

Twenty Second Week in Ordinary Time
 Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20,28-29 Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24 Luke 14:1,7-14
 28th August 2022

Sunday	Saturday 5pm	Sunday 8:30am	Sunday 10:30
 Welcome/Intercessions	Martin Lautua	Olita Sua	Sela Kaloni
 Ministers of the Word	Siatua Gabriel Maricris Amposta	Joy Treasurer James Bingwor	Tevita Koloamatangi Rosaline Petelo
 Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist	Peter Foster	Shyamalee Krone Celerina Robertson	Letisia Koloamatangi Anna Cullen
 Altar Servers	Georgina Lautua Emerziana Lautua Albertus-Magnus Lautua	Sheshan Krone Jeevani Krone Frankie Aita	Arabella Williams (Cross) Nitya Roshin John Paul Feagaiga

 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 10:00am - 3:00pm and Saturday from 10.00am-1.00pm 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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Twenty First Week in Ordinary Time
 Liturgy of the Word (Year C)
 Isaiah 66:18-21 Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13 Luke 13:22-30
 21st August 2022

Mass Times

Saturday: Vigil 5:00pm
 Sunday: 8:30am 10:30am
 Filipino Mass 1st Sunday 12:30pm
 Samoan Mass 2nd Sunday 12:00pm
 Baptisms 3rd Sunday 12noon

Clevedon Community 8:30am
 1st Sunday of month
 Clevedon District Centre
 (Postponed until further notice)

Just recently on the Remarkable Mountain Range near Queenstown two young climbers were almost buried by an avalanche. They managed to dig themselves out and raise the alarm but had to wait several days before being flown off in a dramatic rescue. Despite the dangers, they were very experienced, had good gear and had made the right call to hunker down and stay where they were for help to come. It was a near run thing for them and their rescuers who could only attempt the rescue during a short period of good weather and visibility. Thankfully most of us will never have to face such risks, but life still confronts us with crises and challenges where we have no other choice other than to push our way through if we want to make it out the other side of fear. What lies behind us and what lies ahead of us pales in comparison to what lies inside of us (Ralph Waldo Emerson).

In our Gospel, Jesus' appeal to us to strive to enter through the narrow door spells the difference between life and death. In fulfilment of Isaiah's vision of Israel's universal mission to all nations in our first reading, Jesus affirms that many will come from all points of the compass to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God whilst those with a false sense of entitlement will be cast aside, to the sound of weeping and gnashing of teeth. No wonder the big shots wanted to rub him out! By freely making his way to Jerusalem via the towns and villages of Israel to face certain suffering and death, Jesus not only fulfils God's promise of salvation for all nations in and through his own person, but models for us the ideal human response. Whilst this was originally intended for the Jews, Luke intended this as a warning to his own community, and to us. The hospitality of God is ample and generous. But it will not be available forever. We can exclude ourselves from salvation by not being prepared to accept that hospitality at the time - and in the company - of God's choosing. The Kingdom which Jesus inaugurates in his words and actions is not an exclusive club with benefits for those at the centre of privilege but an inclusive reality for those who live on the margins, to receive fullness of life without limits. Where the last shall be first and the first shall be last.

I asked God to take away my pride, and God said "NO". He said it was not for Him to take away, but for me to give up.

I asked God to make my handicapped child whole, and God said "NO". He said her spirit is whole, her body is only temporary.

I asked God to grant me patience, and God said "NO". He said that patience is a by-product of tribulation, it isn't granted, it's earned.

I asked God to give me happiness, and God said "NO". He said He gives blessings, happiness is up to me.

I asked God to spare me pain, and God said "NO". He said suffering draws you apart from worldly cares and brings you closer to me.

I asked God to make my spirit grow, and He said "NO". He said I must grow on my own, but He will prune me to make me fruitful.

I asked God to help me love others as much as He loves me, And God said "Ah, finally you have the idea"! (Claudia Minden Weisz, And God Said No!)

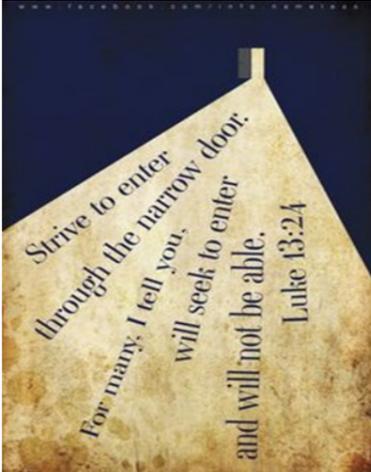
In our second reading, the author of Hebrews echoes Jesus' words of warning, challenge, and invitation. Encouraging a community beset by great trials, the author observes that just as parents have to correct their children God is training them to show resilience. However politically incorrect it sounds to modern ears, however unpleasant, suffering is an inevitable part of our human development and training in discipleship. Could it be that challenges like Covid are sent our way so as to later bear fruit in peace and goodness? Could it be that we should look back on past challenges and traumas with gratitude instead of regret? So that what is broken within us will be made whole again? In the light of the Gospel, a remarkable mountain rescue is nothing compared to entering the Kingdom through the narrow gate where suffering and joy are but two inseparable sides of the same coin of human salvation and healing. The moment when you want to quit is the moment you need to just keep on pushing through. What lies behind us and what lies ahead of us pales in comparison to what lies inside of us. Narrow is the way that leads to life.

RECONCILIATION 9 - 10am Saturdays

Weekday Mass:

Monday 9:00am Liturgy
 Tuesday 9:00am
 Wednesday 6:30pm
 Thursday 9:30am
 Friday 9:00am
 First Fridays of month 10.00am
 Saturdays 8:30am Liturgy

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament
 Fridays 9:30am - 12:00 noon
 (10am-12noon First Friday of month)



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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
Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School: Ph 296 9039 **Web Site:** www.holytrinity.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.....

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: 8:30, 5:30p.m. Monday to Friday

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.)

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: 10-1pm Monday to Saturday (on a temporary basis); 275 Great South Rd, 296 5052



We pray for those who have died

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time including:

Agnes Lepou, Margaret Isabel Reed, Sheryl Ann Dunn, Suzanne Faumuina, Matthew Thomas Gilmour, Sydney James Alexander, Akenese Pati, Florentyna Monica Tautava Iosefo, Florencio Navarro, Ethel Turner, Ben Hamilton, Mila Moredo, Marcie Thorburn, John Turner, Francis Morine

We pray for those who are sick including:

Elizabeth Nau, Alipati Afoa, Elizabeth Schubert, Marna & Tony Starbuck, Joe Loomans, Seamus O'Sullivan, Pauleen McDonald, Daphne Bankien, Christopher Bird, Ian Milliken, Helen Moverley, Sue Waine and Margaret (Jean) Soo-Choon, Rosaline Petelo

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 every **THIRD SUNDAY** of the month after the 10.30am Mass. Please note that there will be a monthly group baptismal preparation course in the **RYDER ROOM** on the **last Thursday of the month at 7.00pm.** Please contact Parish Office at **09 299-6056.** No paper-work - no baptism.



Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School

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137 Airfield Road, Takanini
School website: www.holytrinity.school.nz
School email: office@holytrinity.school.nz
Contact us at 296 9039
Enquiries and school visits welcome

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. **Please note that you can also make automatic pledge payments to the above Account Number. Your support is most appreciated!**



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 – dandict@gmail.com
09 268 1884 or 027 489 4404

Vince O'Loughlin – loch.ness@xtra.co.nz
09 291 9194 or 021 379 845



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL, PAPAOKURA

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 IGNATIUS of LOYOLA CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Burt Road, Drury

"To educate the young is to transform the world"

Jesuit education pioneer

St Ignatius of Loyola Catholic College will provide a Catholic education in the spirit of St Ignatius and the tradition of Jesuit education. Bishop Steve Lowe, Roman Catholic Bishop of Auckland is the Proprietor of the college.

The new Diocesan college will open Term 1, 2024 with 340 Year 7 to 9 students. The roll will grow to 900 Year 7 to 13 students by 2030. Through its enrolment scheme priority will be given to preference students from St Joseph's Catholic School Pukekohe, St Mary's Catholic School, Papakura and Holy Trinity Catholic School, Takanini.

Earthworks have been completed and the design is now also closed out. You can take a look at the first stage of the College using this flythrough:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PbvT1h3VdIU>

Artists impression of what the school may look like



St Mary's Youth Group

'You are the Church of today'

"Everyone is welcome to the smyfs family"

When: Friday evenings every fortnight 7:00pm- 8:30pm

Where: Church hall

Who: Ages 10 and over

Term 3 dates:

5 August 2 September

19 August 16 September

30 September

Parent contact: **Tracey Luamanu**

Phone Number: 027 388 1556

Youth leader contact: **Tahnee TePuia-Afoa**

Phone number: 021 084 4848



Readers — Eucharistic Minister

Benita Kiutau (Pastoral Associate) or email pastoral@stmaryspapakura.co.nz.

Training will begin in September.

Flower Arrangement - Sia - 021 0472069. Flower donations are also welcome.



Parish Fundraising!!

The taste of home-baked goodness

To all the amazing bakers in the Parish please share your talents.

For more details please call Benita at **09 299 6056**

Prison Chaplaincy Vacancy: Tikanga Māori Enabler

Prison chaplaincy is an important role in the Catholic Church. Tira Tūhāhā Prison Chaplaincy Aotearoa provides religious and spiritual support services to all New Zealand prisons under contract to the Department of Corrections. TTPCA has a fixed term Tikanga Māori Enabler-Arawhata Māori vacancy for 24 months in the Wellington National Office. The role has been established to help TTPCA:

- Set up and embed Māori cultural frameworks and methodologies into the organisation, and
- Support the organisation to better respond to the needs of Māori tāne and wāhine in prison.

Go here for details: <https://www.prisonchaplaincy.org.nz/job/tikanga-maori-enabler-arawhata-maori/#>

New to the Parish

Welcome

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

Week 22nd - 27th August	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Psalm	96	96	145	145	33	33
1 Reading	2Thess 1:1-5,11-12	2Thess 2:1-3,14-17	Apocalypse 21:9-14	1 Corinthians 1:1-9	1 Corinthians 1:17-25	1 Corinthians 1:26-31
Gospel	Matthew 23:13-22	Mathew 23:23-26	John 1:45-51	Mathew 24:42-51	Mathew 25:1-13	Mathew 25:14-30



Information on the Synod We are currently at the start of the 2021-2023 Synod For A Synodal Church. To find out more about this process including how to get involved head to the website <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/synod/> where you can read all about it and download information.

Planned Giving—If you wish to receive a 33% tax deduction for your donation, please join our Planned Giving Scheme.

For further details please call Parish Office at **09 299 6056**

Hall Hireage — Parish hall is available for bookings for all occasions.

Please check availability at Parish Office or email us at office@stmaryspapakura.co.nz

Retirement Village Mass—Fr James will be celebrating Mass for the residents at **Papakura Oaks (21 Youngs Rd., Papakura), on Tuesday 23rd August at 10.30am.** Please note that there will be a Liturgy of the Word with Communion in our church at 9.00am that day.

Opening day 21st August 2022 at 12:00 pm



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Reconciliation First Eucharist and Confirmation

All parents must attend if you would like your child to part of the program and bring along baptism certificate. Registration form will be given out on the day.

St. Vincent de Paul—

Food parcel items that would be greatly appreciated are: Breakfast foods, sugar, tea, soup in tins and flour.

St Vincent de Paul Papakura Shop

URGENTLY needs volunteers. Please contact Rosanne 021 073 8236



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Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School is seeking an Office Administrator for 32 hours per week with responsibilities for the student management system, student attendance, enrolments, and general reception and health room duties.

Please send letters of application with your current CV to our school office - office@holytrinity.school.nz

Start date as soon as possible to support induction and training.

Kihe Tonga kotoa 'I he Palokia Sangata Malia Papakura.

'Oku faka hoko 'ae ako hiva teuteu ki he misa 'ae palokia he falaite kotoa taimi 7pm 'ihe Ryder room.

Fakaafe'i atu ha taha pe 'e fie kau mai kiai.

Fakaikiiki kataki fetu'utaki ki he **021 0683145.**

Samoan Catholic Youth Papakura

Greetings from the Samoan Catholic Youth Papakura! We have a monthly meeting held every fourth Sunday at 12:00pm in the Parish hall. If you would like to be a member of our growing youth, please contact our president for more information.

Walter Tanuvasa Laulu - 0278000271