envelopes (Foyer)

FASTING

- Help around the house more
- Volunteer to visit the elderly
- Donate to the needy toys or clothes they've outgrown of
- Try to be kind to a child at school who needs a friend

Other Suggestions:

- Arrive to Mass on time
- Read the 'Exploring the Word' section in the newsletter

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM REMINDER

Classes start today at 9.30am sharp .
Please go to your allocated classes of last year.

THANK YOU

A big thanks to everyone especially our St Luke's Indian Community for organising the monthly Food Stall last weekend! The money raised was \$5,030. It was a good effort by everyone!

BAPTISM DATES

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

PARKING WARDENS

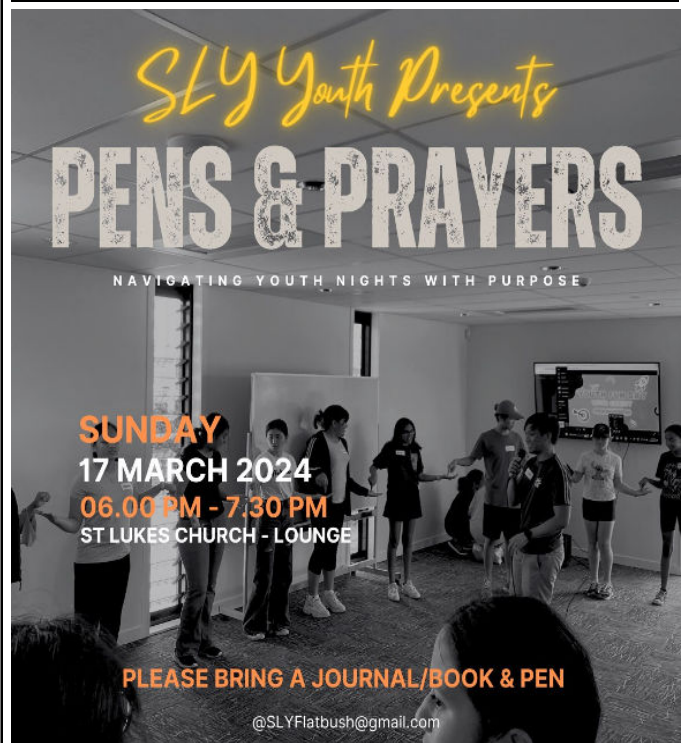
We are looking for volunteers who can redirect traffic for the 8.30am and 10.30am Mass times on Sundays. If you can help or know someone who would like to help then please see an office staff member.

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.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Pope Francis has dedicated 2024 as a Year of Prayer, calling on the faithful to "to rediscover the great value and absolute need for prayer-prayer in personal life, in the life of the Church, prayer in the world." Resources are available at <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/year-of-prayer/>



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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