

PARISH NOTICES

Congratulations: Dale John, Lucy Rose & Jack William Noble LEYLAND and Lucas Yu Chao GE upon receiving the Sacrament of Baptism today. May the Lord bless you, your parents, god-parents, family and friends on this your very special day. The Parish of Onehunga welcomes you all.

- 1. Altar Book Stand** has gone missing. If anyone should know the whereabouts of this stand, please return it at once. The Fathers need it.
- 2. Finance Committee** meeting Tuesday 26th February 7.30pm in the Meeting Room.
- 3. St. Joseph's** school will be joining the parish for their family mass this **Sunday 24th Feb at 10:00 am**. The school is organising the Mass and will also be singing.
- 4. Legion of Mary** meetings are held every Wednesday at 7.35pm in the Pavillion. All welcome to join us, especially prospective new members.
- 5.** We are into the second week of **ZUMBA for 2019**. Zumba is running on the usual three days (**Mon, Wed & Fri**) for one hour from **6pm**, free and open to everyone. Watch this space for the date for our first weight loss challenge, for this year.

SEE YOU THERE!

Anyone who owns a spare or an old exercycle to loan or give away, please contact the parish office or **Fr Talipope at (09)636-4647**

DIOCESAN NOTICES

- 1. Holy Land Pilgrimage with Fr Sherwin Lapaan: 13-day affordable pilgrimage departing 9 September 2019. Small exclusive group; limited seats. For full details, please contact Laura on laura@skytrain.co.nz or phone +64-9-921 5106.**
- 2. Mercy Spirituality Centre** 104 The Drive, Epsom. Ph. 638 6238 or info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz or www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz **RETREAT DAY: Rediscovering Wholeness of Life in Christ: How gratitude opens the way** with SARAH COOPER. Sat 16 Feb, 9.30am-3.30pm. \$65 incl. lunch. **MUSIC WORKSHOP: Psalms and Gratitude** with Fr CHRIS SKINNER sm. Sat 23 Feb, 10am-1pm. \$30 incl. Morning tea. St Columba Centre. **DREAMWORK 101: Introduction to Dreamwork** with MARGARET BOWATER. Fri 22 Feb, 6-9pm & Sat 23 Feb, 9.30am-4pm. \$130. See our website for more details. Bookings essential, email: info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz to register.
- 3. St Valentine's Day Mass: Saturday 16 February, 5.30 pm**, at the Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph – a celebration of marriage and family. For further information, phone +64-9-360 3025, or email Gerry at genys@cda.org.nz.
- 4. Book Launch** "Listening to the People of the Land: Christianity, Colonisation and the Path to Redemption," Friday 22 February, 7pm, at the Columba Centre, 40 Vermont Street, Ponsonby. The cost of the book at the launch will be \$30. All are welcome. RSVP paxnz@xtra.co.nz. **Hear the Cry of the Poor and of the Earth** A day of retreat and reflection on hearing the 'cry of the poor and of the earth' 9am-4pm Saturday 23 February 2019. Mary McKillop Centre, 30 Holgate Road, Kohimarama. Cost: \$15 including lunch. Numbers limited. Please register with Peter Garrick peterg@cda.org.nz or phone 022 1300 730 to secure your place. **G.I.F.T (Growing in Faith Together)** invites everyone to their picnic in Monte Cecilia park, 72A Hillsborough Road, Hillsborough. Sunday 3 February 12 noon – 3pm. BYO Lunch. An opportunity to meet the community, get to know the community and join in the fun.
- 5.** Do you have an interest in **Ecumenism and Interfaith** initiatives? Bishop Pat is looking for people willing to promote Ecumenical and Interfaith endeavours in the diocese through his Ecumenical and Interfaith commission. If you are interested, please contact louisar@cda.org.nz

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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“Be merciful
as your
father
is merciful.”

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 24TH FEBRUARY 2019

Daily Morning Eucharist:	Monday - Friday	7.30am
Daily Evening Eucharist:	Tuesday - Thursday	7.00pm
First Friday Eucharist:	7.30am and also at 7.00pm	
Saturday Eucharist:	8.00am and Vigil	6.00pm
Sunday Eucharist:	8.30am & 10.00am	
Public Holidays:	8.00am, no evening Mass	
Adoration:	Sunday	5.00pm-5.45pm
Tongan Mass:	2nd Sunday of every month	at 12.00pm
Samoan Mass:	3rd Sunday of every month	at 11.30am
Youth Mass:	4th Sunday of every month	at 10.00am
Reconciliation:	Every Saturday	at 8.30am-9.00am and 5.00pm-5.30pm
Samoan Divine Mercy:	Every Sunday	at 6.00pm-8.00pm

REFLECTION

(1Sam 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23). Because of his great successes on the battlefield, David was very popular with the people. As a result, Saul became jealous of him, saw him as a threat, and sought to kill him. This reading contains the moving story of how David had an opportunity to kill Saul, but refused to do so because in his eyes Saul, as king of Israel, was a sacred person. This prepares us for the Gospel which contains Jesus' injunction to love our enemies.

(Lk 6:27-38). Love within one's group or fellowship is a natural and universal human trait. What makes the disciples of Christ different from other people is their ability to love those outside their own group of fellowship, and even their enemies. Jesus goes on to stress the obligations of fraternal charity. His disciples are to imitate the kindness and compassion of God. He asks them to be compassionate, forgiving, and generous towards one another, and assures them that whatever they give to others will be given back to them with interest.

(1Cor 15:45-49). Having asserted the reality of the resurrection Paul passes to the manner of the resurrection and the nature of the risen body. He draws a parallel between Adam and Christ. To Adam we owe the life of earth; to Christ we owe the life of heaven. We will be raised bodily, just as Christ was raised bodily. But the resurrection body will be very different from the body we now know.

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 24th February 2019

First reading:

A reading from the first book of Samuel. 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
The Lord has put you in my power, but I will not raise my hand against you!

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 102: 1-4, 8, 10, 12-13. R.v.8

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
 all my being, bless his holy name.
 My soul, give thanks to the Lord
 and never forget all his blessings.
 It is he who forgives all your guilt,
 who heals every one of your ills,
 who redeems your life from the grave,
 who crowns you with love and compassion.

The Lord is compassion and love,
 slow to anger and rich in mercy.
 He does not treat us according to our sins
 nor repay us according to our faults.

As far as the east is from the west
 so far does he remove our sins.
 As a father has compassion on his sons,
 the Lord has pity on those who fear him.



Second reading:

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians. 15: 45-49
Just as we have carried the earthly image, we must carry the heavenly image!

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia!
 I give you a new commandment:
 Love one another as I have loved you.
 Alleluia!

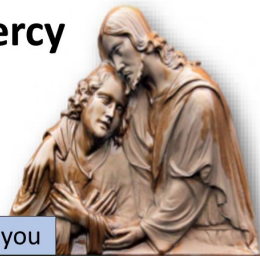
Gospel:

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke. 6: 27-38
Be merciful as your Father is merciful!

The Stairway of Mercy

Jesus tells us to...

1. Love your enemies
2. Bless those who curse you
3. Do good to those who are cruel to you
4. Pray to those who mistreat you



**God calls us to love everyone.
 Why does God tell us to do this?**

Readers for this week: Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th February 2019

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Lois Armiger	1. Pauline Calvert 2. Joseph Tuipulotu	Ane Enosi Veronica Hagar
8.30am	Hulu Tu'inukuafe	1. Christina Christopher 2. Fiesola Pifeleti	Savelina Mahoni Paul Lovett
10.00am	Tatupu Vaalepu	1. Thomas Taamale 2. Tonga Tuipulotu	Vahe'a Falemaka Dilynne Muller

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week: Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th 2019

6.00pm	Tonga Enosi, Therese Ulberg, Heloyis Titus, David Hagar, Michaela Duarte
8.30am	Grace Tu'inukuafe, Tony Atonio, Brandon Peters, Katarina Lovett, Limpia Britto
10.00am	Malia & Savelina Tuipulotu, Fusi Mataele, Loselika Laumea, Ane Enosi, Malia Fuga, Inoke Kata

Readers for next week: Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd March 2019

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	David Hagar	1. Assumption Ilalio 2. Thomas Taamale	Pauline Calvert Lois Armiger
8.30am	Tanya Robertson	1. Bro Kieran 2. Cheryl Peters	Susitina Tu'inukuafe Su'a Tagaloa
10.00am	Lisa Shaumkel	1. Maka Falemaka 2. Peta Sefo	Ane Enosi Iutita Sefo

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for next week: Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd February 2019

6.00pm	Tony Atonio, Malia Fuga, Imeleta Kelemete, Faumuina Lio, Tatupu Vaalepu
8.30am	Imeleta Kelemete, Hulu & Grace Tu'inukuafe, Bro Peter, Limpia Britto
10.00am	Tonga Enosi, Inoke Kata, Savelina Tuipulotu, Melanie & Stan Duarte, Elaine Williams, Loselika Laumea

Anniversaries for the coming week

11. Terence Thomas Henehan (1976), Annie Johansson (1981)
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13. Kathleen Agnes Howley (1977), Nancy May Matthews (1982), Sr Mary Snelgar (2011)
14. James Duffy (1980)
15. Mary Ellen Catherine Shepherd (1981), Roy Augustine Sammons (1984), Jens Christian Torstein Jensen (2002)
16. Eileen Patricia Verrer (1996), Francis Anthony Donohoe (2010)
17. Thomas Leslie Williams (1981), Ann Theresa Hoffman (1984)

**Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00
 Collection \$1919.60**

Readings for Next Week (03/03/19)
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
 1st Reading: Ecclesiasticus. 27: 4-7
 Psalm: 91: 2-3,13-16. R. cf.v.2
 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians. 15: 54-58
 Gospel: Luke. 6: 39-45

Anniversaries of Deaths: If you wish the deceased members of your family to be mentioned in the Sunday bulletin, please supply details the week before.
Email: assumptiononehunga@extra.co.nz
Phone: 320 4558 (Parish Office) 0210685181
 Monday—Friday, 9:00am to 3:00pm