

**THIRTY THIRD WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME World Day of the Poor**  
**Daniel 12:1-3; Hebrews 10:11-14,18; Mark 13:24-32**  
**17th November 2024**

	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:30 am
<b>Welcome /Intercessions</b>	Georgina Lautua	Mahonri Auva'a	Rosalie Petelo
<b>Ministers of the Word</b>	Lumepa Soo Choon Margrette Soo Choon	Audrey Kippen Evan Maratas	Rowena Hernandez Jason Farley
<b>Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion</b>	Raquel Sanga Dennis Sanga Evangeline Moverley Aran Silverio Jovita Parker	Shyamalee Krone Falaniko Malaki Filimoni Feagaiaga James Obeng Polly Ortiz Vincent Ortiz Annette Bingwor	Yolande McDonald Bernadette Paulse Rolando Reyes John Franks, Tea Venu Anna Cullen, Jane Castrillo Geraldine & Christopher Cuya Aurora Almario
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Emerziana Lautua Enzo Collado Albertus Lautua	Sheshan Krone Frankie Aita Edith Aita	Oliver Kiutau Skyler Fonseca Kiean Platon

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**Please Note**  
*(Email or call parish office to include the names for the item below)*

**SICK PARISHIONERS**

*We pray for those who are sick, especially:*  
 Audrea Warner, Tony Starbuck, Arthur Solomon, Terry Brunton, Lisa Matt, Judge Carpio, Bryan Wannell, Brian O'Leary, Rosario Tamin, John Ram Krishna, Rodolfo Tolentino and Graham Reed

**RECENT DEATHS**

*We pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently.*  
 Yvonne Joyce Davies

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES**

*We pray for our dearly departed with anniversaries of death*  
 Charles Benedict Waith, Catherine Mary Fay, Mafatua Pune, Beverley Leslie Leila Neal, Mary Verona Nash, Bill van den Bogaart, Eleanor Yee

*May they rest in peace. Amen*

**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**

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**St Ignatius of Loyola Catholic College**  
 Principal: **Dean Wearmouth**

**10TH NOVEMBER - THIRTY SECOND WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME**

1Kings 17:10-16; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

***The Dignity, Beauty, and Joy of Family Life***

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

This week I want us take a moment to reflect on the precious gift of family. In the heart of our homes, we find one of God's most beautiful creations - a place of love, warmth, and sharing. Families are the first school of love, a sacred space where we learn to listen, forgive, serve, and grow together. Psalm 133 reminds us, *"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!"* (Ps 133:1). Here, in this spirit of togetherness, we discover the true beauty of family life.

The beauty of family life lies in its simplicity and its richness. From the warmth of a shared meal to the laughter and stories that fill our homes, these moments of togetherness are where God's grace is at work. Let us not forget the joy of supporting and encouraging one another, even in small acts, like doing the dishes and help cleaning the house, knowing that every kindness deepens our bonds and strengthens our love. We keep in mind that there is no family without difficulties, but with love, prayer, and trust in God, every challenge can strengthen our bonds.

Let us also look at the simplicity of everyday family moments - sharing meals, praying together, helping each other, and finding joy in simple things. Eating together and spending time in conversation builds closeness and mutual understanding. As we come together around the dinner table, let us invite Jesus into our hearts and homes, just as the disciples did on the road to Emmaus, where they recognized Him in the breaking of bread (Luke 24:30-31).

God has entrusted each of us with the gift of family so that we may learn to love selflessly and to nurture one another. As Pope Francis reminds us, families are the "wellspring of society" and essential to the life of our Church. When we care for, forgive, and respect one another, we honour the dignity of every family member and build a foundation of love that reaches beyond our homes and into the wider community.

Let us cherish our families, contribute to their well-being, and help them flourish in faith and love. By following the example of the Holy Family of Nazareth, may our families become beacons of hope, compassion, and joy for all around us. God bless.

In Christ,

Fr. Mathew Vadakkevettuvazhiyil

**MASS TIMES**

**WEEKEND MASS**

**Saturday**  
 8:30am & Vigil 5:00pm

**Sunday**  
 8:30am & 10:30am

**Second Sunday of the month**  
 Baptism during 10:30am mass

**WEEKDAY MASS**

**Monday - 9:00am**  
**Tuesday - 6:30pm**  
**Wednesday - 6:30pm**  
**Thursday - 9:30am**  
**Friday - 9:00am**

**First Fridays of month 10:00am**

**First Saturdays of the month**  
**Anointings of the Sick - 8:30am**

**ETHNIC MASSES**

**Filipino language** 1st Sunday  
 2:00pm  
**Tongan Language** 2nd Sunday  
 2:00pm  
**Samoan Language** 3rd Sunday  
 12:00pm

**RECONCILIATION**

9:00 - 10:00am, Saturdays

**Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament**

Fridays 9:30am - 12:00pm

**First Friday of month**

10:00am - Mass  
 10:30am - 12:00pm and  
 6:30 - 7:30pm - Adoration &  
 Benediction

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**Tuesday & Wednesday - 6:00pm**  
**Evening Prayer (VESPER)**

**Sunday - 8:00am**  
**Morning Prayer (LAUDS)**

**RETIREMENT VILLAGE MASS**

**Longford** - 2nd Tuesday, 11:00am  
**Summerset** - 3rd Tuesday, 10:30am  
 (on 19th Nov. Liturgy of the Word  
 with Holy Communion)

## 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 027 2982327  
**SMYFs (St Mary's Youth Family)-** Bringing Youth Closer to Christ. We welcome all youth aged 10 & up to join us for our monthly youth sessions. We delve into scripture while growing closer with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Contact 021 084 04602, smarys-youthfamily@gmail.com for more info, or check out our Facebook Smyfs Papakura and Instagram @smyfs\_.  
 Next youth session is: **22 November, 7-9pm Hall.** All welcome  
**Legion of Mary Senior Presidium:** Mondays 6:15pm, hall committee room.  
**Legion of Mary Junior Presidium:** Fridays 5-6pm, Ryder 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  
**Music Ministry Team** - Singing and music practice for our Sunday Masses - Wednesday at 7:15pm. All welcome.  
**St. Mary's Women's Group** - Friday, 1:00-3:00pm, Ryder room - Brigid 021 02345439 or Jackie 021 1796602. No meeting during school holidays. All welcome

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY PAPA KURA



#### Food bank

Will be open on Thursday mornings for clients to collect their pre-booked parcels.  
 To request food assistance please phone **021 02671430** to give your details and you will be given an appointment time for collecting a food parcel.

## Christmas gifting tree

You are invited to take a tag and buy a gift for the child's age and gender on it. No clothing please or food please.

Please return your gift **UNWRAPPED** and with the tag attached on or before Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

Thank you very much for your generous support of this St Vincent de Paul outreach for needy families in our local community.



### Sacramental Programme 2025

Registration form is available on our website. Parents are requested to submit the forms with Baptismal Certificate not later than **17 January 2025**.

**Note:** For those who applied earlier needs to fill up the new registration form and submit or email it to parish office. We regret any inconvenience this may have caused.

#### Proposed Terms of Reference for the Site Development Committee and Fund-Raising Committee

The document is on our website. Parishioners and Friends of the Parish are kindly invited to read it and bring forward their amendments to the parish office by Wednesday, 20 November 2024.

#### Catechists needed for Children's Liturgy of the Word

We earnest seek parishioners to help the Children with the Liturgy of the Word. It is a ministry to proclaim the Word of God to the children and help them understand the Word at their level. Those who come forward will be given all help to get trained in this wonderful ministry. Kindly contact the parish office.

#### Midnight Mass on 24<sup>th</sup> December

There is a suggestion from the Liturgy Committee to have Christmas Carols at 11:00 pm and then to have Christmas Mass at Midnight. We are keen to hear the thoughts of parishioners regarding this suggestion. During the next weekend Masses, we shall take a show of hands to know if the parishioners like to have a Mass at Midnight. The Mass at 7:00 pm on 24<sup>th</sup> December and at 9:00 am on the 25<sup>th</sup> remains the same.

### Announcements from Diocese

**On the 'Wings' of the Spirit!** Gather with others in your parish to explore your faith through the Scriptures and to grow in your relationship with Jesus. Get **Wings.Nga Parirau** in your parish today, the **NZ Catholic Faith Formation programme**. Contact Dianna: [diannaf@cda.org.nz](mailto:diannaf@cda.org.nz)

Pope Francis has just released his latest encyclical, "**Delexit Nos**", **He loved us**, in the last couple of days and I will host a series of 3 sessions on this in Advent, **4th, 11th, 18th December, 7 – 7.30pm** on Zoom. Contact Dianna: [diannaf@cda.org.nz](mailto:diannaf@cda.org.nz)

**Join the Auckland Young Catholic groups going to The Send, Saturday 23 November!**

Be part of an epic day with thousands of Christians from across New Zealand. The Send will feature powerful international Christian speakers like Francis Chan, as well as worship led by top Christian musicians. Find out more and register at: <https://cdathesend.eventbrite.com>

**Nga Tapuwae.** Registrations are open for Ngā Tapuwae **10th to 12th January 2025**. Come and join us in experiencing the footsteps of Bishop Pompallier, Kupe, and the Poynton's with other pilgrims together sharing our Catholic and Māori heritage.

This will be a guided pilgrimage. Accommodation at \$80.00 per night per person will be shared living, experience and eating on the Marae. Your own transport will be required. For more information contact Dcn Steve on [stephenf@cda.org.nz](mailto:stephenf@cda.org.nz)

**Anniversary Mass 2025.** Registrations now open for **Coach Trip on 12th January 2025**. We are excited to invite you to join us on pilgrimage for this one-off day trip by coach to attend the Anniversary Mass at Totara Point. We will leave Pompallier Diocesan Centre at 6am and expect to arrive back at Pompallier Diocesan Centre at between 6:30pm - 7pm. For more information contact Dcn Steve on [stephenf@cda.org.nz](mailto:stephenf@cda.org.nz)  
*Lunch will be provided - Cost per person is \$15.00 All are welcome!!*

## Parish News and Updates

### Communication to the Parish from Senior Leadership Team

Dear Parishioners,

On November 2, 2024, our Senior Leadership Team met to further refine our parish's vision statement. We are dedicated to crafting a vision that is forward-looking, optimistic, and rooted in the gospel values of love and service. This effort reflects our collective desire to create a vibrant and welcoming community for all.

In our discussions, we emphasized the importance of being hopeful and proactive, ensuring that our vision aligns with the needs and aspirations of our parishioners. We are committed to embodying these values in our daily actions and interactions, fostering a spirit of unity and compassion.

We also finalized the selection of team members who will attend the Divine Renovation Conference in New Plymouth on the third weekend of November. This conference will be a valuable opportunity for our leaders to gain new insights and strategies to support our ongoing renewal efforts.

Please join us in praying for our leadership team as they continue this important work. Your support and engagement are vital to the success of our mission.

With gratitude and blessings,  
 Senior Leadership Team

#### Update your Record

Again, for old and new parishioners who's haven't been registered to our parish database, please make a time to fill in the online registration form at [www.papakuracatholic.org.nz](http://www.papakuracatholic.org.nz) and if you are having difficulty doing this please visit our parish office for assistance.

#### Booking of Parish Facilities

To all parish communities, if you wish to use the parish facilities, please email parish office for your bookings. It will be confirmed on a first-come, first-serve basis. No same day booking, at least one week before the event. Booking may be cancelled in the event of any liturgical, parish activity or funerals and a 48-hour notice will be given to you.

#### Pastoral Visit

Fr. Mathew is happy to visit you and spend time with you over a cuppa. He is happy to pray and bless your home should you consider. If you know someone who would appreciate a pastoral visit, contact the parish office.



**28th Oct - 3rd Nov**  
**Online Collections**  
 Pledge - \$ 3,454  
 Build. Fund - \$ 115

**Sat, 2nd & Sun, 3rd Nov.**  
**Mass Collections**  
 Pledge - \$ 1,722.90



Columban  
 Calendar 2025  
 now available  
 at the parish  
 office \$13 each

#### Signing of School Preference form

Every Wednesday between 8:00 - 9:00 am and 1:00 - 4:00pm  
 Please call parish office to book an appointment or walk in are all welcome.

Please note: On the **20th November**, the priest is not available. Please plan ahead for this service.

### Dates for your Diary

<b>Thu, 14 Nov</b>	Finance Committee Meeting, Ryder rm, 7pm
<b>18 - 22 Nov</b>	Fr. Mathew will be away for annual retreat. For this week Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
<b>Wed, 27 Nov</b>	Mass for the deceased priests of Auckland Diocese, St. Patrick's Panmure, 11am
<b>Thu, 28 Nov</b>	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, Ryder rm, 7pm
<b>Sat, 30 Nov</b>	Working Bee - Please bring in your own tools spray bottles, rags and broom to help with the maintenance. To waterblast the Presbytery, 10am-2pm
<b>Sun, 1 Dec</b>	St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic School, First Holy Communion
<b>Sun, 8 Dec</b>	Ecumenical Advent Celebration, 7pm, St Marys Parish

### THE PARISH NEEDS YOUR TIME

- ONE HOUR a week as Power point operator for each mass
- ONE HOUR a week as Eftpos operator for each mass
- ONE HOUR per week to count the mass collections
- TWO HOURS a month to be minute takers of the meeting for Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Committee and Liturgy Committee (choose only one)
- ONE HOUR OR TWO to clean the Church, Hall or Ryder room (choose only one per group or family)
- ONE HOUR a week to take Holy Communion to the homebound.
- You may have talents which you want make known to parish. Contact us.

### IMMIGRATION ADVISE

Rebecca Burges is offering an initial immigration advice free for 30 minutes on matters related to application, eligibility and problem solving around immigration matters. Contact her on 021 146 9842. Visit [www.visadirectnz.co.nz](http://www.visadirectnz.co.nz)



Host for next weekend: **16th/17th November**

5:00pm - ?  
 8:30am - Liston & Gavin Family  
 10:30am - ?

To support please call parish office



### Parish Needs You - Car Park Attendant

The parish is looking for volunteers to help out in managing our car parks for each Mass on the weekends. You will be delighted to see many smiling faces and greet and receive them as they drive to church. Please contact the parish office for details.

### Parish Car park

Since we have very limited availability for parking, we encourage all parishioners to leave the car park for the elderly, the sick and the mobility card holders. Thank you for your understanding.