

PARISH NOTICES

1. **Liturgy Committee** meeting Tuesday 10th March 7.30pm in the Meeting Room.
2. **Anointing Mass for the Sick** Friday the 13th at 10am, followed by cuppa tea in Hall.
3. **Pastoral Leadership and Development Conference. Hosted by Liturgy Centre.** Saturday 14th March 9.30am - 2pm at our Parish Hall. A great opportunity for all our EOM, Readers, Committee & Community leaders to attend as this will be our preparation leading up to the Easter Sacraments. More details on our noticeboard.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

1. **Mercy Spirituality Centre** @ 104 The Drive, Epsom. Ph. 638 6238 or info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz **"Can we find God in the dark?"** with Fr KEVIN WALDIE sm. Wed 11 Mar, 7-9pm. \$15.
LENT SERIES: Journey of the Cross with CATHRYN WILES-PICKARD rsm & ANNE WARREN chf. Friday's 10.30am-12.30pm, 13 Mar-3 Apr. \$15 each or all 4 sessions for \$50.
Ignatian Contemplation for LENT: Encounter with Jesus At Bethany where Mary anoints him with LAETITIA PUTHENPADATH. Sat 14 Mar, 1.45-4pm. \$20.
Kanohi ki te kanohi, Face to face: The meaning of "Presence" in Te Ao Māori, the Māori World with RICHARD KERR-BELL. Wed 18 Mar, 10.30am-12.30pm. Koha/Donation.
See our website for more details. Bookings essential, email: info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz to register.
2. **Candlelight Vigil praying for healing, mercy, and life.** Join us for a peaceful prayer vigil on Sunday 15 March at 7:30pm outside the local abortion centre, AMAC. This is a meaningful way to pray for an end to abortion, remember those who have died, those who have been wounded by abortion, and to be a sign of hope. The vigil is part of the 40 Days for Life prayer effort. All welcome. For more information phone Michelle 027 526 1199 or visit fli.org.nz/40daysforlife
3. **Social Justice Retreat:** 9.30am-4pm Saturday 14 March 2020 Vaughan Park Long Bay led by Rangī Davis. Theme: Hohouronga: A path to renewal. \$20 including lunch. Remaining places are limited so please contact Peter Garrick peterg@cda.org.nz phone 022 1300 730 asap so as to secure your place.
4. DRCNZ – Lenten Retreat in Auckland
Divine Retreat Centre New Zealand (DRCNZ) an Apostolate of the Roman Catholic Bishop of Auckland is organizing a Lenten Retreat led by Fr Michael Payyapilly VC from DRC, Potta now based in Melbourne Australia for 2 evenings, Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th March – 7 to 9.00p.m. at Christ the King Church, 260 Richardson Road, Owairaka, Auckland. Please spread the word around.
No registration required. For further details please contact: Website: www.drcnewzealand.org Facebook: Divine Retreat Centre New Zealand.
5. **Ignatian Spirituality for Women.** An 8-day silent, individually guided retreat, given by Adriana Janus, Nicola McCarthy and Joy Cowley. 20-29 March 2020 at the Magnificat Retreat Centre, Featherston. Cost: \$675, includes accommodation for 9 nights, all meals and daily spiritual direction. For further information and registration please contact Joy Cowley, joycowley@xtra.co.nz. (see poster ATTACHED). **Land pilgrimage:** A few places are still available for a 21-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land to be led by Pat and Suzie McCarthy from April 24 to May 14, 2020. The itinerary includes all major holy places in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth and around the Sea of Galilee, plus Mount Carmel, Acre and the Dead Sea. Cost around \$8500. Contact Pat at patsuzie@slingshot.co.nz or on 480-4463.

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Parish Priests:

Fr. Talipope Tuala Vaifale mf
Fr. Vijay Kumar Pallem mf
Rev Deacon Consedine Fuiava Toleafoa
Presbytery: 97 Galway St. Onehunga

Ph: 09 636 4647

Parish Office: Ph: 09 320 4558

Parish Secretary: Therese Ulberg

Email: assumptiononehunga@xtra.co.nz

Website: www.onehungacatholic.org.nz



**“THIS IS MY
BELOVED SON,
HEAR
HIM.”**

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A 8TH MARCH 2020

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 prayer meetings:	Every 1st, 3rd & 4th Mondays at 12noon-2.00pm
The Legion of Mary prayer meeting:	Every Wednesday from 7.35pm-9.00pm (Pavilion)

Reflection

OASES ON THE JOURNEY. As followers of Jesus, we have nowhere to pitch our tents. We must journey with Jesus through the hardships of life to glory. There will be oases along the way - moments of consolation which reveal the presence of God among us. We cannot remain in these moments for ever, but they give us refreshment. Remembering them will sustain us on our pilgrim way.

Just as we always hear the story of Jesus' testing on the first Sunday of Lent, so we always hear of his transfiguration on the second. One way of interpreting this choice is to see the story of the transfiguration as a source of encouragement for us on our Lenten journey. If we are disheartened by the challenge of last Sunday's gospel, then we might be reassured by the vision of Jesus' glory in today's.

Appealing as this is, the story makes it clear that we can't escape into an imaginary paradise as Peter was tempted to do. That's the point: Jesus must come down from the mountain and continue on his way. This is the choice he makes. He faces up to the fate that awaits him in Jerusalem.

What about us? Will we continue to follow him all the way to Calvary and beyond?

Readings for The Second Sunday of Lent 8th March 2020

First reading: A reading from the book of Genesis. 12:1-4
The calling of Abraham, father of the people of God,

Responsorial Psalm: 33.

The word of the Lord is upright,
 and all his work is done in faithfulness.
 He loves righteousness and justice;
 the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him,
 on those who hope in his steadfast love,
 to deliver their soul from death,
 and to keep them alive in famine.

Our soul waits for the Lord;
 he is our help and shield.
 Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,
 even as we hope in you.

Second reading: A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy. 1:8-10
God has saved us, and called us to be holy!

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
 this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel:

A reading from the holy Gospel
 according to Matthew: 17:1-9
Jesus' face shone like the sun!



Readers for this week: Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th March 2020

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	James Williams	1. Pauline Calvert 2. Assumption Ilalio	Tatupu Vaalepu Veronica Hagar
8.30am	Glen Hill	1. Lily Ulberg 2. Savelina Mahoni	Su'a Tagaloo Cheryl Peters
10.00am	St Joseph's School	1. St Joseph's School 2. St Joseph's School	

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week: Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th March 2020

6.00pm	David Hagar, Tony Atonio
8.30am	Imeleta Kelemete, Paul Lovett
10.00am	Malia Fuga, Elaine Williams

Readers for next Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th March 2020

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Lois Armiger	1. Bro Kieran 2. Veronica Hagar	Therese Ulberg Pauline Calvert
8.30am	Fiesola Pifeleti	1. Pat Doherty 2. Paul Lovett	Glen Hill Lily Ulberg
10.00am	Su'a Tagaloo	1. James Williams 2. Selesitina Taamale	Peta Sefo Litita Sefo

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for next Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th March 2020

6.00pm	Assumption Ilalio, Heloyis Titus
8.30am	Limpia Britto, Tony Atonio
10.00am	Stan & Melanie Duarte

Anniversaries for the coming week 9th to 15th March

9. Stanley Gorden Cameron (1979), Edward Robert Dooley (1980), Frances Josephine Davey (1983), Ngatira Julie Graham (1999)
10. George Sharrock (1978), Robert Daniel Bishop (1982), Kathleen Morgan (2002)
11. Edward Henry Clune (1989), Carolyn Donna O'Shea (2011)
12. Joseph Hector Sharrock (1975), Blanche Bernice Tait (1981), Harry D'Santos (1971).
13. Edna Latu (2005), Lesieli Fotuaiko (2011), Rosa Metzler (2009)
14. Edith Rose McCurd (1986)
15. Margaret King (1980), Mary Elizabeth Casey (2004)

Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00
Last week's collection was \$2024.10

Readings for Next Week (15/03/20)

Third Sunday of Lent Year A

1st Reading: Exodus. 17:1-7
 Psalm 95
 2nd Reading: Romans. 5: 1-2,5-8
 Gospel: John. 4: 5-42,

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@xtra.co.nz
Phone: 320 4558 (Parish Office) 0210685181
 Monday—Friday, 9:00am to 3:00pm
PARISH A/C ONEHUNGA: BNZ 020100-0120974-20