

REST 18th July 2021
 Allow God to restore, replenish and refocus your heart and mind. **16th Sunday In Ordinary Time**
 Readings: *Jeremiah 23:1-6; Ephesians 2:13-18; Mark 6:30-34*

Sunday	Saturday 5pm	Sunday 8:30am	Sunday 10:30
Welcome/Intercessions 	Evan Maratas	Dale Pio	Hilda Nikolao
Ministers of the Word 	Jesse Demello Jane Castrillo	Audrey Kippen Tevita Lo;oamatangi	Vincet Lautua Mabelle Oliveros
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist 	David Miller Rolando Reyes Jackie Boyhan Nigel Boyhan Diane Monnery	John Frings Letisia Kolomatangi James Obeng Volunteer Volunteer	Tina Vaasili Fuli Vaasili Geraldine Cuya Christopher Cuya Nathalie Tolentino Tea Venu
Altar Servers 	Emereziana Lautua Destin Barte Martin Thomas	Sheshan Krone, Frankie Aita Patelesio Kiutau	Keela Williams Aja-Lucia Vatau Liam Marnewick

 Our Vinnie's Shop has expanded and is now able to accept donations of household furniture and appliances. If you can deliver to the shop at 275A Great South Road, Papakura, this would be greatly appreciated. Should you require a collection, you can phone 2965052, Monday to Friday 10am to 3pm and Saturday 10am to 12noon to arrange for a pickup time and date.



Fr John Vianney in Uganda is putting together a scholarship fund for students at a high school he has established. Some students are not able to continue their studies owing to lack of funds.
 New website: www.sfahighschool.org
 If any of you want to contribute he has an account with **BNZ**:
MAKANDA JOHN MARY VIANNEY
 Acc Number: 02-0400-0111981-097
 Bank Ref: Your Name / Scholarship



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Parish Office/Library: Tuesday to Friday: 8:00 am – 3:00 pm **Parish Hall Hireage:** Parish Office Ph 299 6056
St Mary's Catholic School: Ph 298 4450 **Web Site:** www.stmaryspapakura.school.nz

Welcome to any new parishioners! Please complete the form put in blue box in foyer or drop off at the parish office, thank you.

Mr/Mrs/Ms Family Name.....First Name.....

Address.....

Postcode.....

Phone..... Email.....



St Mary's Catholic Church

– A listening, praying, servant community –

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During the Korean war, a small village came under heavy gun fire. In the village stood a Catholic church. Standing outside the church was a fine statue of Jesus. After the battle, the statue was found blown to pieces. A group of American GI's managed to put the statue back together finding everything except for its hands which were never found. They made an offer to the local Parish Priest to fly it to America to have hands made for it. But he refused. "I have a better idea", he said. "Let's leave it without hands. We'll write on the pedestal the words FRIEND, LEND ME YOUR HANDS. In that way, passers-by will come to see that Jesus now has no hands but ours with which to raise up the fallen; no feet but ours to seek out the lost; no ears but ours to listen to the lonely; no tongue but ours to speak words of comfort." Like a little education, faith can be a dangerous thing! Faith can be dangerous because it increases our sense of responsibility and accountability before God for our choices, actions and use of the earth's resources. If we want to make a difference and leave our world a better place, then we need to let others know how important they are as we put their needs above ours. In the words of Mahatma Gandhi: *Let us learn to live simply, so that others may simply live...*

Which is pretty much the essence of today's Gospel. Like the Prophet Amos in our first reading who makes the transition from herding the flock and tending sycamore trees to prophesying to God's people Israel, the Apostles are all set to go on their first mission. In place of the usual possessions and creature comforts that are part and parcel of modern travel, Jesus has just given the Twelve the only form of security worth having. The security that comes with confidence. Jesus is calling on twelve ordinary men to lend him their own hands - to preach repentance, to heal the sick and to cast out demons. By sending them off two by two to follow what was a regular Jewish practice based in scripture that must have symbolized love of God and love of neighbour Jesus is teaching them to rely on nothing except the providence of God and each other. Through their radical simplicity and their growing sense of solidarity our friends will also make a difference. They will take nothing with them for their journey except the presence of Jesus who will be the literal staff of life for them to lean on. They too will learn to live simply, so that others may simply live.

In an increasingly unequal and complex society like ours, our Gospel's ideal of radical simplicity seems just as far from being fulfilled as it has ever been. For those of us who usually pack way too much for our travels including yours truly, Jesus' advice to us to take nothing with us for the journey except an empty suitcase presents a challenge to say the least! Indeed, the earth has suffered and continues to suffer from our having taken everything from it, from our taking more and more of what we don't need so that we no longer know the difference between our wants and our needs. From a modern perspective, Jesus' entrusting his mission to a bunch of enthusiastic amateurs may seem strange if not foolhardy when compared to the specialized knowledge that is needed in a time of pandemic. Yet in Paul's great cosmic prayer of praise in Ephesians we see how simple reality is from God's point of view in that the whole universe will eventually be reconciled in Christ. As in our story of a statue lovingly put back together by soldiers caught up in the middle of a war zone, God's plan of salvation in Christ encourages us to trust that we can help put back together a broken world piece by piece. Despite all that weighs us down, despite our personal demons and the dust of materialism that clings to our feet, Jesus sends us out as just as we are as a sign to others, in the light of our Gospel. To bring together everything in heaven and everything on earth. Let us take nothing for our life's journey except what we need to leave our world the better for our being here with the hands that we can lend. As we learn to live simply so that others may simply live...

BAGGAGE

Let me travel light-
 As I take flight;
 Leaving behind my desire for-
 More than I was blessed,
 The yearning to have achieved-
 More than I did,
 And the longing to be-
 More than I was.



Raven Chandler

- Mass Times**
- Saturday: Vigil 5.00pm
 - Sunday: 8.30am 10.30am
 - Filipino Mass 1st Sunday 12.30pm
 - Samoan Mass 2nd Sunday 12.00pm
 - Tongan Mass 2nd Sunday 6.00pm (Starting July 2021)
 - Baptisms 3rd Sunday 12noon
 - Clevedon Community 8.30am 1st Sunday of month Clevedon District Centre (Postponed until further notice)
 - RECONCILIATION 9 - 10am Saturdays
 - Weekday Mass:
 - Monday 9:00am
 - Tuesday 9:00am
 - Wednesday 9:00am
 - Thursday 9:30am
 - Friday 9:00am
 - First Fridays of month 10.00am Saturdays 8.30am
 - Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Fridays 9.30am - 12.00 noon (10am—12noon First Friday of month)

15th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Liturgy of the Word (Year B)

Amos 7:12-15,
Ephesians 1:3-14;
Mark 6:7-13



Welcome to St Mary's Parish

Children's Liturgy: 10.30 Sunday (Term time/not run on Public Holiday weekends) for children aged 4-8 years.
Holy Rosary: 8.30am weekdays
Stations of the Cross: 5pm Fridays. Michael 298 9295
The statue of Our Lady is available for families, add your name to the list in the foyer or ph Jean 296 5486
Legion of Mary: Tuesdays 5pm, hall committee room. Celerina 298 4080
Medjugorje prayer meetings: Mondays, @ 2/1 Clark Rd, Joseph 298 2297
Meditation Groups: Tuesdays 9.40am Fr Ryder Rm. (St Anne's Manurewa every Monday 5-6pm in the Chapel.)
Music for Mass: Choir practice Wednesdays 7pm, come along or contact Judith ph 268 1884, newcomers welcome.
Knitting group: each 2nd & 4th Tuesday: 1- 3 pm Ryder Rm. Jenny 297 7292
St Vincent de Paul Foodbank Office: Tuesday/Thursday 10-12noon ph 299 6056
St Vincent de Paul Shop: 10-3pm weekdays, 10-12noon Saturdays; 275 Great South Rd, 296 5052
The Knights Of The Southern Cross - John Curtin 021 995 302 Or Richard Powell



We pray for those who have died

Peter Gerard Fyn 4/7/21

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time including: Jane Smith, Te Huruhuru Konui, Terence Dowling, Ivan Crosswell, Johannes Van Diepen, Lawrence Hull, Marie Johnson, Anne Edmonds & Roy Hancock

We pray for those who are sick including:

Elizabeth Nau, Ben, Howard Leaf, Alipati Afoa, Ben Hamilton, Elizabeth Schubert, Marna & Tony Starbuck, Hélène Green, Daphne Bankien and Christopher Bird and Pam & Jack Clegg.

Church Events:

School Preference Forms: Please note that Fr James is available to sign **School Preference Forms** on **Thursday Mornings from 10am to 12noon and afternoons** from 4pm to 6pm in the Parish Office. Many thanks for your co-operation.

Parish Baptisms:

Baptisms will be celebrated on the **THIRD SUNDAY** of the month after the 10:30 Mass. Please note that there will now be a monthly group baptismal preparation course in the **Ryder Room** on the **last Thursday of the month** at 7pm. Please contact Fr James to register and for further details on telephone 2985134. No paperwork, no baptism.

St Mary's School Mass

Please note that because during term time the classes from the school will attend Thursday Morning Mass, the time has changed to **9:30am** permanently to stop confusion.



St. Vincent de Paul Foodbank

A very big thank you to all the donors of large and small gifts, your donations have really filled our pantry. Our current requirements are 2 Minute Noodles (which are very popular with children) Cornies, Weetbix and Rolled oats for porridge and Toilet Paper. If you can assist us, it will be very much appreciated. Thank you and May God bless you all.

PARISH SITE DEVELOPMENT

"Building A Vibrant Faith Community"



Online Donations:

Acc. 02-0100-0120982-10

REF: Build Fund

Include your pledge number or contact parish office for receipt.

Parish Building Project Fundraising Team Contact Details

Can you help make our dream for a better church a reality? Contact one of us to arrange a time to meet to discuss your options. There will be an option that will work for you. We can also explain how up to 33% of your donation can be claimed back from IRD.

David Tennent – dandjct@gmail.com

09 268 1884 or 027 489 4404

Vince O'Loughlin – loch.ness@xtra.co.nz

09 291 9194 or 021 379 845



Just a gentle reminder to the knitting ladies that the group will meet on Tuesday 13 July 2021 as that is the second Tuesday. June was a loong month! See you all there.

AMOS REPLIED, "I'M NOT A PROFESSIONAL PROPHET, AND I WAS NEVER TRAINED TO BE ONE. I'M JUST A SHEPHERD, AND I TAKE CARE OF SYCAMORE FIG TREES. BUT THE LORD CALLED ME AWAY FROM MY FLOCK AND TOLD ME, 'GO AND PROPHECY TO MY PEOPLE IN ISRAEL.'"

Community Hiring Opportunity

200 positions available. St Anne's Catholic Church 126 Russell Rd Manurewa 10.30am-1.30pm Friday 16 July. Bring your CV. Details on Parish Noticeboard or contact Deacon Sanele Poluleuligaga 027 267 3210 or Simaile Faalogo 029 6500 052 Simaille.Faalogo003@msd.govt.nz.

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that explore all the big questions about life and faith in a safe, friendly environment. Suitable for wherever you are in your spiritual journey. Get to know others over a delicious meal followed by a short video and great discussion. Thursday evenings over Term 3. Start date: Thursday July 29th; 6.30pm to 8.30pm, St Mary's Church Hall.

Ten sessions - come for 1 or 2 sessions, or for all. No cost, no pressure. Come and See..... For more information or to register: alpha@stmaryspapakura.co.nz or phone Benita 2996056 or Jovita 2985773



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL, PAKAKURA

54 Clark Road

We love being an active part of our parish community. Your children are our children. Your family is our family. Together We Learn, We Pray, We serve

Me Whakakotahi, Kia Maarama, Kia Pono, Ki Te Karakia ENROL NOW! PLACES ARE FILLING UP FAST!

Visits welcome. Contact our school office on 09 298 4450 or visit our new website. www.stmaryspapakura.school.nz

Follow us on Facebook too!

St Mary's, Papakura School Hall is available for hire to clubs, businesses and for private events. This is a large, pristine venue with kitchen, toilet and parking facilities. Please call our school office on 09 2984450 for more information.



Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School

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Ka Ako Ka Aroha Ka Manaaki

137 Airfield Road, Takanini
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 Phone school office (09) 296 9039

PROLIFE FACTS

Few Kiwis would be aware of that some of world's richest people donate billions of dollars for population control including abortion.

A recent report in the Nation revealed that the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation will donate US\$1.4 billion over the next five years.

The recipients of this largesse include Planned Parenthood and the British-based Marie Stopes International which abort millions of babies every year across the world.

The Gates Foundation donated nearly US\$68 million to DKT International which sends abortion drugs and devices worldwide.

The financial genius Warren Buffett through his foundation, donated US\$4 billion to abortion-advocacy groups between 2000 and 2018.

George Soros, Michael Bloomberg (founder of Bloomberg News), the David and Lucille Hewlett-Packard Foundation are major abortion funders and recently the ex-wife of Amazon founder Jeff Bezos, made a multi-million-dollar gift to abortion providers.

Add in western government funding for Planned Parenthood and it is a tsunami of money enabling the industrial killing of innocent and vulnerable babies.

For more pro-life information, visit voiceforlife.org.nz.



New to the Parish

Welcome

Contact form P.T.O and foyer (blue box) or Parish Office

Week Jul 12th - 17th	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday St Bonaventure	Friday	Saturday
Psalm	124	69	103	105	116B	136
Reading	Exodus 1:8-14,22	Exodus 2:1-15	Exodus 3:1-6,9-12	Exodus 3:13-20	Exodus 11:10-12:14	Exodus 12:37-42
Gospel	Matthew 10:34-11:1	Matthew 11:20-24	Matthew 11:25-27	Matthew 11:28-30	Matthew 12:1-8	Matthew 12:14-21

Bequests: Have you remembered St Mary's in your Will.

St Mary's Youth Group

'You are the Church of today'

"Everyone is welcome to the smyfs family"

When: 7pm- 8:30pm

Where: Church hall

Who: Ages 10 and over

Term one dates:

09/04/2021

16/04/2021

Parent contact: Tracey Luamanu

Phone Number:027 388 1556

Youth leader contact: Tahnee TePuia-Afoa

Phone number:021 084 4848



Come and join us for post Covid-19 Restrictions spiritual inspiration at the Auckland Eucharistic Convention.

Hear overseas and local speakers address the theme: 'Come to me all you who are weary and heavily burdened.'



Friday 16, Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 July

St Mary's College, New Street, Ponsonby (opposite the Pompallier Diocesan Centre) Tickets \$30.00 per day or \$50 for the weekend.

'May our Eucharistic celebrations transform the world.' Pope Francis.

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

Online Sessions (Evening): Psalms - From the Heights of Hymns to the Lows of Laments! with Br Kieran Fenn. Monday 12, 19 and 26 July, 7-8.30pm. Fee: \$25/session. ZOOM. <https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/psalms-from-the-heights-of-hymns-to-the-lows-of-laments-c2-a0-3/> Muffin Talk Radio Programme recordings and video clips on religion, interfaith and community available at <https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/>

For more information and registration: info@studyjoy.nz



Catholic Diocese of Auckland
Te Taumata o te Hahi Katorika

The Crime and Reconciliation Committee of the Diocese of Auckland's Justice and Peace Commission needs new members. If you have a strong commitment to social justice and are interested in advocating for prisoners to be given the support needed to re-integrate into society, we'd like to hear from you. Contact: Peter Garrick Executive Secretary peterg@cda.org.nz phone 022 1300 730



Nuncio to NZ sounds warning on Church identity. Te Kupenga chief executive resigns. Law on non-Catholics receiving Communion explained. Temporary resting place for three deceased Chch bishops