

**FIFTH WEEK ORDINARY TIME**  
**Isaiah 6:1-8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11**  
**9th February 2025**

<b>Welcome / Intercessions</b>	Saturday 5:00 pm Georgina Lautua	Sunday 8:30 am Mavicle Auva'a	Sunday 10:30 am Ofu Schmidt	Sun. 2:00 pm - Tongan Mass Rosaline Petelo
<b>Ministers of the Word</b>	Margrette Soo Choon Lisa Gurney	Mohanri Auva'a Juvina Auva'a	Danae Anthony Jason Farley	Sela Kaloni Jane Fetu'u
<b>Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion</b>	Jovita Parker Apaula Lautua Martin Lautua John Frank Aran Silverio	Falaniko Malaki Shyamalee Krone Filimoni Feagaiaga James Obeng Volunteers	Jane Castrillo Aurora Almario Ana Silva Bernadette Paulse Jennifer Anacleto Miriam Mantes Arnel Mantes	Fakalelu Paseka Letisia Koloamatangi Anna Cullen Kumi Kaloni
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Oliver Kiutau Edith Aita Nitya Roshin	Sheshan Krone Jeevani Krone Jaron Castrillo	John Paul Feagaiga Katherine Forley Adrianna Anthony	Mele Kaloni Lupea Kaloni Oliver Kiutau

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Please contact Parish office for receipts.

**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, 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.**  
 Anna Patricia Helena Soo Choon & Janja Juric-Kokic

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES**

**We pray for our dearly departed with anniversaries of death**  
 Veronica Ayers, Joseph Vogrincic, Keith David Scharvi,  
 Felaniko Stowers, Kerry Marie McKenzie, Zita Mary Hawthorn,  
 Maureen Frances Wallace

**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 Mary's Catholic School**  
**Principal: Audrey Kippen**  
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**Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School**  
**Principal: Peta Lindstrom**  
**Ph 09 296 9039**

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

**2ND FEBRUARY - THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

Malachi 3:1-4; Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40



*"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40*

The St Vincent de Paul Society Papakura wish to extend our grateful thanks to all our St Mary's Parish family for your support over the past year, in particular the weekly food donations for our Foodbank and for the many gifts that were donated for our Christmas gifts appeal.

These gifts were given to children of the 93 families who received Christmas hampers in 2024. (About 230 children and teenagers). I am sure that there were many smiling faces and grateful hearts when the gifts were opened on Christmas morning.

You may be wondering who receives these hampers and gifts. About 30% of the hamper recipients are Parishioners, including those from Holy Trinity and St Mary's Schools, and the Foodbank.

The remainder go to families in need in our wider community. We work closely with agencies in the community - Kootuitui Budgeting and Support Services and Great Potentials Family Services Papakura - who are in touch with families in the Papakura-Takanini area.

St Vincent de Paul would also like to acknowledge our generous donors for the food hampers: New World Papakura, Van den Brink Chickens, Pak n Save Takanini, T.A. Reynolds and Balle Brothers of Pukekohe. We encourage you to support these suppliers.

As well as these items, St Vincent de Paul have contributed towards the Food hampers, which we have been able to finance from the proceeds of our Vinnies Boutique on Great South Road. Thank you for to everyone who have donated clothing, bric-a-brac or furniture for us to sell in the shop. Vinnies Boutique opens again on January 28th, after a well-earned break by our Manager and all our volunteer staff. We are always looking for more people who may be able to offer a morning or afternoon for as little as once a month (or more often if you can), so please come and see our Manager when the store opens again, if you would like to join our wonderful crew.

With proceeds from the shop, each year we are also able to offer scholarships to 4 students from St Mary's and Holy Trinity Catholic Primary schools as they go on to college; donate towards national and sometimes international emergency relief appeals; and individual/family assistance where necessary. Our Papakura Vinnies Boutique is one of the now only three St Vincent de Paul shops in the South Auckland area, and between us we contribute to the running of our Sth Auckland Centre at Otahuhu, which provides a range of assistance in the community.

So once again, dear Parishioners, a huge thank you to each and every one of you who have assisted us in various ways throughout 2024 and over the years. May God bless you all, and we wish you a very blessed year, as we journey as Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee Year.

*"God loves a cheerful giver..." 2 Corinthians 9:7*

**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  
 9th February, 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 (VESPERS)**

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

**RETIREMENT VILLAGE MASS**

**Longford - 2nd Tuesday, 11:00am**  
**Summerset - 3rd Tue, 10:30am**



## 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: **7th February**. 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 Power  
**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, 1:00-2:30pm, Ryder room - Brigid 021 02345439 or Jackie 021 02358939. No meeting during school holidays. All welcome

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY PAKAKURA

#### Food bank



Will be open on Thursday mornings by appointment for clients to pick up 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.



To host for our Parish Communi-Tea, please call parish office.

#### 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.

#### Signing of School Preference form

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

## Announcements from Diocese

**Sale now on for Annual Resources from the Liturgy Centre.** Cost Price Sale. Be quick as limited numbers. Jubilee Prayer cards also available 10c each plus postage.  
 Please order via: Annual <https://form.jotform.com/liturgycentre/annuals> or Resource Catalogue <https://form.jotform.com/liturgycentre/resources>

**Story of the Stations of the Cross** Across the diocese people will gather throughout Lent to walk and pray the Stations of the Cross. But why has this become such a popular devotion? How come there are 14 stations and not 6 or 23?  
 You are invited to prayerfully consider these and other questions as we explore with Sr Sian the meaning and history of the Stations of the Cross.  
 To register please email [pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz](mailto:pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz) to be sent the online link.

Monday, **24 February 2024, 7-8pm (ZOOM)** Fee: Koha. Donations are appreciated. For more information and registration: [www.studyjoy.nz](http://www.studyjoy.nz)

**Bishop Steve Speaks** tune into the diocesan YouTube channel playlist *Bishop Steve Speaks* to hear him reflecting on the readings of Sunday and other moments of conversation. [https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLYVVDAh6gEBFpCzXcTLhpW\\_gsxny4e](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLYVVDAh6gEBFpCzXcTLhpW_gsxny4e)

**Ethnic Chaplaincy Officers and Leaders Formation Day** | Saturday 22 February 2025 | Pompallier Centre 9:30am - 12:00pm

Inviting all officer bearers, leaders in ministry, pastoral associates, and all chaplains to your Formation Day as we provide you updates on the Migrant Chaplaincies Norms on Community Establishments, Finance, Safeguarding. Registration is essential - follow the link on the diocesan website event page [here](#). Email us at [pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz](mailto:pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz) if you have any questions, we can email you the specific link.

### Ministers of the Word and Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

The parish is inviting parishioners who want to serve the parish as ministers of the Word and Extra-ordinary Minister of Holy Communion. You will be trained, issued a certificate and commissioned in April 2025. To register contact parish office or pastoral office.



**25th - 30th January 2025**

#### Collection Report

Pledge - \$ 3,352.80  
 Build. Fund - \$ 505

**Registration for RCIC/RCIA 2025-2026 is now open.**

**Please contact Parish Pastoral office.**

Parish Calendar for 2025 is on the website.

**We ask parishioners of all ages, background and talents to write the stories of their faith journey. What does faith mean to you? How does your faith help you to live your life with its promises and hopes? What does your prayer life mean to you? It is for faith sharing and encouraging one another and to get to know the members of our parish family. The stories can be a maximum of 500 words. Please email it with a passport size photograph to [office@stmaryspapakura.org.nz](mailto:office@stmaryspapakura.org.nz)**

## Parish News and updates

### 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.

### Marriage and Convalidation of Marriage

It is a beautiful thing to get married. It is a blessing and an act of faith to have the Marriage celebration in Church.

Those who are planning to get married in Church, are most welcome to speak with Fr. Mathew. It is encouraged to begin a discussion at least 6 months prior to marriage.

We are happy to help those contracted civil marriage to have their marriage validated by the Catholic Church. Kindly contact the parish office.

### Catholics Returning Home

You may know someone in your circle of friends who left our worshipping community. As God is always searching and waiting for us patiently, we are happy to visit them and begin a process of dialogue. Contact the parish office.

### Baptism for children aged 7 - 12 yrs old

We are happy to invite Catholic parent(s) who have children not yet baptized, but open to baptism in the Catholic Church. We shall enter into a process of discernment and faith formation before baptizing them. Contact the parish office

### Presentation of Gifts during Masses

We encourage families to volunteer to take the gifts of bread and wine to the priest at the offertory. Please contact parish office to book your time.

### Sick members of our parish

Please keep in your prayers all our parishioners who are unwell and please let us know of anyone who may need spiritual assistance

### Update your Record

Again, for current 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.

### 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)

### Weekday Readings, 3rd - 8th February Fourth Week Ordinary Time

Monday	Hebrews 11:32-40; Ps.31; Mark 5:1-20
Tuesday	Hebrews 12:1-4; Ps.103; Mark 5:21-43
Wednesday	Hebrews 12:4-7,11-15; Ps.103; Mark 6:1-6
Thursday	<b>Waitangi Day</b> Hebrews 12:18-19.21-24; Ps.27; Mark 6:7-13
Friday	Hebrews 13:1-8; Ps.27; Mark 6:14-29
Saturday	Hebrews 13:15-17.20-21; Ps.23; Mark 6:30-34

### Dates for your Diary

<b>Wed, 5 Feb</b>	Parish Liturgy Committee Meeting, 7:00pm, Hall
<b>Thu, 13 Feb</b>	Parish Finance Committee Meeting, 7:00pm, Ryder Rm.
<b>Sun, 16 Feb</b>	Sacramental Programme 2025, Orientation & First Session, 12:00-1:00 pm, Hall
<b>Thu, 20 Feb</b>	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, 7:00pm, Ryder Rm.
<b>Fri, 21 Feb</b>	Last day of registration for Baptism over 7 - 12 yrs old.
<b>Sat, 22 Feb</b>	Social Night - 7:00 pm, Hall Tickets available after each masses. Funds goes to our parish building fund.
<b>Sun, 23 Feb</b>	Safeguarding workshop, after 10:30am mass, Church - Open to all wanting to volunteer within the parish
<b>Sat, 1 Mar</b>	Parish Picnic at Regional Park, after 8:30am Mass - Details to follow

### 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
- 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.
- ONE HOUR a week to manage our car parks for each mass on the weekend.
- You may have talents which you want make known to parish. Contact us.

### Building Inspection

The Finance Committee is seeking a volunteer(s) to inspect all the parish buildings and to submit a report. The report will enable the Finance Committee to budget and prioritize maintenance of all buildings. Kindly contact the parish office.

### Catechists needed for the following:

- To lead the Liturgy of the Word for children during weekend masses
- To teach catechism for Students in State Schools every Wednesday, 5:00 - 6:00pm
- To teach and prepare children aged 7 - 12 yrs old for their Baptism. Their parents will be in attendance

We earnestly seek parishioners/parents to help the parish in Faith Formation. It is a ministry to proclaim the Word of God to children and teach them catechism. Those who come forward will be given help to get trained in this wonderful ministry. Kindly contact the parish office.