



ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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THE "GOOD FATHER" PARABLE

The most captivating of the parables of Jesus is that of the "good father", wrongly called "the parable of the prodigal son".

It speaks of the "elder son", always loyal to his father in contrast to his naughty younger brother. When informed of the feast organized by his father to welcome back his younger sibling, he is not happy but angry and indignant, refuses to enter the party.

The good father invites him with the same affection with which he has welcomed back the wayward brother. With humble love he "tries to persuade him". But the son, resentful just explodes. He has spent his whole life following his father's orders, but he has not learned to love as he loves. Now he only knows how to demand his rights and denigrate his brother.

This is the tragedy of the eldest son. He has never left home, but his heart has always been far away. He knows how to keep commandments, but he does not know how to love. He does not understand his father's love for that lost son. He neither welcomes nor forgives. He wants nothing to do with his brother. Jesus ends his parable without satisfying our curiosity: did he enter the feast or did he stay outside?

The moral of the parable:

Try to become like the forgiving Father;

Don't be jealous like older son;

With the prodigal son, discover love of self, learned in the compassionate arms of his Father.

Application of the Parable to Me

The weakness and straying of the younger son I can easily relate to.

The jealousy of the goody good older I can identify with.

We can strive to develop a compassionate outreach like the "good father".

Why do priests wear pink on Laetare Sunday?

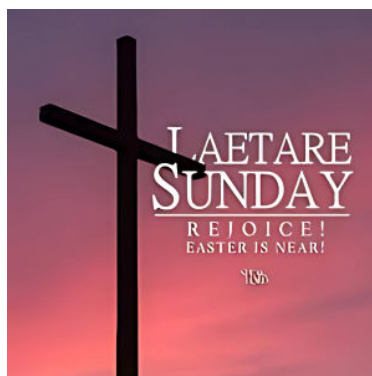
Pink Sundays – What's the Deal?

Twice a year, on Gaudete Sunday (the third Sunday of Advent) and Laetare Sunday (the fourth Sunday of Lent), priests rock pink—or technically "rose"—vestments. These Sundays are like a joyful little pit stop on the road to Christmas and Easter.



Nga Mihinui

Fr Tony O'Connor SM,
Parish Priest.



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



May/Mei

1: 7pm Marriage Preparation Course
Class begins
11: 12pm Tongan Mass, Mother's Day
& Vocation Sunday
13: 12pm Anointing of the Sick Mass
& 6pm Facilitator Meeting
16: 11am Elmwood Mass
18: 12pm Samoan Mass & 3pm
Sacramental Programme Big Hui #4
25: 11:30am Maori Miha & 3pm
Synodality Meeting



Recently Deceased/Ngā Mate

Herbert Brown & Sosefo Makasini

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 Josefa Ai olupotea
Sega, Felise Segal & Rosalia Segal,
Marie Mani &
Neville Jordan

Birthday Blessings/
Manaakitanga Huritau

Gaylene Kamali, David Loto, Joan
Henley, Tuua Vaotuu, Some Wulf,
Misinikani Nofoakifolau, Soni Tauasa,
Dylan Fiu, Gabel Thomas, Anh
Nguyen, Maria Ofisa, Sarena Tauilili,
Moungalakepa Lo, Christine Fualalo,
Portia Lim, Jamalliett McFarland-
Faaaliga, Gilon Cameron, Gil
Cameron, Kaufu Ekeieta, Kamatie
Ekeieta, Neta Ah Kiau, Lentine Fidow,
John Coldicutt, Maria Zinck, Bonyson
Gonsalves, Violet Nguyen, Taniela
Latu, Oliver Mikaele, Thomas-Aquinas
Enoka, Madilyn Abucay, Teri Tuau,
Maria Nguyen, Maria Sanele, Raiden
Dawinan, Benedict Fariu, Peter Gisa,
Antony Cullen

Special mention to Michael Pereira
who celebrated his 80th birthday on
St Paddy's day! Jason Borsos
celebrating his 50th birthday and
Silino Tevaga celebrating his 70th
birthday this week.

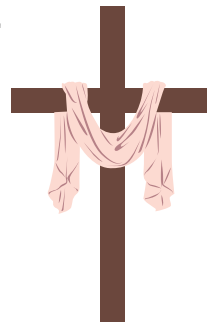


In Our Parish/ I roto i to tatou Pārihe

NO FAMILY MASS TODAY, SUNDAY 30TH MARCH

CARITAS LENTEN PRAYER - WEEK 4

E te Atua o te aroha, God of love, thank you for Your unending love that we experience as Your sons and daughters. We know that You loved us so much that You were prepared to give Your only Son so that we could have life everlasting. Reveal how love could become a common language for us all to understand one another and to share together. 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."

There are plenty of these envelopes available
in the Church Atrium.



PARISH NOTES

- 1 We hope you like our own St Annes Jubilee Banner. A simple explanation will be published in the next Bulletin.
2. The NZ Bishops have written to all parishes asking them to support the Bishops' Lenten Appeal given that the US Government has cut down drastically on funding for the poor and needy in the world.
3. Monte Cecilia has published a call for Easter Eggs for needy kids. They can be left in the parish office and we promise not to eat them.
4. **Please take care with proper parking** (please see the printed notice of roadblocks up in the Atrium) and start thinking of Holy Week

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

HOLY WEEK MUSIC GROUPS

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

Our thanks to the groups who volunteered!
Thank you, thank you, thank you !!



ST ANNE'S CHOIR

St Anne's choir usually practices each third Thursday each month at 7pm to help with the Saturday at 5.30pm and Sunday at 10am masses. A few help of us help in the evening masses if there is no cover. We will be helping with the Easter Vigil this year and have started practicing.

If anyone would like to join us, please let Daniella know at 027 230 0945 or rudolph.daniella@gmail.com All are welcome

NEW ROSTERS HAVE BEEN PRINTED AND ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH ATRIUM

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

PHOTO CATCH UP OF ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS



15th March - Legion of Mary in the Hokianga Hiko



15th March - Filipino Stations of the Cross



22nd March - Fijian Stations of the Cross



16th March - R.C.I.C Baptisms



23rd March - Legion of Mary Morning tea after for 10 am Mass



23rd March - #3 Synod Meeting

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Receipts will be issued **after ANZAC weekend**. We encourage you to move your planned giving online. Please contact the office if you would like any help with this or to request for planned giving envelopes.

If you have envelopes from previous years, please use them first!

ARE YOUR DETAILS UP TO DATE ON THE ROLL?

?? If you have changed your home address, phone number or email address, please make sure to update your details. [Click here for the form](#)

It is very important to make sure what we have on file is correct, especially for those who are doing **planned giving**. To update your details please fill in the form online.



Scan QR code for form

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 Fatongiatou - 0211756198, kaifafatongiatou12@gmail.com

Samoan Sunday School

Every Sunday

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

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

ST ANNE'S EASTER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
April 13th - PALM SUNDAY	April 14th - HOLY MONDAY	April 15th - HOLY TUESDAY	April 16th - HOLY WEDNESDAY	April 17th - HOLY THURSDAY	April 18th - GOOD FRIDAY	April 19th - EASTER SATURDAY
8am 10am 5pm	12:05pm Liturgy	7am & 12:05pm Mass 7pm Practice for Holy Thursday and Good Friday Ceremony 7:30pm Chrism Mass @ Cathedral - Fr Carl and RCIA	12:05pm Mass 7pm Practice for Easter Vigil with RCIA	No 12:05pm Mass 7pm Holy Thursday Mass 8pm - 10pm Adoration and Confession	10am Outdoor Stations of the Cross by the Youth (no 9am Mass) 3pm Good Friday Service	8am Our Lady of Sorrows and 7 Words of Jesus 7pm Easter Vigil
April 20th - EASTER SUNDAY	April 21st - EASTER MONDAY	April 22nd - EASTER TUESDAY	April 23rd	April 24th	April 25th	April 26th
8am 10am 5pm	12:05pm Liturgy	NORMAL MASS SCHEDULING				
April 27th - Divine Mercy Sunday	April 28th	April 29th	April 30th	April 31st	May 1st	May 2nd
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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

30 MARCH 2025
Fourth Sunday of Lent

Joshua 5:9-12 | Psalm 34:2-7
2 Corinthians 5:17-21 | Luke 15:1-3, 11-32



6TH APRIL
Fifth Sunday of Lent

Isaiah 43:16-21 | Psalm 126: 1-6
Phillipians 3:8-14 | John 8:1-11

ALTAR SERVER, COMMENTATOR, LECTOR AND SPECIAL MINISTER ROSTER

5th/6th April	5th - 5:30pm	6th - 8am	6th - 10am	6th - 5pm
ALTAR SERVER 1	Savannah Fiso-Lolohea	Wendy England	Livian Chute	Elaina Scoringe+
ALTAR SERVER 2	Josephine Fiso-Lolohea	Sophia England	Kym Chute	Alexei James
ALTAR SERVER 3	Benjamin Fiso-Lolohea	Tyler Utupo	Grace Lemana	Latoya Tully
ALTAR SERVER 4	Greysen Ioane	Isaiah Utupo	Uiti Lemana	Joseph Malele
COMMENTATOR	Brendon Ward	AVE MARIA	Anne Finau	Addison Scoringe+
LECTOR 1	Nick Agana		Rita Filimaua	Suliana Ahio
LECTOR 2	Rose Agana		Andy Filimaua	Flodelis
SP. MINISTER	Dawn Hutchinson	Sarah Beacom	Mary Bartlett	Evienna Eden Hartman
SP. MINISTER	Philip Cortesi*+	Anglelica Williams	Lionel Bureta	Anna Everatt
SP. MINISTER	Kieoma Lavulo*	Roslyn England+	Anne Changaiya	Laurielle Masoe*
SP. MINISTER		Rita Eti+	Papalii Lesina Chung Sum	
SP. MINISTER		Sesilia Eti	Theresa Chung Sum	