




**Thirty Second Week Ordinary Time**  
**1. Wisdom 6:12-16 2. 1Thess 4:13-18 Matthew 25:1-13**  
**12th November 2023**

	Saturday 5pm	Sunday 8:30am	Sunday 10:30 am
<b>Welcome/Intercessions</b> 	Tevita Koloamatangi	Mavicle Auvaa	Violet Aita
<b>Ministers of the Word</b> 	Apaula Lautua Martin Lautua	Moevao Hugo James Bingwor	Vincet Lautua Arnel Mantes
<b>Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist</b> 	Rolando Reyes Anna Soo Choon Raquel Sanga Letisia Koloamatangi Jovita parker	Elizabeth Tugaga Tea Venu Shyamalee Krone Celerina Robertson James Obeng	Bernadette Pause Kimi Sei Kaloni Marietta Vaotua Mirriam Mantes Anna Cullen Jane Castrillo John Franks / Atelina Hunt
<b>Altar Servers</b> 	Georgina Lautua Ethan Clarito Enzo Collado	Sheshan Krone Jeevani Krone Poijing Natoealofa	Pedan Peter Tulaga John Paul Feagaiga Skyler Fonseca

 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 275 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.



 **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.

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**Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School:** Ph 296 9039 **Website:** [www.holytrinity.school.nz](http://www.holytrinity.school.nz)  
**St Ignatius of Loyola Catholic College** **Website:** [www.ignatius.school.nz](http://www.ignatius.school.nz)

**New to the Parish? Welcome to St. Mary's Catholic Church. Please visit our website at [www.papakuracatholic.org.nz](http://www.papakuracatholic.org.nz) and register online or you are very welcome to visit us at the parish office. (Office hours 9am– 3pm, Mon–Fri ) Thank you**



# St Mary's Catholic Church

**– A listening, praying, servant community**  
**46 East Street, Papakura 2110**  
**Parish Priest: Fr James Mulligan**  
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**Thirty First Week Ordinary Time**  
**Liturgy of the Word (Year A)**  
**1. Malac 1:14-2,8-10 2. 1Thess 2:7-9,13 Matthew 23:1-12**  
**5th November 2023**

**Mass Times**

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

**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)  
 Saturdays after 5pm Mass led by ALPHA

**Exploring the Crypt of Europe: Reflections on Death, Faith, and All Souls Day**

Crypts in Europe hold a profound connection to history, serving as the final resting places for notable figures, including popes, kings, emperors, and saints. My personal journey through these crypts has been a profound experience, blending history, faith, and contemplation on the meaning of life and death.

As I ventured into these underground sanctuaries, I was struck by the rich tapestry of European history they encapsulated. The walls whispered the stories of kings who once ruled mighty empires, popes who shepherded the faithful, and saints who inspired generations. Each tomb, each memorial, seemed to echo with the grandeur of past eras.

Yet, beyond the historical grandeur, I couldn't help but connect the crypts' solemnity to the teachings of Jesus on life eternal. His words about the resurrection of the dead and the promise of eternal life brought a profound sense of hope amid the quietude of the crypts.

In the midst of this journey, I also found myself contemplating All Souls Day, a day when the Christian faithful remember and pray for the departed. This tradition takes on new meaning in the crypts, where the souls of countless individuals lie at rest. It serves as a reminder that death is not the end, but a continuation of the spiritual journey.

These crypts, with their dark corners and glimmering candlelight, have become a metaphor for mortality itself. They remind us that life is fleeting, and death is an inevitable part of our existence. Yet, they also remind us that faith and the promise of eternal life provide solace and hope even in the face of mortality.

In conclusion, my exploration of the crypts of Europe has been a profound and deeply reflective experience. It has allowed me to connect the past with the teachings of Jesus, the significance of All Souls Day, and the ever-present theme of mortality. These crypts stand as both monuments to history and windows into the eternal, inviting us to contemplate the beauty and mystery of life and death.

**Fr Nathaniel Brazil**



## Welcome to St Mary's Parish

**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 6:15pm, 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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday: 1- 3 pm Ryder Rm. Jenny 297 7292  
**St Vincent de Paul Foodbank Office:** Food parcels please phone for an appointment. Mob: 021 026 71430  
**St Vincent de Paul Shop:** Mon—Fri 10:00-3:00pm Sat 10:00-1:00pm 275 Great South Rd, 296 5052  
**The Knights Of The Southern Cross—**Richard Powell  
**Lay Camillian Family NZ Ministry to the sick—**Dennis Sanga dtbsanga@gmail.com  
**St. Mary's Women's Group—**Brigid 021 02345439 or Jackie 021 1796602  
**Parish Choir—**Wednesday at 7pm

### We pray for those who have died ....

Anthony Michael Charman, Mary Elizabeth Taylor, Joseph Subritzky, Tom Mulligan, Rose Violet Martinovich Ian Milliken, Teresita Carezo, Pauline Sorraghan, Ferreira Sio, Frances Mary Cotter, Bruce Williams, Josephus Hendricus Loomans, Jenny Hill, Nonie Devoy, June Daly and Elizabeth Nau

### And those whose anniversaries occur at this time including:

Mary Bell, Veronica McKinstry, Johanna Browne, Martin O'Brien, Elaine Tessa Nikolao, Leydon James Papps, Sandra Ann Lynch, Marie (Pat) Eckhoff, Charles Benedict Waigh, Catherine Mary Fay, Mafatua Pune, Beverley Leslie Leila Neal, Mary Verona Nash, Bill van den Bogaart, Eleanor Yee, Kenneth Fabris, Henry O'Brien Gardiner, John van Lieshout, Elsie Smith, Josephus Magilsen, Morris Nash, Mary Patricia (Pat) O'Sullivan, Barbara Margaret Spuur, Tunu Lemiso Lepou, Trevor Harold Orr, Luzminda Reyes-Grundy, Franciscus (Hank) Kleinsman, Vitale Faleniko Lama, Alma Dawn Talbot

### We pray for those who are sick including:

Alipati Afoa, Elizabeth Schubert, Marna & Tony Starbuck, Pauline McDonald, Daphne Bankien, Christopher Bird, Helen Moverley, Margaret (Jean) Soo-Choon, Neil Stewart, Terry Brunton, Mele Tuila, Jack Kayes, Nada Barsh, David & Anne Wallbank

### Church Events:

**School Preference Forms:** Please contact the Parish Office for an appointment time and give your contact details in case there may be changes. Many thanks for your co-operation.

### Parish Baptisms:

Baptisms will be celebrated every **SECOND SUNDAY** of the month during 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.** **REGISTRATION** is required, please contact Parish Office at **09 299-6056.** **No paperwork - no baptism.**



For safety concerns, please note that **no parking is permitted outside the front entrance of our church on the Wellington Street side and make sure that you are legally parked on the surrounding street.** Many thanks for your co-operation.

### PARISH SITE DEVELOPMENT

"Building A Vibrant Faith Community"



#### Online Donations:

Acc. 02-0108-0707147-004

#### 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.

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

### ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL, PAPA KURA



54 Clark Road

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Me Whakakotahi, Kia Maarama, Kia Pono, Ki Te Karakia

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### Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School

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Ka Ako Ka Aroha Ka Manaaki

137 Airfield Road, Takanini

School website: [www.holytrinity.school.nz](http://www.holytrinity.school.nz)

School email: [office@holytrinity.school.nz](mailto:office@holytrinity.school.nz)

Contact us at 296 9039

Enquiries and school visits welcome

Phone school office (09) 296 9039

### St Ignatius of Loyola Catholic College - enrolment 2025

We are delighted to announce that application for admission to Year 7 in 2025 is open. Please visit our school website [www.ignatius.school.nz](http://www.ignatius.school.nz) and go to the Admissions page to read details about the process and complete an online enrolment application. The deadline for all enrolment applications is 23rd February 2025. Please note that for all Preference applications, a valid preference certificate must be uploaded at the time of application. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us at [enrolment@saintignatius.school.nz](mailto:enrolment@saintignatius.school.nz)



### COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR 2024

for \$15 each

Please visit or call Parish office for reservation.



### St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank

Thank you for your generosity. Our current requirements are Breakfast Foods, Jam, Marmite and Plain Biscuits. Empty Egg Cartons.

**SMYFS**  
 St Mary's Youth Family

"With God we will grow together in faith, family and love, leaving no one behind"

**When:** Friday every fortnight 7-8:30pm  
**Where:** Church Hall  
**Who:** 10 years and up

**TERM 4**  
 20 Oct. 3 & 17 Nov. 1 & 15 Dec.

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Youth Co-ordinator : Tracey Luamanu  
 Contact: 021 084 04602  
 Email: stmarysyoungfamily@gmail.com

**Junior Praesidium—Friday 5-6pm**

**Senior Praesidium—Tuesday 6:15pm**

**03 Nov. - Frank Duff Mass, St. John the Evangelist Church. Otara at 7pm**

**04, 11, 18, 25 Nov Rosary at the 2 cemeteries in Papakura at 10am.**

**19 Nov South Auckland Curia Recruitment and Promotion here in our Parish (TBC)**

**The Rite of the Christian Initiation of Adults/Children Timetable**

- Rite of Acceptance December 3 time TBC St. Mary's Parish
- Start of Catechesis January 21, 2024 St. Mary's Parish to gather during 830 Mass this will be every week until March 31
- Rite of Election February 18, 2024 Cathedral of St. Patrick and St. Joseph
- Rite of Initiation March 31, 2024 St. Mary's Parish - Easter Vigil Mass
- Mystagogy sessions From April to July and life long formation

For more information please call Parish office.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME TIMETABLE**

Reconciliation Dates: 5th / 12th November - 9:30 am

First Reconciliation: 1st December—tbc

Family Mass: 17th December—10:30 am

It is compulsory to the parents to attend with your children.

For more information please call Parish office.

Week 6th—11th October	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Psalm	Ps 69 p.76	Ps 131 p.141	Ps 112 p.122	Ps.46 p.54	Ps.98 p.107	Ps.145 p.154
1 Reading	Romans 11:29-36	Romans 12:5-16	Romans 13:8-10	1. Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12 2. 1 Corinthians 3:9-11,16-17	Romans 15:14-21	Romans 16:3-9,16,22-27
Gospel	Luke 14:12-14	Luke 14:15-24	Luke 14:25-33	John 2:13-22	Luke 16:1-8	Luke 16:9-15

**St Vincent de Paul Gifting Tree:**

Dear Parishioners, we invite you to take a tag from the Gifting tree in front of the lectern and buy an appropriate gift (NO CLOTHES PLEASE), for the age of the boy or girl written on it. Please place the UNWRAPPED GIFT, WITH THE TAG ATTACHED, under the tree, as soon as possible, but NO LATER than Sunday November 26th. On behalf of the children and their families, we thank you.

**St Mary's Women's Group**

St Mary's Women's Group has been put on hold until further notice.

**ALL SAINTS DAY**

Thank you to all the children who participated in celebrating All Saints Day. Thank you to our Altar Servers families and Legion of Mary for hosting.

**ALL SOULS DAY**

Thank you to our sacristan Philip who assisted Fr. Joy in blessing our loved ones graves.

**2024 God's Word daily reflection \$25 now or \$27 after Christmas.**

Please call Monica at 2961139

There will be a prayer for the sick integrated in the Liturgy of the Word every 1st Saturday of the month at 8:30am. If you want your sick family members or friends to be included in the prayers please send their names to Lay Camillian Family- Dennis Sanga at [dtbsanga@gmail.com](mailto:dtbsanga@gmail.com)



The latest issue in your church Sunday Nov. 5