



ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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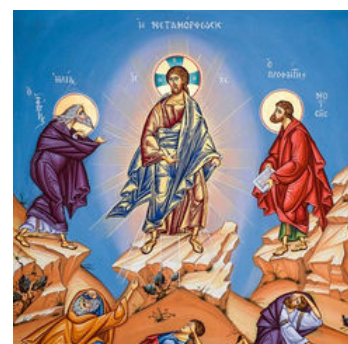
THE TRANSFIGURATION

ALL ABOUT JESUS – WHO HE IS, WHAT HE HAS DONE, AND WHAT MATTERS.

The Transfiguration is when Jesus took three of his disciples, Peter, James, and John, up on a mountain where Moses and Elijah appeared and Jesus was transfigured, his face and clothes becoming dazzlingly bright (Luke 9:28–36).



This appearance was an affirmation of Jesus as fulfilling the promises of the law and the prophets of the Old Testament, as well as affirming that Jesus is the Messiah.



It occurs on a mountain (Tabor) in the presence of Peter, James and John, the first to be initially called by Jesus.

Jesus's appearance changes to bright white as He is praying. The three disciples sleep just as they slept in the Garden of Gethsemane. This special Theophany (Revelation) indicates that just as Moses liberated the Chosen People in the Exodus from Egypt, Jesus will liberate all mankind through his passion, death and Resurrection, the new Exodus.



On witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, the disciples hear a voice from heaven, just like when Jesus was baptised in the Jordan by John.

“This is my chosen Son; listen to him.”

The disciples kept secret what they had seen because they were confused and sleepy. But when Jesus dies and rises, they understand.

Jesus is the fulfilment of the New and the Old Testament.

This is the big revelation for us to accept in faith as we journey to Easter. As we **fast, pray and give** to the needy, to hear and believe that Jesus as the Chosen Son to whom we must listen and place our trust in.



Have you yourself ever had a “Transfiguration experience in your life where you, like the apostles felt good and in an elevated space? Sometimes Jesus allows us to feel this and close to Him and have something to remember and cherish, something to sustain us in hard times.

Nga Mihi Nui,
Fr Tony O'Connor SM.
Parish Priest.



March/Māehe

- 18: 7pm Sacramental Programme Reconciliation Rite 2
- 21: 11am Mass at Elmwood
- 23: 11:30am Maori Miha & 3pm Synodality Meeting
- 30: 5pm Family Mass

April/Āpereira

- 02: 7pm Rite II Reconciliation
- 08: 12:05pm Anointing of the Sick Mass
- 13: Palm Sunday & 3pm Sacramental Programme Big Hui #3
- 17: Holy Thursday
- 18: Good Friday (office closed)
- 20: Easter Sunday
- 21: Easter Monday
- 22: Easter Tuesday (office closed)
- 25: Anzac Day (office closed)
- 27: 11:30am Maori Miha & Divine Mercy Sunday



Recently Deceased/Ngā Mate
Kevin Street & Herbert Brown

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

Patricia Loto, Aramoā Heka, Mia Yandall, Charles Alexander, Patelesio Manukeu, Emanuella Fiapito, Lasalo Wilson, Kyle Guerrero, Julia Iosefo Samu, Lavi Lameta, Lennox Figota, Christine O'Brien, Mata Passi, Hunter Taylor, Adi Watta, Madison Tamuera, Matalena Vaotua, Zendell Veda Mari Jareno Comia, Jose Karlo Calderon Martinez, Mafua Malo Poto, Duane Tully, Kalan Kippen, Malina Tagilala, Binoj Pullattu, Frank McVey, Theresa Williams, Melefinau Sood, Kara Whitehead, Tessa Olaño, Margaret McVey, Malialofa Faleono, Diana Kauvalu, Heni Kauvalu, Chaska Guffens, Orlando Vatuvei, Patrick Curran, Cooper O'Donnell

In Our Parish/
I roto i to tatou Pārihe

TODAY, SUNDAY 16TH MARCH



Samoan Mass at 12pm

Baptism Ceremony at 2pm

Sacramental Programme Big Hui #2 at 3pm

CARITAS LENTEN PRAYER - WEEK 2



E te Atua o ngā Maunga, God of the Mountains, we stand in awe of You! Thank you for always being with us regardless of where we may be on our journeys. May we choose to follow Your instruction to listen to Jesus every day. Let us be transformed by Your light, so that those we encounter will draw closer to You. E te Ariki. Whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou.

ST ANNES - CARITAS LENTEN APPEAL 2025

"Restoring Hope: Your Compassion in Action / Kia Puawai Te Tūmanako."

This is the Lenten Appeal theme for 2025, and it is aligned with Pope Francis's Jubilee theme of "Pilgrims of Hope". It is inviting us to actively embody love, compassion, and hope in our daily lives.

We still have Koha Boxes for the kids and the weekly envelopes for the adults.

Each Sunday at Mass, we hope to present a short video that shows projects in Tonga, Gaza, Ukraine, Kenya and Fiji.

Care for our own family comes before solidarity for troubled spots of the world.



DONATION FROM COMMUNITY CAN COLLECTING FOR YOUTHLINE

In March, ASB Bank will match any donations made to Youth Line one for one. From our can collection (the last sale got us \$291.00), we have donated \$500.00, and ASB will match our donation with \$500.00. So, effectively, we are giving \$1,000.00 to Youth Line.

Thank you to the Sanele Family for crushing and selling the cans. Thank you to St Anne's School for the use of your trailer. Thank you all for your donation of cans. Good Health to all. Cheers!!



STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS AT 7PM IN LENT

Week 1: 7/3 - Tongan Community
Week 2: 14/3 - Filipino Community
Week 3: 21/3 - Fijian Community
Week 4: 28/3 - Samoan Community
Week 5: 4/4 - Indian Group
Week 6: 11/4 - Divine Mercy Group

Our thanks to the groups who volunteered!

Thank you, thank you, thank you !!

HOLY WEEK MUSIC GROUPS

Holy Thursday - Ave Maria
Good Friday - Tongan
Community
Easter Vigil - St Anne's Choir



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

6pm-7pm 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

6pm-8pm in the Chapel

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



Indoor Bowls

Every Wednesday

7:30pm in the Church Hall

Contact: Bev - 267 2026

FRIDAY

Legion of Mary Junior Meeting

Every Friday

5pm-6pm in the Church Lounge

Contact: Sally Roberts -
027 406 1724



SUNDAY

Tongan Sunday School (ECL)

Every Sunday

11am in the Church Hall

Contact: Kaifa Fatongiatau -
0211756198,
kaifafatongiatau12@gmail.com

Samoan Sunday School

Every Sunday

8:30am-9:30am in the Church Hall

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS STAKES DONATION

Our thanks to the Tongan Community for
preparing and donating these very fine
Stations of the Cross stakes for stations out in
the grounds.



LENTEN RECONCILIATION RITE 2 AT 7PM - SOUTH AUCKLAND DEANERY 2025



St Patrick's Pukekohe - Tuesday 1st April,
St Anne's Manurewa - Wednesday 2nd April
St Therese, Mangere East - Thursday 3rd April
St. John the Evangelist, Otara - Friday 4th April
St Mary's Papakura - Tuesday 8th April
St Peter Chanel, Clover Park - Wednesday 9th April
Holy Cross, Papatoetoe - Thursday 10th April

LEGION OF MARY

1. The Legion of Mary invites all active and auxiliary members to the ACIES on **Sat 22 March** at St John the Evangelist Church, Otara. Rosary starts at 12:30 pm.
2. The Legion of Mary will sponsor a morning tea for all parishioners **after 10am mass on Sun 23 March**

SYNODAL MEETING SUN 23RD MARCH 3PM-4:30PM THE QUESTION

How can our parish structures foster **many forms of leadership** that bring our parish community together, nurture our faith and promote the mission of Jesus in our community?

We want many people to come and contribute.

CALLING ALL YOUTH AT ST ANNES!

Are you between the ages of 10 and 20?

Would you like to be an ACTOR!

We, (the youth of St Anne's) are running the outdoor stations of the cross on Good Friday at 10am. WE need you to be involved to share your Faith and Talents!

Come and join us for dinner at **6:30 pm** in the Hall on **Saturday 29th March** and share in the practise afterwards. We will finish at 8:15pm.

See you There! Fr Kevin

PARISH CONTACTS

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS AND COMING HOME

Please contact the **Office** or **Langi Nunan**, 0225272193 or rcia.stannes@gmail.com.

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.



1ST RECONCILIATION, HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION FOR CHILDREN 8 - 17 YEARS

The programme has now commenced. **All participants please check Facebook for updates.**

INFANT/CHILD BAPTISM FOR CHILDREN 0 - 7

For Catholic parents who want to baptise their children. Must attend two classes before booking the ceremony

Please contact the Parish Office 266 5826 baptism.stannes@gmail.com

Fr Tony O'Connor SM

Parish Priest
pastor.stannes2024@gmail.com
021 981 420

Fr Kevin Murphy SM

kevin.murphy@logos.org.nz

Fr. Carl Telford SM

ctelfordsm@actrix.co.nz

Fr. Peter McDermott SM

pmcdermott43@gmail.com

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COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Private Houses - Coordinator Amy

Verissimo, 029 264 2102,
stannes.sick@gmail.com

Rest Homes - Coordinator Joseph Tucker,
021 037 0363, stannes.circ@gmail.com

COMMITTEES, GROUPS, & MANAGEMENT

Altar Servers - Andrew Malele,
021 023 90935

Events - Christabel Edwards,
021 875 956

Finance - Lorna Gayatin, 09 2665826

Health and Safety - Sally Roberts,
027 406 1724, hns.stannes@gmail.com

Liturgy - Tala Tafu, 021 051 0243

Music - Rose Lamont, 027 584 5548,
rosemarielamo@gmail.com

Pastoral Committee - Matthew Norman,
pastoralcommittee.stannes@gmail.com

St Anne's Climate and Social Action Group -

Sr Margaret Martin, 09 2636464,
margaret@sistersofmercywiri.org.nz

St Vincent de Paul Shop - 4 Station Road,
Manurewa (09) 267 4581

PRAYER AND CATHOLIC LIVING GROUPS

Couples for Christ - Glen Cunningham,
027 800 0050

CULTURAL GROUP REPRESENTATIVES

Fijian - Chermayne Raega, 021 167 9230

Filipino - Cesar Cozo 0274444695

Māori - Eddie Hita, 027 279 9556

Samoan - Tuala Sefo Tevaga, 0211062174

Tokelauan - Matt Ineleo, 022 326 6139,
ineleom@gmail.com

Tongan - 'Etuete Manu, 021 183 2334,
etuete.manu@hotmail.co.nz



**"I do believe, help my unbelief."
- Mark 9:24**

SAFEGUARDING/ TIKANGA HAUMARU

Safeguarding is making a safe space for all our people

Everyone is welcome here!
We invite everyone to be part of our St Anne's Family.



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

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

January - \$44, 544.55

February - \$39, 233.55

YEAR C READINGS

16 MARCH 2025
Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18 | Psalm 27:1, 7-9, 13-14
Phillippians 3:17-4:1 | Luke 9:28-36



23 MARCH 2025
Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 17:3-7 | Psalm 95: 1-2, 6-9
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 | John 4:5-42

ALTAR SERVER, COMMENTATOR, LECTOR AND SPECIAL MINISTER ROSTER

22nd/23rd March	22nd - 5:30pm	23rd - 8am	23rd - 10am	23rd - 5pm
ALTAR SERVER 1	Faivaalofilima Ioane	Loretta Pita	Nina Leolaga	Eline Tipasa
ALTAR SERVER 2	Amanda Esekia	Mua Tuivaivave	Schwartz Paulo	Jian Gabitan
ALTAR SERVER 3	Wayne Esekia	Anastasia Tuivaivave	Gianna Paulo	Faivaalofilima Ioane
ALTAR SERVER 4	Rachel Brzozowski	Florence Tumua	Matua Samuel	Katarina Yavala
COMMENTATOR	Sieni Telea Ioane	FIJIAN COMMUNITY	ST JOACHIM	Hoy Neng Wong Soon
LECTOR 1	Stephanie Luteru			Crispin Montilde
LECTOR 2	Alethia Beirne			Ursula Tamiano
SP. MINISTER	Iuljeta Leafa	Iosefo Kalolo	Lionel Bureta	Anne Marie Gabitan
SP. MINISTER	Philip Cortesi	Silino Tevaga	Epifania Halapio	Jun Gabitan
SP. MINISTER	Jose Darwin Dela Cruz	Epifania Halapio	Anne Finau	Yvonne Gabitan
SP. MINISTER		Sally Roberts	Papalii L Chung Sum	
SP. MINISTER		Serena Rouse	Soane Nofokifolau	