

**ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND – 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time
21 & 22 September 2024 – 3rd Saturday and 4th Sunday of the Month**

	SATURDAY 5.30PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 10.00AM	SUNDAY 5.30PM
LEADER	SONIA JACKSON	ROSETTA JOHANSSON	TUALA MAUGA	EMMARIAH SAUMALU
READERS	PATRICIA & JIM GRIBBLE	SEBASTIAN & CHRISTOPHER ATONIO	MARIA MAUGA & GORETTI MEREDITH	KEIAHO & ALANI LEIHEUILA
MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	G PEARSON P ALI R YEE	J LATU L MATAIA J PAUL	J PADORA L MANUTOIFO V FAUEA V WAIRASI SR JOAN FERRIS	P THOMAS C ABADINGO W WULF
MUSICIANS	PARISH CHOIR	PARISH CHOIR	SAMOAN COMMUNITY	SR GEMMA
FIRST AID	TIA & TEAM	TIA & TEAM	TIA & TEAM	TIA & TEAM
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COLLECTION COUNTERS	15 SEPTEMBER 2024 GORETTI MEREDITH & LISA AMOA		22 SEPTEMBER 2024 JULIE PAUL & PAT DE ZOETE	
FLORISTS	14 SEPTEMBER 2024 DIVINE MERCY GROUP		21 SEPTEMBER 2024 TONGAN COMMUNITY	
LAWNS	JIMS MOWING			
GROUNDS:	SEPTEMBER Tongan Community			

Collection last week. PLEDGES \$2610.20 LOOSE CASH: \$2166.50 TOTAL \$4776.70
THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR FAITHFUL GENEROSITY.

If you would like to contribute to the parish on internet banking this is the parish bank account.
Holy Cross Papatoetoe – Parish Account 02 – 0108- 0708852 – 00
PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR NAME AND PLEDGE NUMBER SO WE CAN ISSUE A RECEIPT.

**You are invited to bring a donation of non-perishable food to Mass to support the work of the
FOODBANK.**

Particularly helpful are: Spaghetti, Sugar, Tea, Coffee, Milo, Flour, Salt
, Can of soup,

Rice & Pasta, Cans of Tuna, Noodles, Jam/Peanut Butter etc
If you need some food assistance please txt or email your address to
Ruth Peterson ruth.peterson@xtra.co.nz or mobile: 0274046818 or
contact Pat in the Parish Office - Privacy assured.

**PLEDGE ENVELOPES AND TAX RECEIPTS ARE AVAILABLE
IN THE PARISH OFFICE**

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15 September 2024 - Year B - 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

PARISH PRIEST : Father Anthony Tran

ASSISTANT PRIEST: Father Thomas Park

READINGS THIS SUNDAY

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9

Psalm 116

I love the Lord because he has heard
my voice and supplications.

Because he inclined his ear to me,

Therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me;

The pangs of Sheol laid hold of me; I suffered distress and anguish.

Then I called on the name of the Lord; "O Lord, I pray, save my life!"

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful. The Lord protects the simple;

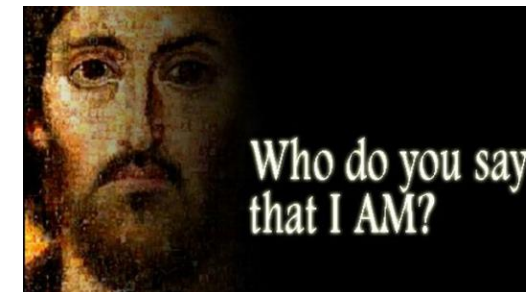
When I was brought low, he saved me.

For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

2ND Reading: James 2:14 – 18

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35



Please pray for those who are unwell, recovering from surgery, or in need of our prayers:

Fa'atauva'a Palea, Tia Titi, Falefia Tia, Isaako Tia Tila, Palatoni Fa'ukafa , Athena Marie Parakoti, Jason Simmons, Julie Antonio, Janice Williams, Lilieta Soafa, Sailoka Emelio, Christine and Paul Atkinson, Lafaele Silafai,

Recent deaths:

Anniversaries : Kathleen Nyssen

Sunday Mass intentions:

5.30pm: Saturday :

8.00am: Sunday: Kathleen Nyssen

10.00am: Sunday:

5.30pm: Sunday:

SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE : Saturday Vigil 5.30pm Sunday 8.00am, 10.00am, 5.30pm

Weekday Mass Timetable: Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri, Sat: 9.00am Wednesday :12noon

RECONCILIATION: (Confession) Wednesday (before midday Mass) 11.15am – 11.45am Friday and Saturday after 9.00am morning Mass - (or by appointment with the priests)

PASTOR'S PEN

Dear Parishioners,

In this Sunday's gospel, Jesus asks his friends what people are saying about him. The answers are predictable: "Many people think you are a hero of Jewish history, returning in their hour of need." The gospel shows Jesus provoking a personal answer from those about him. After some serious discussion with them about the various ways in which people were viewing him, we can imagine him looking into the eyes of the disciples, and putting the big question to them: "But you, after being with me all this while, and seeing my works and hearing my words, who exactly do you say I am?" This question surprised them. It caught them off guard—and at a loss to answer.

Today, we can imagine Jesus looking into our eyes with that same piercing look, and asking a similar question: "But you, after all t

hese years as a faithful Catholic in prayer, in communion, and being engaged in all kinds of church and social causes on my behalf, who do you say that I am?"

How would we reply? What would be our most honest answers sound like? It is not unlikely that we would fumble in expressing exactly what we wanted to say—as was the case with the disciples. Yet a rigorously honest answer on our part is very important. The way we respond has profound implications for the way we live. The question Jesus asks probes the heart, just as the answer we might give arises out of our deepest experience of life, love, death and suffering.

To know Jesus is a lifelong task of searching and personal discovery. Peter took a whole lifetime to know and understand him. It ended with his crucifixion in Rome. Jesus will never fail to surprise us in revealing his presence in our lives. Yet to know Jesus intimately is ultimately a most precious gift of grace from God. It is a gift that God never fails to give to those who ask.

Have a blessed week!

Father Anthony Tran

Do you want to know more about the Catholic church, or would you like to become a Catholic? On Sunday September 29th we will begin the first of a series of sessions for anyone who is 14 or over, to prepare for being received into the Church at Easter. These sessions will take place in the little side chapel in Holy Cross church straight after the 10.00am Mass. (11.00am till 12.00 midday)

The Catholic Diocese of Auckland promotes strong and inclusive communities for missionary discipleship. Come to the **Ethnic Chaplaincies Rise Up and Shine Festival to be held on Saturday 21 September to Sunday 22 September** | at the **Malaeola Samoan Catholic Community Centre** | 16 Waokauri Place, Mangere | A time of celebration with Food, Music, and Cultural Shows on Saturday 9am - 3pm, and Thanksgiving Mass in the various languages and cultures on Sunday at 1pm

Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship are hosting a One-day Men's Retreat, directed by Bishop Steve Lowe, titled "He Emptied Himself" (Philippians 2:7). Saturday 19 October (8am-4pm) at St Thomas More Church, 336 Wairau Rd, Glenfield, Auckland. Please bring a packed lunch or plan to buy from shops nearby. Suggested Koha of \$20. All men are welcome. For more information Contact Greg Sullivan (021) 437747 or Russell Sobotker (022) 0345678

St Mary's College Past Pupils Association Sunday 22nd September 2024. Mass will be celebrated by Fr Peter Tipene in Old SMC Chapel, New St, Ponsonby at 2pm. Followed by afternoon tea and AGM. Please RSVP to cathieharrop@gmail.com

NZ Catholic Medical Association Networking Event with Dr Mary English on 20 September 5.00pm. A unique opportunity to connect with each other, learn and be inspired. At Mayne Wetherell, Bayleys House, Level 5, 30 Gaunt Street, Auckland CBD – Poster on the noticeboard

"Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is accepting enrolments for first semester 2025 from 23rd September to 22nd November 2024. Courses offered are Bachelor of Divinity, Graduate Diploma in Theology, Diploma and Certificate in Christian Studies, and a new microcredential on Managing Church Organisations."

Female Flatmate to share a 3 bedroom home with 2 other mature Filipinas in Papatoetoe. \$200 per week + utilities. Bond \$200. Contact Leticia 021011307182 or Ada 021 0274 1623

The BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE is held on the last Thursday of the month Feb – Nov at 7.00pm in the Church, and is for Catholic Parent/s wishing to have their children under 7 years of age, baptised into the Catholic Faith. Enrolment forms are available in the Parish Office or can be completed during the course. The next **baptism preparation course** will be **Thursday 26 SEPTEMBER 2024 at 7pm in the Church. Baptisms are usually held at 11.00am on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month.**