



# ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## TE PĀRIHE KATORIKA O HĀTA ANA

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### “A SWORD WILL PIERCE YOUR SOUL”

#### CANDLEMAS DAY - 2ND FEBRUARY

Simeon is a real cool dude as they say. He is presented as an elderly priest of the Temple hierarchy but really he is just a good man of the people who holds in his heart the hope of one day seeing the Saviour. He recognises the Saviour when he meets Mary, Joseph and Jesus as they enter the temple to present Jesus and for Mary's purification.

The encounter is moving. Simeon as he recognizes the child, is so overjoyed. He “takes the child in his arms” with great love and affection. He blesses the child and his parents.

But then he turns to Mary. His face changes. He says: “A sword will pierce your soul”. We all know why and how.

The prophetess Anna adds melody to the symphony foretelling that this child is the long-awaited Saviour.

I think that this event is something to be held in our hearts as later in the gospel it says that Mary did. Imagine Simeon and Anna, in their encounter with Jesus and Mary and Joseph. A moment in time to be cherished that should somehow lift us up and take us all into the Christan and Marian mystery we hold so dear.

**“Mary treasures all these things in her heart “ Lk 2.51**

#### Candlemas Day

It marks the day when Mary and Joseph brought baby Jesus to the temple in Jerusalem, exactly 40 days after his birth. The Mosaic Law required them to consecrate their firstborn son to God (Exodus 13). Additionally, the law required Mary to submit to ritual purification forty days after childbirth (Leviticus 12:2-8).

The photo of the dance is a traditional Peruvian one called (el “Diablado” the “Devil Dance”) danced in Puno, Peru every 2nd of February in honour of Mary who crushed the serpent’s head.



#### PRAYER TO St. Anna, Prophetess

St. Anna, you received the young child, Jesus, when Mary and Joseph brought Him to the Temple to be dedicated to the Lord. Help us dedicate our lives to Him. You never left the temple, but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer. Inspire us with your faith and righteousness. May we see God like how you saw Him. Amen.



*Nga Miki Nui.*  
Fr Tony O'Connor SM.  
Parish Priest.




**ST ANNE'S 2025  
CALENDAR/MARAMATAKA**

**February/Pēpuere**

- 06: Waitangi Day (office closed)
- 11: 12:05pm Anointing of the Sick Mass
- 13: Sacrament Prog - Big Hui #1
- 21: 11am Mass at Elmwood

**March/Māehe**

- 05: Ash Wednesday 
- 09: 12pm Tongan Mass
- 11: 12:05pm Anointing of the Sick Mass
- 16: 12pm Samoan Mass
- 21: 11am Mass at Elmwood

**April/Āpereira**

- 08: 12:05pm Anointing of the Sick Mass
- 13: Palm Sunday
- 17: Holy Thursday
- 18: Good Friday
- 20: Easter Sunday
- 21: Easter Monday
- 22: Easter Tuesday (office closed)
- 25: Anzac Day



**Recently Deceased/Ngā Mate**

Dave Drollét, Epifania Pasā Pita, Iakopo Teofilo, Claire Burr & Joshua Lim

**The Sick/Ngā Turoro**

Fotulafai Chungsum, Phuong Lan, Su'a Pese, Elham Kemp, Anne Wallbank, Anne Stickney, Punipua Su'a, Anarosa Tofaeono, Gloria Williams, Lorraine Va'a, Lourdes Collins, Pauline Arthur, Helmut Rudolph, Mirjana Dorotich, Louisa Iosefa Aiolupotea Segā, Felise Segā & Rosalia Segā, Carmela Maplesden, Jon Maplesden & Marie Mani

**Birthday Blessings/**

**Manaakitanga Huritau**

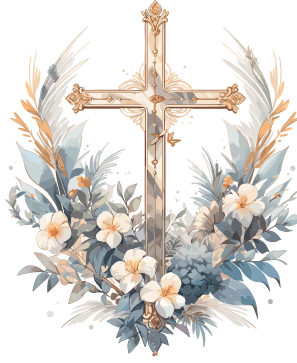
Mr Turei Sherman, Rachel Brzozowski, Claire Brzozowski, Gabriel Fiapito, Valelia Sila, Anne Finau, Faith Faimanifo Teo, Rianna Mitai, Rajinder Dhillion, James Robert Gledhill, Ahoaloi Taulanga, Ritta Siketi, Geraldine Bower, Loretta Masoe, Jonathan Masoe, Zara Blow, Charles Taliauli, Akata Manu, Joselito Layug, Florence Tumua, Paul Wilson, Russell Wilson, Dorelia Priva Dcruz, Lavalea Faasootauloa Leota, Abigail Ford, Marcus Tamuera, Kave Saili, Vaitoomulimelesete Ioane, Ashley Fidow, Zorawar Dhillion, Kosetatino Ioane, Amarah Maanaima, Wendy England, Amelia Vaioleti, Juvic Pedroza, Ursola Eteru Fuailefau

# In Our Parish/ I roto i to tatou Pārihe

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY BAPTISED CHILDREN

**May your life be filled with the joy, love and endless blessings that come from God. We pray that you continue to grow in grace & love.**

**Marcellus Seiuli-Wulf, Ivy Stirrat, Lorenzo Godinet & Arabella Quinn Granada**



## WHARENUI & FALE FONO ROOFS

The roofs are now on the Wharenuui and the Fale Fono. The buildings have been washed, stay tuned for the paint jobs. We are getting there.



## AUCKLAND ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND

### MARRIAGES 25TH JANUARY

Congratulations to these 3 beautiful couples!!!



**Bernice Miller  
& Morgan  
Heslop**



**Tamwariti  
Moote & Irwin  
Bureka**



**Amelia Oliveti &  
Irae Oge**

## KNITTING GROUP - TUESDAY 4TH FEB 2025

The knitting group's first meeting of the year will be held on Tuesday 4th Feb in the Church Lounge at 10am.



# CALLING ALL ALTAR SERVERS!

Calling all Altar Servers old and new!! There will be a training session Sunday 23rd February at 3pm in the Church. This is essential for **all servers**.

Please contact the office or Fr Kevin.

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME (RCIC) 8-17 YRS

The launch is only 2 weeks away and we are very excited! On Thursday just gone, the Catechists met with Anne, Fr Peter and Fr Tony for a pre-launch meeting to go over all the things. They are excited! The admin team have been doing all the paperwork and getting everything into order. They are all excited! Lots of registrations are coming through. Everyone is excited!

We are still taking registrations up until 12pm, Friday 21st February. Remember, we need copies of birth certificates and baptism certificates.

Here are the key dates for the programme:

- Sunday 16 Feb - Big Hui #1. This is where we all come together in the church, all must attend
- Friday 21 Feb - Registrations close
- Sunday 23 Feb - 15 March Classes for block one
- Sunday 16 March - Big Hui #2 + baptisms for kids that are "catching up"
- Tuesday 18 March - Reconciliation (parents are welcome to take part also)
- Sunday 23 March 12 April - classes for block two
- Sunday 13 April (Palm Sunday) - Big Hui #3  
HOLY WEEK Two Week Recess
- Saturday 27 April 17 May - Classes for block 3
- Sunday 18 May - Big Hui #4
- Tuesday 20 May - Confirmation
- First Holy Communion on the weekend of 24/25 May at all the Masses

We look forward to seeing all our rangitahi/young people take this very important step in their faith.

**PLEASE COMPLETE A REGISTRATION FORM**

**Paper form in Atrium OR online OR scan the QR code on the right ->**

**<https://manurewacatholic.org.nz/confirmation/>**



## ST ANNE'S REGULAR


### EVENTS

#### MONDAY

**Temples of the Holy Spirit Prayer Group**

7pm every Monday

In the Church Lounge


Contact: Serena - 269 6353 or 02040880300 

#### TUESDAY

**Legion of Mary Senior Meeting**

Every Tuesday


6:30-8pm in the Church Lounge

Contact: Agnes Wulf - 02040676737 

**Christian Meditation Group**

Every Tuesday

7pm-8pm in the Church Chapel

Contact: Grace Switzer - 027 250 7206 

**Knitting Group**

1st, 3rd & 5th Tuesday of every month

10am-12pm, Church Lounge

Contact Dianne - 021 152 4310

#### WEDNESDAY

**Divine Mercy**

Every Wednesday 

**RETURNING ON 12th FEB**

Contact: Pesu Tuala - 027 256 1955, bessietuala@hotmail.com

**Indoor Bowls**

Every Wednesday

**RETURNING ON 12th MARCH**

Contact: Bev - 267 2026

#### FRIDAY

**Legion of Mary Junior Meeting**

Every Friday

5pm-6pm in the Church Lounge

Contact: Malia Fa'afai - 02102820142 

#### SUNDAY

**Tongan Sunday School (ECL)**

Every Sunday

11am in the Church Hall

**RETURNING ON 9th FEB**

Contact: Luni Terry - 0211756198,

kaifafatongiatau12@gmail.com

**Samoa Sunday School**

Every Sunday

8:30am in the Church Hall

**RETURNING ON 23rd FEB**

Contact: Luni Terry - 0272431887, luni.Terry@jarussell.co.nz



## 6TH OF FEBRUARY Waitangi Day

# PARISH CONTACTS

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS AND COMING HOME

Please contact the **Office** or **Langi Nunan**, 0225272193  
[rcia.stannes@gmail.com](mailto:rcia.stannes@gmail.com).

### OCCASIONAL MASSES

**MAORI MASS - 4TH SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH**  
11:30am Mass

**SAMOAN MASS - 3RD SUNDAY OF ODD MONTHS**  
12pm Mass

**TONGAN MASS - 2ND SUNDAY OF ODD MONTHS**  
12pm Mass

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION

#### 6 WEEK PROGRAMME

The next round begins in 2025, **May 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th and June 5th.**

Registrations are now open online via this [link](#) or scan the QR code on the right



### INFANT/CHILD BAPTISM

#### FOR CHILDREN 0 - 7

For Catholic parents who want to baptise their children, must attend one class before booking the ceremony. To register please fill in the form via this [link](#).

For more info please contact the Parish Office 09 266 5826 or email [baptism.stannes@gmail.com](mailto:baptism.stannes@gmail.com)

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### SAFEGUARDING/TIKANGA HAUMARU

Safeguarding is making a safe space for all our people

Children always need a caregiver accompanying them to the bathroom.



**COMPLAINTS AND CONCERNS:** (Strictly Confidential) For any feedback, complaints and concerns. Your first point of contact for this Parish is Tina Pakipaki: [opsmanager.stannes@gmail.com](mailto:opsmanager.stannes@gmail.com)

Use this bank account for Weekly Offerings:  
02-0108-0707622-000  
Reference: Your Giving Number  
Particulars: Your Last Name  
Code: Weekly

Use this bank account for the new church building:  
02-0108-0707622-004  
Reference: Your Giving Number  
Particulars: Your Last Name  
Code: Rebuild

**PREVIOUS OFFERINGS**  
November - \$35,467.99  
December - \$36,787.77

## YEAR B READINGS

**2 FEBRUARY 2025**  
**Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**

Malachi 3:1-4 | Psalm 24:7-10  
Hebrews 2:14-18 | Luke 2:22-40



**9 FEBRUARY 2025**  
**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Isaiah 6:1-8 | Psalm 138: 1-8  
1 Corinthians 15:1-11 | Luke 5:1-11

### ALTAR SERVER, COMMENTATOR, LECTOR AND SPECIAL MINISTER ROSTER

8th/9thFeb	8th - 5:30pm	9th - 8am	9th - 10am	9th - 5pm
ALTAR SERVER 1	Johann Kaihau	Nina Leolaga	Kym Chute	Eline Tipasa
ALTAR SERVER 2	Priscilla Kaihau	Magdala Leolaga	Livian Chute	Ropati Tipasa
ALTAR SERVER 3	Amanda Esekia	Florence Tumua	Anah-Maria Ioane	Latoya Tully
ALTAR SERVER 4	Wayne Esekia	Sophia Lene	Anastasia Leuea	Sarona Ioane
COMMENTATOR	Val Titie	<b>DIVINE MERCY</b>	Maliana Manu	Caroline Lauaki
LECTOR 1	Sieni Telea Ioane		Easter Iakopo	Ursula Tamiano
LECTOR 2	Stephanie Luteru		Des Kiely	Michelle Scorrige
SP. MINISTER	Iulietta Leafa	Malia Fafoi	Sally Roberts	Luanna Enoke
SP. MINISTER	Monty Dsor	Serena Rouse	Anne Singh	Anna Everatt
SP. MINISTER	Sally Roberts	Amy Verissimo	Lealo Tuiatua	Hanna Malele
SP. MINISTER		Steph Lee	Papalii L Chung Sum	
SP. MINISTER		Sally Roberts	Paulina Ifopo	