

PARISH NOTICES

Congratulations: Bryson Handyside HANDYSIDE 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.

We want to acknowledge with gratitude, those of our Parishioners who attended Fr Andrew's installation at his new Parish in Porirua East. Thank you & God Bless.

We also want to acknowledge & officially welcome Fr Talipope Vaifale as our new Shepherd (Parish Priest) of Our Lady of the Assumption and are confident he will lead and guide us with great competence through our spiritual journey.

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**

- Liturgy Committee** meeting Tuesday 19th February 7.30pm in the Meeting Room.
- St. Joseph's** school will be joining the parish for their family mass on **Sunday 24th Feb at 10:00 am**. The school is organising the Mass and will also be singing.
- Legion of Mary** meetings are held every Wednesday at 7.35pm in the Pavillion. All welcome to join us, especially prospective new members.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

- 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.**
- Mercy Spirituality Centre** 104 The Drive, Epsom. Ph. 638 6238 or [in-fo@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz](mailto:info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz) or www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz **MUSIC WORK-SHOP: Psalms and Gratitude** with Fr CHRIS SKINNER sm. Sat 23 Feb, 10am-1pm. \$30 incl. Morning tea. **Venue: St Columba Centre. DREAMWORK 101: Introduction to Dreamwork** with MARGARET BOWATER. Fri 22 Feb, 6-9pm & Sat 23 Feb, 9.30am-4pm. \$130. **EVENING TALK – Grateful for God's Goodness: Love Poured Out** with ELIZABETH SNEDDEN rcsj. Fri 1 Mar, 7-9pm. \$15 **LENTEN SERIES: Journey of the Cross** Fridays during Lent, 7-8.30pm. \$10 each session or all 6 sessions for \$50. This series will provide an opportunity to reflect on the cross through music, Scripture, reflection, prayer and times of silence. Over the 6 weeks, each presenter will do two sessions each. The presenters are: Max Maxwell, Anne Warren chf and Cathryn Wiles-Pickard rsm. These are all stand-alone events and complimentary events. You are welcome to come to one, two, or them all... See our website for more details. Bookings essential, email: info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz to register.
- 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 gerrys@cda.org.nz.
- 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.

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION



“Happy
are they who
hope in the
Lord.”

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 17TH 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

(Jer 17:5-8). This piece of wisdom poetry contrasts the fate of the wicked who reject God with that of the just who put their trust in God. The former are compared to a barren desert shrub: the latter to a fruitful tree planted by the waterside. The blessedness of those who put their trust in God is the connection with the Gospel.

(Lk 6:17.20-26). For this and the following two Sundays we will be reading from Luke's 'Sermon on the Plain', which parallels Matthew's 'Sermon on the Mount'. Today's Gospel contains Luke's version of the beatitudes. The beatitudes echo the programme Jesus announced in the synagogue at Nazareth. Whereas Matthew has nine beatitudes, Luke has only four, with however four corresponding 'woes'. 'Blessed are the poor...the hungry... the afflicted.' These beatitudes do not refer to three separate categories but to three aspects of the same distressful situation. One may ask: what merit is there in being poor, hungry, and afflicted? There is none. The 'blessedness' of the poor lies in the fact that God is their champion. The fourth beatitudes was addressed to suffering and persecuted Christians. It was a way of encouraging them in the midst of the difficulties in which they were caught.

(1 Cor 15:12.16-20). This is a continuation of last Sunday's reading. Here Paul is insisting on the bodily resurrection of Jesus. He reproaches the Corinthians for their inconsistency. If they have accepted Christ's resurrection, how then can they deny the resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, it follows that Christ has not been raised. In which case his preaching and their faith are for nothing. But he has established that Christ has been raised. He is the first fruit of all who have died. In other words, the resurrection of Jesus is not something that happened only to him; it reaches to us also.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 17th February 2019

First reading:

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah. 17: 5-8

A curse on those who trust in humanity; a blessing on those who trust in the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 1: 1-4. R. 39:5

Happy indeed is the man
who follows not the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingers in the way of sinners
nor sits in the company of scorners,
but whose delight is the law of the Lord
and who ponders his law day and night.

He is like a tree that is planted
beside the flowing waters,
that yields its fruit in due season
and whose leaves shall never fade;
and all that he does shall prosper.

Not so are the wicked, not so!
For they like winnowed chaff
shall be driven away by the wind.
For the Lord guards the way of the just
but the way of the wicked leads to doom.



Second reading:

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians. 15: 12, 16-20

If Christ is not raised from the dead, your faith is in vain!

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Rejoice and be glad;
your reward will be great in heaven.
Alleluia!

Gospel:

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke. 6: 17,20-26

Happy are the poor. Woe to the rich!

Are you a Tree Planted near Running Water? That Yields Fruit? Whose Leaves never Fade? (Psalm 1)

Be FIT FOR MISSION!

Blessed are...

- The Poor in Spirit
- Those Who are Hungry
- Those Who Mourn
- The Pure in Heart
- The Merciful
- The Peacemaker
- Those Who are Persecuted
- Those Who Meditate Day and Night



Readers for this week: Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th February 2019

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Veronica Hagar	1. Ane Enosi 2. Therese Ulberg	Lois Armiger Pauline Calvert Glen Hill
8.30am	Cheryl Peters	1. Paul Lovett 2. Pat Doherty	Susitina Tu'inukuafe Selesitina Taamale Eseta Oloa
10.00am	Tanya Robertson	1. James Williams 2. Su'a Tagaloa	

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week: Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th 2019

6.00pm	David Hagar, Tony Atonio, Tonga Enosi, Savelina Tuipulotu, Tatupu Vaalepu
8.30am	Bro Peter, Bro Stephen, Limpia Britto, Imeleta Kelemete, Brandon Peters
10.00am	Nerid Lima, Stan & Melanie Duarte, Aiona Falemaka, Inoke Kata, Faumuina Lio, Kilika Leavasa

Readers for next 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 Savelina Mahoni
8.30am	Hulu Tu'inukuafe	1. Christina Christopher 2. Fiesola Pifeleti	Paul Lovett Vahe'a Falemaka Dilynne Muller
10.00am	Tatupu Vaalepu	1. Thomas Taamale 2. Tonga Tuipulotu	

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for next week: Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th February 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

Anniversaries for the coming week

4. Thomas Hewitt (1975)
5. Stuart James Gilchrist (1977), Annie Gertrude Hutton (1977), Dorothy Sheehan (1978), Frank Thomas McConnell (1981), Kathleen Monica Treanor (2007), Patricia White (2012), Claire Henehan (2012)
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7. Lillian Curran (1986)
8. John Patrick Kirwan (2009)
9. Margaret Trainer (1986), Ethan Earl McFall (2012)
10. Anna Florence McLoughlin (1977), Henrietta Wilhemina Peterson (2003), Sulficia Salas Cagasan (2016)

**Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00
Collection \$1592.20**

Readings for Next Week (17/02/19)

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

1st Reading: Jeremiah. 17: 5-8

Psalm: 1: 1-4, R. Ps 39: 5

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians. 15: 12, 16-20

Gospel: Luke. 6: 17, 20-26

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.

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Monday—Friday, 9:00am to 3:00pm