

PARISH NOTICES

1. **Finance Committee** meeting Tuesday 10th September 7:30pm in the meeting room.
2. **Family Committee** meeting Wednesday 25th September 7.30pm in the Meeting room.
3. **Thank you all for your generosity in your continual giving of dried goods to enable the Caring and Services Committee to continue our work.** YES we are still collecting and distributing - while the need is there, we will continue.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

1. **CATHEDRAL PASIFIKA DINNER & DANCE:** Saturday 21st September 2019. Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Parish Hall. 89 Galway St, Onehunga. Details on Noticeboard.
2. **Forming Intentional Disciples** with Sherry Weddell Saturday 21 September 10am-4.00pm registration 9.30am Lunch \$5.00 register with frchrisd@gmail.com – St Michael's Road, Remuera
3. **Mercy Spirituality Centre** @ 104 The Drive, Epsom. Ph. 638 6238 or info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz or www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz **Dreamwork 202 Workshops: A series of Skill-Development Groups** with MARGARET BOWATER. Fri 20 Sept, 9.30am-12.30pm. \$40. These workshops are open to people who have previously attended an Introductory workshop, and seek to improve their skills. **MEDITATION: Retreat day** with CATHRYN WILES-PICKARD rsm. Sat 21 Sept, 9.30am-3.30pm. \$35. BYO lunch. This Retreat Day is for those who are experienced in Christian Meditation as part of their daily prayer. This will be a Day of Silence, contemplative prayer, input, and times for meditation. **WEEKEND WORKSHOP Rediscovering Fire: Exploring the Spirituality of Teilhard de Chardin** with KEVIN GALLAGHER. Fri 27 Sept, 7-9pm & Sat 28 Sept, 9.30am-4pm. \$95 incl. lunch. \$145 also incl. accommodation Fri night. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin was a French idealist, philosopher and Jesuit priest. His vision was one of consuming fire, kindled by the radiant powers of love. It was a mystical vision, deeply Christian in origin and Ignatian at its core. This seminar will explore some key concepts of Teilhard's spirituality and vision and offer opportunities to taste and experience Christ at the heart of all things. See our website for more details. Bookings essential, email: info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz to register.
4. **Mayoral Election Forum:**
This is your chance to ask all the Mayoral candidates where they stand on issues important to the Catholic community. 7-9pm at St Columba Centre 40 Vermont St Ponsonby on Wednesday 25th September. All welcome. Supper provided.
5. **SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDY AT GOOD SHEPHERD COLLEGE** Bishop Patrick Dunn is pleased call for applications for a scholarship known as the Ruth Miller Scholarship for Study at Good Shepherd College. This scholarship will be available for a selected number of people who intend to do one or more Theology papers at Good Shepherd College towards a Graduate Diploma of Bachelor of Theology degree in 2020. For further information about this scholarship and to receive an application form, please contact Linda McQuade, Vicar for Education, Email: lindam@cda.org.nz . The closing date for applications is 14 October 2019.
6. **The annual Catholic Men's Retreat** will be held in Auckland over the weekend of 18-20 October 2019. To register online go to <https://tinyurl.com/y2sa9ujn> or contact Greg Sullivan at greg.sullivan@xtra.co.nz or 021 437 747 .

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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**“GOD'S
MERCY
TOWARDS
SINNERS!”**

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C – 15TH SEPTEMBER 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:	Every 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 prayer meetings:	Every 1st, 3rd & 4th Mondays at 12.00noon-2.00pm
The Legion of Mary prayer meeting:	Every Wednesday from 7.35pm-9.00pm (Pavilion)

Reflection

(Ex 32: 7-11,13-14). Here we see how the people abandoned God and fell back into idolatry. God's reaction seems to portray him as an angry, jealous God, who will resort to the most terrible punishments when his law is disobeyed. But that is not the message of the story. The message is that God pardons the sin of his people in response to the prayer of Moses. The role of mediator between God and man is now fulfilled by Jesus. He, not Moses, sits at God's right hand and intercedes for us.

(Lk 15:1-32). The fact that Jesus welcomed sinners and ate with them was a cause of scandal to the Pharisees. They, the 'separated ones', avoided all contact with sinners. They assumed that God had no dealing with sinners earlier. But Jesus shows them a very different kind of God. By means of three parables he justifies his concern for sinners. All three parables stress God's concern for the lost one, and his joy when a lost one is found. The parable of the Prodigal Son occurs also on the fourth Sunday of Lent, Year C, and is dealt with there. Therefore, I recommend the shorter form of the Gospel, which concentrates on the other two parables.

(1 Tim 1:12-17). The theme of the above readings is that of God's mercy towards sinners. This reading also fits in with that theme. Paul never forgot the fact that he was once an enemy of Jesus. But now he regards himself as a witness to the fact that Jesus came to save sinners. Just as a virtuous person is a witness to the grace of God, so a repentant sinner is a witness to the mercy of God.

**Readings for the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C 8th September 2019**

First reading:

A reading from the book of Wisdom. 9: 13-18
Who can discern what the Lord wills?

Responsorial Psalm: 90: 3-4,5-6,12-13,14+17 (R1)

You turn man back to dust, and say,
"Turn back, you children of Adam."

For a thousand years in your sight
and like yesterday when it is past,
or like a watch in the night.

You sweep them away; they are like a dream,
like grass that is renewed in the morning;
in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;
in the evening it fades and withers.

So teach us to count our days
that we may gain a wise heart.

Turn, O Lord! How long?

Have compassion on your servants!

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord our God be upon us,
and prosper for us the work of our hands.

Second reading:

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Philemon. 9b-10, 12-17
Take him back, no longer as a slave but as a much beloved brother!

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Make your face shine upon your servant,
and teach me your statutes.

Alleluia!

Gospel:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. 14: 25-33

Whoever of you does not give up all that he has cannot be my disciple!



HOW DO YOU MAKE THE CHOICE TO **C**ELEBRATE AND **R**EJOICE?

Do you make a **Just**
Choice?



Or... Do you **Just**
make the choice?

HE WAS LOST AND HAS BEEN FOUND - Luke 15:32

God is Merciful and Forgiving – He rejoices to celebrate the Repentance

Readers for this week: Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th September 2019

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Veronica Hagar	1. Bro Kieran 2. James Williams	Assumption Ilalio Lois Armiger Cheryl Peters
8.30am	Fiesola Pifeleti	1. Pat Doherty 2. Susitina Tu'inukuafe	Savelina Mahoni Pius Robertson Selesitina Taamale
10.00am	Nerid Lima	1. Su'a Tagaloo 2. Tanya Robertson	

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week:

Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th September 2019

6.00pm	Bro Peter, Faumuina Lio, Heloyis Titus, Colleen & Don Hodges
8.30am	Katarina & Paul Lovett, Limpia Britto, Imeleta Kelemete, Lily Ulberg
10.00am	Iutita Sefo, Elaine Williams, Eseta Oloa, Loselika Laumea, Melanie & Stan Duarte, Malia Fuga

Readers for next week Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd September 2019

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Ane Enosi	1. Tatupu Vaalepu 2. Lois Armiger	Pauline Calvert James Williams
8.30am	Pius Robertson	1. Christina Christopher 2. Savelina Mahoni	Fiesola Pifeleti Susitina Tu'inukuafe Dilynne Muller
10.00am	Vahea Falemaka	1. Tatupu Vaalepu 2. Thomas Taamale	Tonga Tuipulotu

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for next week

Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd September 2019

6.00pm	David Hagar, Tony Atonio, Tonga Enosi, Lily Ulberg, Savelina Tuipulotu
8.30am	Grace & Hulu Tu'inukuafe, Su'a Tagaloo, Glen Hill, Limpia Britto
10.00am	Malia & Savelina Tuipulotu, Malia Fuga, Kilika Leavasa, Kalala Soalo, Melanie & Stan Duarte

Anniversaries for the coming week 16th-22nd September

16. Dorothy Eileen Daniels (1983), Mary Eileen Brown (2011), Manuel Kaitan Britto (1975)
17. Theresa Josephine Samuels (1992), Malia Baby Ropati Fido (2014)
18. Daniel Ainuu (1988), Selina Adele Wells (1993), Brendan Schollum (2014)
19. Jozef Jagocha (1991), Joseph Sidney Loomb (1993)
20. Amanda Vujcich (1981), Reginald Allan Trainer (1991), Kathleen Frances Otter (2010)
21. Claude Allan McCabe (1978), Maureen Hamilton Wall (1988), Christine Margaret O'Brien (1999), Ellen Lynch-Keogh (2006)
22. Ernest Philip Begbie (1980), Francis Ward Roughton (1982)

**Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00
Collections: \$1937.90 St Pat's \$60.00**

Readings for Next Week (22/09/19)

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

1st Reading: Amos. 8: 4-7

Psalm: 113

2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 2: 1-8

Gospel: Luke 16: 1-13

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

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