



ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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EACH OF US IS THAT SAMARITAN WOMAN

WE NEED FROM JESUS ACCEPTANCE AND REDEMPTION

Jesus, travelling through Samaria, stops at Jacob's well in the town of Sychar. He meets a Samaritan Woman who comes to draw water at noon, a time when most women would avoid the well due to the heat.

During their conversation, Jesus asks her for a drink, which surprises her because Jews typically did not speak to strange women nor had anything to do with Samaritans.

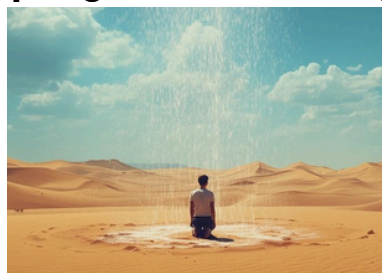
The meeting definitely breaks cultural norms and highlights Jesus' mission to reach out to the marginalised in society. **He offers her "Living Water" symbolising eternal life and spiritual fulfilment, contrasting with the water from the well.**

It is significant that this meeting is not only because she is a Samaritan, a group despised by the Jews, but also because she is an outcast in her own community, having had five husbands and currently living with the man who is not her husband. This context emphasises her need for acceptance and redemption.

Jesus's willingness to engage with her illustrates the theme of **grace**. He acknowledges her past without condemnation and offers her the chance for a new life, showing that God's love transcends social boundaries and personal failures. No one is beyond the reach of God's love and grace, regardless of their past or status in society.

True fulfilment comes from a relationship with Jesus, who offers **"Living Water"** that satisfies our deepest spiritual need. He offered this to the Samaritan. He offers it to each of us.

"The water I shall give will become in YOU a spring of water welling up to eternal life."



REDEMPTION



Nga Miki Nui.

Fr Tony O'Connor SM.
Parish Priest.



March/Māehe

- 12: 7pm Rite 2 Lenten Reconciliation
- 14: 5pm Parish/School Vigil Mass
- 15: 12pm Samoan Mass
- 17: 12pm Anointing of the Sick Mass
- 20: 11am Elmwood Mass
- 22: 11:30am Maori Miha
- 29: Palm Sunday & Sacramental Programme Hui #2

April/Āpereira

- 2: Holy Thursday
- 3: Good Friday (Office Closed)
- 5: Easter Sunday
- 6: Easter Monday
- 7: Easter Tuesday (Office Closed)
- 12: Divine Mercy Sunday
- 17: 11am Elmwood Mass
- 18: 7pm St Joachim & St Michaels Group Bingo Night
- 21: 12pm Anointing of the Sick Mass
- 22: 3pm Altar Server's Practice
- 24: 11am Acacia Cove Mass
- 25: ANZAC Day
- 26: 11:30am Maori Miha



Recently Deceased/Ngā Mate

Trish Kaminski (the aunt of Glen Ryan), Marie Gwilliam, Wendy Cheng, Sanele Siaki, Elizabeth Walsh & Mary Rudge

The Sick/Ngā Turoro

Puong Lan, Su'a Pese, Elham Kemp, Anne Wallbank, Anne Stickney, Punipuaou Su'a, Anarosa Tofaeono, Gloria Williams, Lorraine Va'a, Lourdes Collins, Pauline Arthur, Helmut Rudolph, Mirjana Dorotich, Kirita Ah Loe, Valda Nicklin, Sesilia Latu, Eseneiaso Moefaauo, Darryl Kemp, Neil McCarthy, Ginger Manavaofo, Lafaele Baice, Audrey McKay, Te Amo Herewini, Mikaele Pritchard, Steve Lauaki, Alexander Brown, Donny Tahir, Ruth Stewart, Jon Maplesden

Birthday Blessings/ Manaakitanga Huritau

Su'a Pese, Filisi Lavulo, Cyidon-Jay Campbell-Bourne, Noraseko Tominiko, Vivien Raega, Evan Lorenzon, Margarita Paras, Falaniko Tominiko, Lesina Ah Sue, Sylverina Tofa, Adam Manukau, Joan Carmen Lerios, Lilac Rinoa Jean Encina, Eileen Mika-Apulu, Allen Wulf, Faasifo Vailigi Rarotonga, Daniel Baker, Ritesh Patel, Iopu Seu, Greer Campbell, Iopu Seu, Nelly Eiken Aviata, Kenny Eiken Aviata, Joseph Malele, Cameron Mead, Eddie Hita, Craig Edwards, Sosefo Otukolo, Joseph Tucker, Anuheia Manu, Taufagapiu Tanielu, Alexandria Din, Ava Fruean, Kilisitina Therese Ifopo, Eileen Tautolo, Folauhola i Vaiola Tupola, Thomas Kelsall, Selestine Brown, Hideki Iwasa

In Our Parish / I roto i to tatou Pārihe

LENT ADORATION
EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT
5:30PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT
7PM

RITE II LENTEN RECONCILIATION
12TH MARCH 7PM

SECOND STATIONS OF THE CROSS

It was a lovely evening and a big crowd, no wind and just a few planes flying over. Our thanks to the Indian Community, young and older, who led us in the Stations. The text of each station was very moving, and most the people could all respond from their text. The Blessing was given in the church.

Next week, the third Stations of the Cross will be led by the Tongan Community.



FIRST SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME HUI #1

Good turn out for RCIC Hui on Sunday with the parents as the children prepare for their first Reconciliation on Thursday 5th March. Don't be nervous!



RCIC RITE OF RECONCILIATION - 5TH MARCH

The reconciliation rite was well attended and participated in by our young people and their parents. The videos did not work, but that did not matter. The priests commented on how well prepared the young people were, so congratulations and blessings as you move into learning about Confirmation.





ALTAR SERVERS PRACTICE - 22ND MARCH

There will be a practice held from 3pm to 4:15pm in the Church.
ALL servers must attend... no excuses please!

CONGRATULATIONS AND BLESSINGS TO THE AVE MARIA CHOIR ON THEIR THIRD ANNIVERSARY



RCIA UPDATE

Rite of Election with Bishop Steve Lowe in the Cathedral Sunday on Sunday 1st March.

Almost a full contingent of our people were able to attend the rite of Lektion in the Cathedral accompanied by Fr Peter



MAKE SURE TO GRAB A BIBLE DIARY!

For those who have missed out there are bible diaries available at the office. Payment can be made into the account below or come into the Parish office to pay via eftpos:

Name: ST ANNE'S MANUREWA

Acct #: 02-0108-0707622-000

Reference: Your Name

Code: Bible Diary



CARITAS LENTEN BOXES

There are a limited number of Lenten boxes that families can use with their kids to help them learn solidarity.

These will be given out after each mass this weekend. Please make sure to register your name and telephone number for both the box and the registry sheet.



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: Sesilia - 021 117 6334

Christian Meditation Group

Every Tuesday

6pm-7pm in the Kenefick Lounge

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

Friday Adoration

Every Friday

6:30pm in the Chapel

Contact: Lata, 0210 817 1178



SUNDAY

Samoan Sunday School

Every Sunday

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

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

Tongan Sunday School (ECL)

Every Sunday

11am in the Church Hall

Contact: Kaifa Fatongiatau - 0211756198,

kaifafatongiatau12@gmail.com
Legion of Mary Young Adults Meeting

Every Sunday

6:30pm-8pm in the Church Lounge

Contact: Malia Fafoi - 02102820142



PARISH CONTACTS

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS AND COMING HOME

For expressions of interest please scan the QR code or via [link](#)



MARRIAGE PREPARATION

6 WEEK PROGRAMME

Starts **Thursday 7th May**

To register please scan the QR code on the right or via the [link](#)



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

Registrations are open for July.



INFANT/CHILD BAPTISM

FOR CHILDREN 0 - 7

To register please scan QR code or via [link](#)



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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

5:30pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY

8am Mass

10am Mass

5pm Mass

OCCASIONAL MASSES

MAORI MASS 11:30AM -
4TH SUNDAY OF EVERY
MONTH

SAMOAN MASS 12PM -
3RD SUNDAY OF ODD
MONTHS

TONGAN MASS 12PM -
2ND SUNDAY OF ODD
MONTHS

MONDAY

12:05pm Liturgy

TUESDAY

7am Mass

12:05pm Mass

WED-THURS

12:05pm Mass

FRIDAY

9am Mass

SATURDAY

8am Mass

ANOINTING OF THE SICK -

Midday Mass every 3rd
Tuesday

RECONCILIATION TIMES

Saturdays after 8am
Mass and 4pm-5pm

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

CULTURAL GROUP REPRESENTATIVES

Fijian - Chermayne Raega, 0211679230

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Māori - Eddie Hita, 027 279 9556

Samoan - Leilua Pulimo Tuisaemo, 0212942361

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

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

COMMITTEES, GROUPS & MANAGEMENT

Altar Servers - Andrew Malele, 021 023 90935
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Finance - Lorna Gayatin, 09 266 5826

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

Liturgy - Tala Tafu, 021 051 0243

Music - Parish Office, frontdesk.stannes@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

SAFEGUARDING / TIKANGA HAUMARU

BOTH INDIVIDUALLY AND COLLECTIVELY. WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE.

For any feedback, complaints and concerns which are all strictly confidential. Your contact is Tina Pakipaki: opsmanager.stannes@gmail.com

'Every person has a value and dignity from his/her creation in the image and likeness of God'.



WEEKLY OFFERINGS

BANK ACCOUNT:

Name: ST ANNE'S MANUREWA

Acct #: 02-0108-0707622-000

Reference: Your Giving Number

Particulars: Your Last Name

Code: Offering

PREVIOUS OFFERINGS Jan - \$37 058.57 Feb - \$36 170.83



REBUILD BANK ACCOUNT

Name: ST ANNE'S MANUREWA

Acct #: 02-0108-0707622-004

Reference: Your Giving Number

Particulars: Your Last Name

Code: Rebuild

8th March

Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 17:3-7 | Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 | John 4:5-42

R: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

YEAR A READINGS



15th March

Fourth Sunday of Lent

1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13 | Psalm 23:1-6

Ephesians 5:8-14 | John 9:1-41

R: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

THE HOLY FATHER'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS: MARCH 2026

For disarmament and peace: Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

ALTAR SERVER, COMMENTATOR, LECTOR & SPECIAL MINISTER ROSTER

	5:30pm Vigil Saturday 14th March	8am Sunday 15th March	10am Sunday 15th March	5pm Sunday 15th March
ALTAR SERVER 1	PARISH SCHOOL MASS	Etilasi Eti	Azriel Yape	Thomas Enoka
ALTAR SERVER 2		Rita Eti+	Fay Rarotonga	Elaina Scoringe+
ALTAR SERVER 3		Wendy England	Kym Chute	Alexei James
ALTAR SERVER 4		Sophia England	Faivaalofilima Ioane	Eline Tipasa+
COMMENTATOR		Etuete Manu	Penina Ifopo	Hoy Neng Wong Soon
LECTOR 1		Anne Finau	Theresa Chungsum	Suliana Ahio
LECTOR 2		Suliana Finau	Tui Vito	Flodelis Tanyag
SP. MINISTER		Celesmaria Hansell	Susana Nofokifolau*+	Salamina Tipasa
SP. MINISTER		Diane Pilimai	Andy Filimaua	Sela Koaneti
SP. MINISTER		Dinesh Chand	Tala Tafu	Soonafai Taulanga
SP. MINISTER	Joseph Tucker	Anne Changaiya		
SP. MINISTER	Matalena Masoe	Iulieta Leafa*		