

**22nd SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME
01.09.2024**

First Reading

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 15:2-5 (R.1)

Second Reading

James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Gospel

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

EXPLORING THE WORD

Today's Gospel, Jesus criticizes the Pharisees for putting human tradition above God's Law and comments on the meaning behind the Pharisees' language of holiness—clean and unclean. Jesus teaches that a person is not defiled by the food that enters his or her body, but rather by sin that emerges from his or her words and actions. The issue is holiness, which isn't found in acts alone. Holiness comes from within and is evidenced in the actions and attitudes that emerge from a person's life. Jesus' teaching is directed to the Pharisees then to the crowd. Jesus' words challenge us too. In our desire to show that we are holy, we might also give too much credence to externals, following rules without thinking about the intention behind them. Jesus reminds us that we don't make ourselves holy by our actions. Rather, we become holy when we allow God's Spirit to transform us. Our actions should be an expression of the conversion of our heart to God and to God's ways.

23rd SUN IN ORD TIME 08.09.2024

First Reading

Isaiah 35:4-7

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 146:6-10 (R.1)

Second Reading

James 2:1-5

Gospel

Mark 7:31-37

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE:

Wayne Cammell, Thomas Pereira, Fr Craig, Celia Hunkin, Harold Ballicao, Arturo Chan Mow, Arlene Pereira, Filipino Motulalo

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FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE: Gloria Trevino, Bong De Vera, Allan S, Judith V, Fr Craig, Malu Luteru, Litiana Loabuka

ST LUKE'S CULTURAL LEADERS

Filipino Community: Cora Noblejas, Agnes Peralta, Harold Balicao, Niedo 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 & Sri Lankan Community: Jose Paul, Natasha Martis, Gayan Gunawardena, Douglas de Sourza.

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

BUILDING FUND UPDATE

loan balance is

\$1,390,503.00

Thank you for supporting our 2nd Collection.

CASH COLLECTIONS 25 AUGUST 2024

1st Collection:

\$3,744.00

2nd Collection:

\$1,522.60

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

The next baptism date is on the **21st September 2024.**

Attendance at a Preparation Course is necessary for your first baby.

Enquire with the Parish Office for registration.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Gladys Pereira, Eric Laoh (Jakarta), Andrew Robertson, Bassim Petros, Kossey Bassim,

Anniversaries of Death: Kristine Felizardo, Francis Joseph, Jesusa Clemente (7th), Manfred (9th), Jette (10th), Deacon Jimmie (15th), Lourdes Villapando, Bryan Baird (3rd), Jose Maria, Robert Shennan (2nd), Phuoc Ngo, Johnny Goh (10th), Ernesto Ballesteros, Lorenza Alpaz, Vitaliano M. Depante (3rd), Emelita Velayo (3rd), Pierre Klaessens, Ida Klaessens, Hubert Klaessens, David Musham (1st), Pablo dela Cruz Sr (2nd), Walter Moran, Maria (7th), Jocelyn Flores (3rd), Prudencio Cancino, Wally Moran (1st), Pablito Santos

Special Intentions: Sagi Hendricks (Thanksgiving), Legion of Mary (Auxiliary Members), Ana Maria McKinney (Sick), Kapisi Ngan Woo (Sick), Doris Jimmie (Sick), Gustav Santos (Healing), Noronha Family (Thanksgiving), Susan Ahn (Sick)

Birthdays: Audrianna Laoh, Heta (64th), Arwyn Batungbakal, Mateo



23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 08 SEPTEMBER 2024

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	AV	COLLECTORS
5:00PM	Zoe Martis	Vernon Velayo	Alejandro Hernandez	Owen Tamayo	Zachary Guevara	Philip Chai
			Shane Fernandes	Joshua Araos		Dennis Guarin
		Natasha Martis	Eden Feagaiga	Mary Corboy		Omar Tamayo
8.30AM	Madel de Vera	Penina Schmidt	Calvin Chong	Claire Raubenheimer	Lynn Hunkin	Manny Magallanes
			Mercy McKinney	Erin Gizelle Taruc		Meryl Madrid
		Diego Carrillo	Ariana Hall	Allan Ah Kau		Chris Motulalo
10.30AM	Alexa Lazatin	Kara Schmidt	Daniel Pereira	Sage Fernandes	Devon Hayes	Vaea Motulalo
			Brea Baring	Alisa Magele - Rees		Mike Pope
		Allyson Cahill	Ethan Siao	Ryan Bautista		
		Yoshua Quedi	Doris Shennan	Dan Lapaz		
		Cherrie Lapaz	Lily Tanyag	Jarius Factor		
5PM	Pearl Felongco	Glen Hareb	Narciso Tanyag	Averill Realon	Queenie Paras	
			Felipe Elecanal		Filipo Motulalo	
		Jermaine Daclan	Tess Elepano		Roger Balanay	
Melvin Mathew	Chloe Park	Cathy Latu	Christopher Dometita			
	Simi Tekiteki	Sophia Kim		Bubba Reuyan		
Melvin Mathew	Arkhan Mercadero	Ana Delutta				

Thank you to all our ministry volunteers for your service to our Parish!
Please contact coordinator@flatbushcatholic.org.nz for any roster queries.

FILIPINO FOOD STALL

If you'd like to contribute food to sell at the next food stall on September 15th, you can email the following Filipino Community Leaders:
Nieda Chiu: niedac@yahoo.co.nz
Cherrie: chellapaz08@gmail.com
Cora: cora@versatile-images.co.nz

COLUMBIAN ART CALENDARS 2025

These beautiful calendars are now available to purchase for \$15 from the Parish Office.

TE KUPENGA CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is holding Lecture 6 in the series, A Taste of Theology. Rev Dr Merv Duffy will talk about "Christian identity, life and mission in Lumen Gentium, the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church. This will be on Tuesday, 03 September 2024 from 5:30-6:30pm on Zoom. For a fee of \$60 you get access to all 9 courses in this lecture series and join the remaining live sessions. Go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/tasteoftheology to register.

SPECIAL MASS FOR LOSS OF A CHILD

A Mass will be offered for those who have experienced loss of a child. The Catholic Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist help facilitate healing through fully knowing God's love and mercy. St Michael's Catholic Church, Beatrice Ave, Remuera on Saturday 7th September, 5.00pm Reconciliation & Adoration from 4.30pm
For more information contact: Brenda Brightwell on behalf of St Michael's Parish.

ETHNIC CHAPLAINCIES RISE UP AND SHINE FESTIVAL

Come to the Ethnic Chaplaincies Rise Up and Shine Festival to be held on Saturday 21 September to Sunday 22 September at the Malaeola Samoan Catholic Community Centre, 16 Waokauri Place, Mangere. A time of celebration with food, music, Zumba and cultural shows on Saturday 9am - 3pm, and Thanksgiving Mass in the various languages and culture on Sunday at 1pm. Get involved in your ethnic communities and be there!

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

If you would like to contribute towards the parish on a regular basis and the building fund:

Parish Account 02-0108-0708780-000

(Operating costs such as power, cleaning, staff)

Building Fund Account 02-0108-0708780-003

(Goes toward the payments of the mortgage and also the long-term upkeep of the church building)

Particulars: First Name **Code:** Last Name

Ref: Contact number

Donations from the **Tap n Go Machine** go towards the Building Fund.

A tax receipt can be supplied upon request at the end of each financial year.

These collections are the main source of income for our church, and we thank you all, every little bit helps.

*Warm Blessings from the
St Lukes Parish Finance Committee.*

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME FOR CHILDREN 2024-2025

The next Sacramental Programme is starting this October. We are now accepting the Expression of Interest (EOI) of those who want their child to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

What is the Expression of Interest (EOI)?

This is NOT the enrolment process. This EOI is a web-based form to be completed with the necessary information of the Baptised child who is at least 8 years old by 20 October. This web link will be open for a month - starting **on 25 August to 25 September.**

Why an EOI?

This gives convenient time to parents / caregivers in completing the form. This ensures correct information are entered and enough time to secure a copy of the Baptismal Certificate prior to enrolment.

What's next after EOI?

Once EOI is submitted, parents/caregivers **MUST** attend the compulsory registration session either at 7 pm on 26 September or at 12 pm on 29 September with a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate. There is a fee of \$25 for each Sacrament enrolled in to cover the material and other expenses throughout the programme.

Email: pastoral@flatbushcatholic.org.nz for further questions.

Please scan the QRCode or go to the link <https://forms.office.com/r/nzhQZXHjKJ>



PARISH REGISTRATIONS

We kindly remind you to register with the parish if you haven't already especially if you are currently serving in a Ministry or if you are new. Visit the parish office, our website or scan the QR Code in the parish newsletter to register.

FRONT GARDENS

Please help to preserve our beautiful front gardens and remind children not to walk over the plants, throw stones or put stones inside the fountain holes.

PARKING FOR ALL MASS TIMES

Please avoid double parking especially in front of the entrance doors and make use of the carpark at Sancta Maria Catholic Primary to alleviate traffic congestion.

ST LUKE'S MUSIC MINISTRY

We are looking for pianists, guitar players or singers who are able to serve on a Sunday Mass at 5pm. Contact the office to register your interest.

CHURCH SEATING

To help the ushers and accommodate everyone, kindly shuffle closer to each other to make more space.