

**6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
05.05.2024**

First Reading

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4(R2b)

Second Reading

1 John 4:7-10

Gospel

John 15:9-17

EXPLORING THE WORD

Today's reading describes the kind of service that Christians are called upon to offer to others. In John's Gospel, we read that Jesus is known by the Father and that his disciples will know the Father by knowing Jesus. Jesus reminds his disciples that this knowledge is to be expressed in love. Those who know Jesus well will love one another. John reminds us that Jesus taught that love is the sign of a true disciple, a true Christian. Even more, a true disciple shows a sacrificial love. John also reminds us that Jesus also taught that a disciple is one who had been chosen by Jesus, to serve the world as he did. The disciples of Jesus were chosen and were sent into the world to bear fruit by serving others, by sacrificing for others, in love. We know that Jesus gives us the greatest example of the kind of love and service that he teaches to his disciples. He has laid down his life for his friends, for his disciples, and for us. Through his death and Resurrection, we have received the grace to love others as Jesus has commanded.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD 12.05.2024

First Reading

Acts 1:1-11

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 47:1-2, 5-6, 7-8 (R.5a)

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:17-23

Gospel

Mark 16:15-20

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE:

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Lydia Lobo, Tony Noronha, Mike Pope, Utita Sakalia, Nicola Crestanello, Fr Craig.

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ST LUKE'S CULTURAL LEADERS

Filipino Community: Cora Noblejas, Agnes Peralta, 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 Vaingaina, Alo Puleanga.

Indian Community: Jose Paul

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

BUILDING FUND UPDATE

loan balance is
\$1,505,503.00
Thank you for supporting our 2nd Collection.

COLLECTIONS

28 APRIL 2024

1st Collection:
\$3,509.30
2nd Collection:
\$1,196.20

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: Roger Garcia (Australia), Masoe Jane Smith (Samoa), Teo Ioane Vitolio (Australia), Presley Pillay, Teinakore Nia, Teg Huat Tan

Anniversaries of Death: Maria Yoo, Nik Curac (3rd), Anne Lim Kim Lian, Erwin Abrea, Hermogenes Nillo, Anne Lim Kim Lian, Simon Lee, Maria Yoo, Concepcion Enriquez, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Jose Mathew, Josephine Nevado-De Vera (and 56th Birthday), Silvia William, 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, Pablito Santos

Special Intentions: Tony Noronha (Healing), Gregory & Tracy Wong & Family (Thanksgiving for newborn baby Corey Wong), Amber & Josh (Recovery from illness), Ana Maria McKinney (Healing), Mia Liu (Healing), Simi Tekiteki (Healing)

Birthdays: Jeronne Panotes, Tafina Tangifua, Cooper Leasi (1st), Gloria Ulep, John Tiongco



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - 12 MAY 2024

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	AV
5:00PM	Rebecca Guarin	Zoe Martis	Maryjane Wong Ling	Oliver Tamayo	Owen Tamayo
			Jirus Wong Ling	Julyan Balicao	
		Janet Wigmore	Roger Wong Ling	Joshua Araos	
			Boston McFall		
8:30AM	Cedric Pigin	Penina Schmidt	Ariana Hall	J L Lopez	Lynn Hunkin
			Jas Lopez	Louis Magallanes	
		Julia Dutt	Daniel Pereira	Megan Noronha	
			Mercy McKinney	Claire Raubenheimer Michelle Smith	
10:30AM	Joey Lazatin	Cherrie Lapaz	Mercy Magele-Rees	Hannah Dangatan	Devon Hayes
			Julia Tominiko	Melanie Regino	
			Florance Tominiko	Virginia Lesa-Toala	
	Kara Schmidt	Alistar Bautista	Lily Tanyag		
		Kathrina Bacay	Narciso Tanyag		
			Mel Nepomuceno	Rita Nepomuceno	
5:00PM	Leilani Sakalia	Prakash Jacob	Maxie Realon	Daphne Melville	Bond Tran
			Lia Tekiteki	Chloe Park	
				Matt Menezes	

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

Please contact Thomas for any roster queries:



coordinator
@flatbushcatholic.org.nz

CONGRATULATIONS FR LARRY ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Fr Larry who will be celebrating his 13th anniversary of ordination on Tuesday 7th May 2024.
Thank you for your continued service to priesthood and for all that you do here at St Lukes.

TAX RECEIPTS FOR DONATIONS

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

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.

SANCTA MARIA COLLEGE PRAYER ROOM

Sancta Maria College has a dedicated prayer room. Here, the children have a chance for silent prayer and meditation. On Wednesdays, they have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for the whole day. Please pray for this initiative to continue. Also, encourage your SMCC children to visit the Prayer Room.



Jubilee Bursaries

For Theological and Religious Education

APPLICATIONS INVITED

for Semester 2, 2024

Applications close **Thursday, 6 June 2024**

Applicants must be Catholic and making a contribution to the mission of the Catholic Church in the Auckland Diocese
The Bursary is a contribution toward Degree and Post Grad Theology and RE courses

For information and an application pack please contact:
michellej@cda.org.nz
Auckland Catholic Diocese

HAPPY 3RD ANNIVERSARY ST LUKES CHURCH

As we celebrate this week, we remember with gratitude another year that has been, on the 3rd Anniversary of the opening of St Lukes. The parish has grown considerably over the last 12 months. St Lukes is a parish not of bricks & mortar but of living stones and as living stones of this parish, I thank you all for the various and many ways you contribute to the life of St Lukes, Flat Bush.

On behalf of the parish team and myself, I wish to take the opportunity of thanking you all for your support and love over the past year, as we look forward to the many years that will unfold here at St Lukes.

God Bless, Fr Craig

MONTH OF MARY

Our Lady of Victories St Luke's Legion of Mary will be leading Rosary at 8.20am before 9am Saturday Mass during the Month of May. May is the Month of Mary, to honor our Mother of God.

If you would like to know more about the Legion of Mary and our work as an active member or Auxiliary member, there will be 2 pamphlets in the foyer in front of the notice board.

The Legion of Mary meet every Wednesday 7pm here at the parish.

SAMOAN FOOD STALL THANK YOU

A big thanks to everyone especially our St Luke's Samoan Community for organising the monthly Food Stall last weekend! The total amount raised was \$10,430.

It was a great effort by everyone!
Congratulations to our raffle winners!

1st Prize (JBL Partybox) - *Violet Silva*
2nd Prize (Assorted Hamper) - *TJ Iosefa*
3rd Prize (\$100 Petrol Voucher) - *Bernie Ah Kau*

RCIA & RCIC

Rite of Christian Initiation Adults & Children

The Catholic Church welcomes all people who are seeking to deepen their lives with God in a community of like-minded believers. If you or someone you know is interested to find out about our Catholic faith, with the prospect of getting baptised as a Catholic on Easter 2025, the parish office are taking enquiries.

The date for the next intake is coming up so please keep an eye out for the date.

Email: pastoral@flatbushcatholic.org.nz

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.



Pentecost Celebration

Pour Out Your Spirit, Lord!

Praise & Worship
Mass
Prayer Ministry
Fellowship

19 May 2024

4pm - 6pm

Christ the King Church

260, Richardson Rd, Mt Roskill

2 Cor 5:17

So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

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