

**4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
21.04.2024**

First Reading
Acts 4:7-12

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29

Second Reading
1 John 3:1-2

Gospel
John 10:11-18

EXPLORING THE WORD

This chapter of John's Gospel follows Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the rejection of this miracle by the Jewish leaders who question Jesus' authority to heal. Jesus responds to this challenge by calling himself the Good Shepherd. He is criticizing the leadership of the Pharisees and the other Jewish leaders.

Jesus describes his relationship with his followers as similar to the relationship between a good shepherd and his sheep.

As a good shepherd will risk and lay down his life in order to protect his sheep, Jesus willingly sacrifices himself for the sake of his sheep. Jesus contrasts the actions of the good shepherd with the actions of the hired shepherd who abandons the sheep in the face of danger. As the sheep are known by the Good Shepherd, the Father knows Jesus and Jesus knows the Father. There is an essential unity between the Father and the Son. The freedom with which Jesus acts when he lays down his life is rooted in the unity that he shares with his Father.

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER 28.04.2024

First Reading
Acts 9:26-31

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 22:25b-26, 27, 29, 30-31 (R.25a)

Second Reading
1 John 3:18-24

Gospel
John 15:1-8

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE:

Wayne Cammell, Thomas Pereira, Fr Craig, Celia Hunkin, Harold Baliccao, 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, Agnes Peralta, Harold Baliccao, Nieda Chiu, Joval Moredo, Cherrie La Paz.

Samoa Community: Allan Stowers, Tuala Ben Silva, Leanne Brighthouse, Judith Vitolio, Arturo C.M.

Tongan Community: Soana Kauhalanuia, Sioli Vaiangaina, Alo Puleanga.

Indian Community: Jose Paul

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
07 APRIL 2024**

1st Collection:
\$4,194.30
2nd Collection:
\$1,261.90

**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**

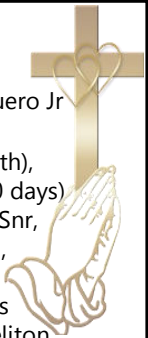
Are you getting married?
Please book your Diocesan Marriage Preparation course
www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/our-courses/
For more information email:
marriageandfamily@cda.org.nz
Gerry M:021 0224 7442 / gerrys@cda.org.nz

BAPTISM ENQUIRIES

The next baptism date is on the **25th May 2024** and the next Baptism Course is on **6th/7th May 2024**.
Attendance at a Preparation Course is necessary for your first baby.
Enquire with the Parish Office for more information on 09 359 4750

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Presley Pillay, Teinakore Nia, Teg Huat Tan, Angel Quero Jr Atonio Tuulaki, Michael Maquiez, Phillip Smith, Patsy Baldwin
Anniversaries of Death: Inge Moen, Lino Odevilas, Anne Lim Kim Lian (9th), Oscar (34th), Iosefo Peni (47th), Pesamino Iosefo (3rd), Ritcher Herradura (40 days) Nicholas Wong, Canuto, Mercedes Mangahas, Nepa Hontucan, Celso Abrau Snr, Mary Lee SF, All Souls in Purgatory, John Lim, Alice Lim, Roy Chua Seck Tuan, Jag, Anne Abbot, Benedicto Zafra, Filomeno Zafra, Mardaria Zafra, Julieto Zafra, Yu Oquiau, Lilia Yu, Rolando Iwayan, Pedro Mangahas, Jose Luis Trevino, William & Noreen, Jesusena Lopez, Isidro Meliton, Maria Alfreda Meliton, Fermo Roseller Meliton, Eusebia Teves, Milagros Teves, Eufrazio Teves, Gregorio, Antonio Deguit, Feliza Deguit, Loida Deguit, Jovenal Deguit, Nosor Deguit, Pablito Santos
Special Intentions: St Expeditus, Jane Smith (Recovery in Samoa), John & Christina Sakalia, Ana Maria McKinney (Healing), Mia Liu (healing), Simi Tekiteki (Healing)
Birthdays: Joseph Lim Hock Lai, Oscar David Yeshaya (16th), Teresa Schmidt, Nick Chan



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - 28 APRIL 2024

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	AV
5:00PM	Rebecca Guarin	Vernon Velayo	Santiago Duque	Louis Magallanes	Aaron Chan
		Dominic Carlos	Mateo Duque	Jacob Mukkada	
8:30AM	Sharon Naidoo	Genevieve Fernandes	Trisha Faye De Jesus	Joseph Mukkada	Semisi Paletua
		Benita Pereira	Shane Fernandes	Sage Fernandes	
10:30AM	Utita Sakalia	Joey Lazatin	Caying Ramos	Herschele Hendricks	Andre Bautista
			Colin Kirkwood	Ane Kauhalanuia	
		Ysabel Kis-ing	Daniel Pereira	Ann Del Rosario	
			Keilah Terrobias	Ethan Siao	
5:00PM	Glen Hareb	Callumn McLeod	Andrei Johan Isiro	Marina De Silva	Averill Realon
			Edzel Lazatin	Lily Tanyag	
		Josie de la Cruz	Josh Lazatin	Narciso Tanyag	
			Helen Lesa	Shaad Karmani	
			Devon Mah-kwan	Felipe Elecanal	
			Chloe Park	Joanne Hareb	
			Maxi Realon	Cathy Latu	
				Sofia Kim	

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

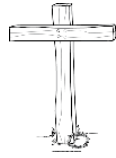
Please contact Thomas for any roster queries:



coordinator
atflatbushcatholic.org.nz

ST LUKE'S PRAYER GROUP

**SATURDAY 20th APRIL
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 two 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"*

TAX RECEIPTS FOR DONATIONS

Tax receipts are available now.
They will be sent out upon request.
Email office@flatbushcatholic.org.nz
Thank you for your patience and ongoing support.

PARISH NEWSLETTERS

Thank you to those who were interested in advertising in our parish newsletters. All spots have been filled!

VOCATIONS SUNDAY

Today is Vocations/Good Shepherds Sunday. Bishop Steve Lowe asks us to support our seminarians studying towards their priestly vocations at Holy Cross Seminary. Your contribution will positively influence the future of the Church here in Auckland. Donate at www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/donate. Please continue to pray for our seminarians. Attached is a QR Code which directs to the appeal website. Check out the flyer on the notice board in the foyer.



ST LUKES WELCOMES SEMINARIAN PETER JANG

We welcome Seminarian Peter Jang, 2nd year Auckland Diocesan who will be visiting St Lukes this Sunday morning at our 8.30am and 10.30am Masses.

A portion of St Luke's 1st Collection this Sunday will be donated to the Seminarians.
Thank you for your kindness and generous donations.

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

The fourth Sunday of Easter (21 April) is a special Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please pray for our seminarians and those who are discerning the call to priesthood.
Could someone you know become tomorrow's priest?

Pray for this person.

Invite him to consider priesthood.

Affirm his gifts and qualities.

Encourage him to be open to the possibility of priesthood.
In his message for World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Pope Francis summarises Christian Vocations in this way: 'Our life finds fulfilment when we discover who we are, what our gifts are, where we can make them bear fruit, and what path we can follow in order to become signs and Instruments of love, generous acceptance, beauty and peace, wherever we find ourselves.'

WARNING

Please be aware of emails claiming to be by Fr Craig or from the Parish Office. Do not respond, mark them as spam and delete them.

FILIPINO FOOD STALL THANK YOU

A big thanks to everyone especially our St Luke's Filipino Community for organising the monthly Food Stall last weekend! The money raised was \$10,363. Congratulations to Meara for winning the Lechon Raffle!

ANZAC DAY

There will be a mass at 9am on Anzac Day, Thursday April 25th followed by a light morning tea.

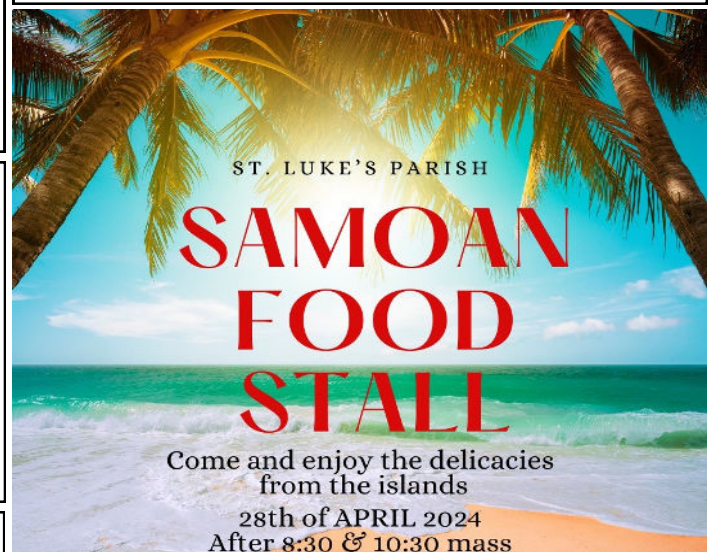
The parish office will be closed on this day and reopen on Friday the 26th of April.

HOLY COMMUNION

Please ensure that when you receive Holy Communion, that you are to receive it in front of the Minister and not to be taken back to your seat. It is also important for all children to be accompanied during this time.
Thank you for your cooperation.

TAP N GO

For all our visitors to St Luke's Church, our Tap-n-Go machine can be located in the foyer next to the notice board. All these proceeds go to our building fund.



The Samoan Community are also offering a raffle. Sales will be available at our Sunday morning mass times. The draw date is next Sunday April 28th after the 10.30am mass.
1st Prize: JBL Partybox (110 Portable) valued \$529
2nd Prize: Assorted Hamper valued \$250
3rd Prize: \$100 Petrol Voucher

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME NOTICE

For those who are already enrolled in the Sacramental Programme 2023-2024, there is an adult formation for Parents and Caregivers at 7pm, Tuesday 30th April 2024. Attendance is compulsory.