

**21st SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME  
25.08.2024**

**First Reading**

Joshua 24:1-2, 15-17, 18b

**Responsorial Psalm**

Psalm 34:1-2, 15-22 (R.8)

**Second Reading**

Ephesians 4:32, 5:1-2, 21-32

**Gospel**

John 6:53, 60-69

**EXPLORING THE WORD**

Today's Gospel first records the response of those in the crowd who are described as Jesus' disciples. Jesus reiterates that only those chosen by the Father will follow him to the end. The number of people following Jesus was from 5,000 to only 12 people. It is to these Twelve that Jesus now turns his attention. Simon Peter announces, on behalf of all the Twelve, that they have come to believe all that Jesus has taught about himself: Jesus is the one from God in whom they have found the path to eternal life. This conclusion of the Bread of Life discourse focuses on personal faith in the life of Christian discipleship. Each person must make their own judgment about who Jesus is and in doing so determine the way of life that he or she will follow.

God's grace invites us to be Jesus' disciples, but each person must respond to the grace of God and confess as his or her own the belief that Jesus is the one from God. This faith then commits us to the path of life, leading us to eternal life.

**22nd SUN IN ORD 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

**PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE:**

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

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

**LITURGY COMMITTEE:** Thomas Pereira, Alzira Rodrigues, Fr Craig, Shaad Kirmani, Cora Noblejas, Celia Hunkin, Cherrie Lapaz, Joval Moredo, Patricia Smith.

**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 Kauhalaniua, 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 18 AUGUST 2024**

1st Collection: \$3,847.80  
2nd Collection: \$1,571.50

**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**

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:** Andrew Robertson, Bassim Petros, Kossey Bassim, Oscar Rata

**Anniversaries of Death:** Lourdes Villapando, Bryan Baird (3rd), Jose Maria, Robert Shennan (2nd), Phuoc Ngo, Johnny Goh (10th), Ernesto Ballesteros, Lorenza Alpay, 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), Salvador Villar, Erlinda Corpuz (2nd), Emyl Corpuz (2nd), Sukanaivalu Naeata (5th Month), Salvadora, Senen, Pablito Santos

**Special Intentions:** Kapisi Ngan Woo (Sick), Doris Jimmie (Sick), Gustav Santos (Healing), Noronha Family (Thanksgiving), Vitaliano M. Depante (3rd), Gladys Pereira (Sick), Livi Kolio, Susan Ahn (Sick)

**Birthdays:** Ana Tui, Joanne Yee, Jessica Young, Miguel Santoyo, Patricia Martinez



**22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 01 SEPTEMBER 2024**

TIME	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COMMUNION	AV	COLLECTORS	
5:00PM	Vernon Velayo	Dominic Carlos	Gianna Prasad-Khan Yuna Jimenez Kim	Joseph Mukkada Oliver Tamayo	Bond Tran & Aaron Chan	Sunil Serrao Percy Lobo Joseph Cruz Alex Hernandez	
		Janet Wigmore	Persia Hunkin Bill Tran	Beatrice Basilio			
8.30AM	Nathan Pereira	Genevieve Fernandes	Keilah Terrobias Phillip Ah Kau Annmarie Ah Kau	Joaquin Fallar Jana Lopez J L Lopez	Semisi Paletua	Lyall Tavener Steven Henkin Ponifasio McKinney Luka Toki	
		Nicola Crestanello	Diana Carrillo	Louis Magallanes Megan Noronha			
10.30AM	Joey Lazatin	Rosalina Abrugena	Leila Sila Allyson Cahill Sean Serdenia	Grace Chiu Hannah Dangatan Tess Elepano	Kelly Cheah	Cheenee Paras Baldwin Sayas Emmanuel Krakue Kenneth Pascua	
			Ysabel Kis-ing	Alistar Bautista Arwyn Batungbakal		Virginia Lesa-Toala Mel Nepomuceno Rita Nepomuceno Melanie Regino	Ralph Chavez
		Nathan Viegas		Maxie Realon Mathew Espinosa		Daphne Melville Carolyn Massey	Kimi Realon
			Josie de la Cruz	Ariabelle Odevilas		Bernadette-Rose Tominiko	

Thank you to all our ministry volunteers for your service to our Parish!  
Please contact [coordinator@flatbushcatholic.org.nz](mailto:coordinator@flatbushcatholic.org.nz) for any roster queries.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the newly ordained Archbishop Moses Vitolio Tui of Samoa, whose celebration took place in Samoa on Thursday, August 22nd.

We are also delighted to congratulate Fr. Mark Bond, who was ordained a priest on Saturday, August 24th.

Our very own Fr. Craig had the honor of witnessing these beautiful celebrations.

Let us pray for Archbishop Moses Tui and Fr. Mark Bond as they begin their new roles.

May their work be guided by wisdom and grace.

## SMCPS PARISH MASS

Thank you to Sancta Maria Catholic Primary School and everyone involved in celebrating our 8:30am Mass.

We are grateful for your presence and participation. We pray that our primary students continue to experience and grow in the love of God within our faith community.

## AUCKLAND WYD 2024

A huge thank you to the WYD leaders and chaperones for their incredible work coordinating the St. Luke's Youth Group's participation in the Auckland WYD.

Your dedication and support made this experience unforgettable for our youth.

Be sure to check out our social media posts to see highlights from their amazing journey!

## 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.

## 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 Saturday 7th September 5.00pm  
Reconciliation & Adoration from 4.30pm  
For more information contact: Brenda Brightwell on behalf of St Michael's Parish.

## 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](mailto:pastoral@flatbushcatholic.org.nz) for further questions.

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



## TONGAN AND INDIAN/SRI LANKAN LITURGY INPUTS

We'd like to extend a big thank you to the Tongan and Indian/Sri Lankan communities for their wonderful liturgy contributions at the 8.30am and 10.30am Masses last Sunday. Your efforts added a beautiful dimension to our Masses. Thank you for sharing a bit of your culture with our parish.



## 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.

## FILIPINO FOOD STALL

If you'd like to contribute to the next food stall on September 22nd, please check the notice board for contact details of the Filipino Community leaders to enquire.