

**ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND – 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME  
8<sup>TH</sup> & 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2025 – 2<sup>ND</sup> Saturday and 2<sup>ND</sup> Sunday**

	<b>SATURDAY 5.30PM</b>	<b>SUNDAY 8.00AM</b>	<b>SUNDAY 10.00AM</b>	<b>SUNDAY 5.30PM</b>
<b>LEADER</b>	RUTH PETERSON	LILI FAOA	PARISH YOUTH	ARLYN URQUIOLA
<b>READERS</b>	AIDAN ADAMS ZABRINA VILLAMOR	SEBASTIAN & CHRISTOPHER ATONIO	PARISH YOUTH	CHICHI ABADINGO NIMFA MARAVILLA
<b>MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION</b>	<b>R SEKO</b> G PEARSON B CHOI	<b>P ALI</b> L ATONIO F PATAU	<b>E MOASIL-MATI</b> N MOA SILI T RAMSAY S TUALA T M CHADWICK	<b>R MONTECILLO</b> S STOWERS K STOWERS
<b>MUSICIANS</b>	SR GEMMA	ALL SORTS GP	ALL SORTS GP	FILIPINO COMMUNITY
<b>FIRST AID</b>	TIA & TEAM	TIA & TEAM	TIA & TEAM	TIA & TEAM
<b>WARDENS</b>	TIA & TEAM	TIA & TEAM	TIA & TEAM	TIA & TEAM
<b>COLLECTION COUNTERS</b>	2 FEBRUARY 2025 P PETELO & F PATAU		9 FEBRUARY 2025 JIM GRIBBLE & RUTH PETERSON	
<b>FLORISTS</b>	1 FEBRUARY 2025 MAFUTAGA TINA EKALEZIA SAMOA		8 FEBRUARY 2025 KARAMELI & TIA	
<b>LAWNS GROUNDS:</b>	<b>JIMS MOWING</b> February - <b>LEGION OF MARY</b>			
Collection last week. PLEDGES \$2386.00 LOOSE CASH: \$2301.10 TOTAL \$4687.10 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR FAITHFUL GENEROSITY. This the parish bank account: . Holy Cross Papatoetoe – Parish Account <b>02 – 0108- 0708852 – 00</b> <b>PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR NAME AND PLEDGE NUMBER SO WE CAN ISSUE A RECEIPT.</b>				

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](mailto:ruth.peterson@xtra.co.nz) or mobile: 0274046818 or contact Pat in the Parish Office - Privacy assured.

**Thank you to all those who contribute to the Foodbank -  
YOUR KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY  
ARE DEEPLY APPRECIATED.**

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**2 FEBRUARY 2025 - Year C - FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION**

*PARISH PRIEST : Father Anthony Tran*

*ASSISTANT PRIEST: Father Thomas Park*

**READINGS THIS SUNDAY**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Malachi 3:1-4

**Psalm 24**

Lift up your heads O gates!  
And be lifted up O ancient doors!  
That the King of glory may come in.  
Who is the king of glory?  
The Lord strong and mighty,  
The Lord mighty in battle.  
Lift up your heads, O gates  
and be lifted up O ancient doors  
That the king of glory may come in.  
Who is this King of glory?  
The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Hebrews 2:10-11, 13-18

**Gospel:** Luke 2:22-40



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

Audrey Hauraki, Phillip & Colin Mulligan, Sheryl Willis, Fa'atauva'a Palea, Lilieta Soafa, Sailoka Emeloi, Fr Pauli Ta'ai

**Recent deaths:**

**Anniversaries**

**Sunday Mass intentions:**

**5.30pm: Saturday**

**8.00am: Sunday:**

**10.00am: Sunday:** - 9<sup>TH</sup> Birthday Jeanell Nica Dsouza

**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)** Frid and Sat after 9.00am Mass. Wed 11.15am - 11.45am

## PASTOR'S PEN

Dear Parishioners,

The theme of the Holy Year is "Pilgrims of Hope." The papal bull, issued May 9, that introduced the coming Jubilee Year is titled "Spes Non Confundit," or "Hope does not disappoint," drawn from Romans 5:5. "Everyone knows what it is to hope," Pope Francis wrote. "In the heart of each person, hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, despite our not knowing what the future may bring. "Even so, uncertainty about the future may at times give rise to conflicting feelings, ranging from confident trust to apprehensiveness, from serenity to anxiety, from firm conviction to hesitation and doubt," he continued. "Often we come across people who are discouraged, pessimistic and cynical about the future, as if nothing could possibly bring them happiness. For all of us, may the Jubilee be an opportunity to be renewed in hope. God's word helps us find reasons for that hope." Pope Francis also hopes the year draws Catholics toward patience, which he described in "Spes Non Confundit" as a "virtue closely linked to hope," yet can feel elusive in "our fast-paced world, we are used to wanting everything now."

The year calls Christians to action. Pope Francis called for "signs of hope" in the Jubilee Year, including the desire for peace in the world, openness to life and responsible parenthood, and closeness to prisoners, the poor, the sick, the young, the elderly, migrants and people "in difficult situations." Pope Francis has called on affluent countries to forgive the debts of countries that would never be able to repay them, and address "ecological debt," which he described as "connected to commercial imbalances with effects on the environment and the disproportionate use of natural resources by certain countries over long periods of time."

The Jubilee Year concludes with the closing of the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica Jan. 6, 2026, on the feast of the Epiphany. However, the Holy Doors at Rome's other major basilicas will close Dec. 28, 2025, the same day dioceses are to end local celebrations of the Holy Year.

Blessings as we journey together this year as Pilgrims of Hope.

Father Anthony Tran

## To all Parents and Guardians of children who would like to receive the Sacraments of Initiation; Reconciliation, Confirmation and Communion in 2025.

To enrol, please provide the following information:

1. Complete the Children's Sacramental Program Enrolment form
2. Your child's baptismal certificate

**Parents meeting will be on the 18th of February 2025 @ 6.30 pm at the church** For further information please contact Anaetasia Wulf @ 0223221419 or Pat at the office.

**HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPENS ON MONDAY 3 FEBRUARY AT 8.45AM.** Please ensure your children are back on time, as we have a large number of children on our waiting list who are wanting places for the 2025 school year. School will be closed on Thursday 6 February for Waitangi Day and on Friday 7 February for an Accord Day on the new Mathematics Curriculum.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION SEMINAR,** for catholic parents who wish to have their children up to 7 years old baptised – Thursday 27 February at 7.00pm in the Church.

**PREFERENCE FOR ENROLMENT IN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.** There are new requirements for **5.4 enrolment certificates** which can no longer be signed off in the Parish. They will now be authorised by the Vicar General of the Diocese of Auckland. Forms are available at the Parish Office.

## **Hou Mana Wai Mercy Wellsprings (104 The Drive, Epsom) - February Programmes**

Introduction to Christian Meditation

Monday & Thursday Weekly Meditation

Spiritual Direction & Dreams

Further information see Flyer on Parish Notice Board or take home a printed copy from the Church Porch. For more information <https://mercywellsprings.org.nz> or contact [cathryn@mercywellsprings.org.nz](mailto:cathryn@mercywellsprings.org.nz) 021 187 6986

*Welcome back to Holy Cross Catholic School to all our teachers, students and their families. We hope you have had a refreshing break and we wish you every blessing for 2025.*