

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND – 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

15 & 16 March 2025 – 2ND Saturday and 2ND Sunday

	<u>SATURDAY</u> 5.30PM	<u>SUNDAY</u> 8.00AM	<u>SUNDAY</u> 10.00AM	<u>SUNDAY</u> 5.30PM
LEADER	RUTH PETERSON	ALENA PITOLUA	TUALA MAUGA	LIMA PAILATE
READERS	AIDAN ADAMS SONIA JACKSON	EDMUND ALDISS ANASTASIA WULF	MARIA MAUGA HOLI LOLOHEA	DIVINYA & PRINCYA KARUMALIL
MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	K SKIPPER M ANCLA G PEARSON	S LEVI SR M FETULI M VIIGA-PAONGO	T WULF M LAUPOLA L NUU S VAOTUUA G MEREDITH	A BIDESI C ABADINGO J FERNANDES
MUSICIANS	SR FRANCINE	SR GEMMA	VAOTUUA FAMILY	JULIE B
ALTAR SERVERS	Refer to co-ordinators			
WARDENS & FIRST AID	TIA & TEAM	TIA & TEAM	TIA & TEAM	TIA & TEAM
COLLECTION COUNTERS	9 MARCH 2025 JULIE PAUL & PAT DE ZOETE		16 MARCH 2025 P PETELO & F PATAU	
FLORISTS	NO FLOWERS IN LENT		NO FLOWERS IN LENT	
LAWNS	JIMS MOWING			
GROUNDS: March - Samoan Community				
Collection last week. PLEDGES \$2653.50 LOOSE CASH: \$3066.10 TOTAL \$5719.60 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR FAITHFUL GENEROSITY. This the parish bank account: . Holy Cross Papatoteoe – Parish Account 02 – 0108- 0708852 – 00 PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR NAME AND PLEDGE NUMBER SO WE CAN ISSUE A RECEIPT.				
<p>You are invited to bring a donation of non-perishable food to Mass to support the work of the FOODBANK.</p> <p>Particularly helpful are: Spaghetti, Sugar, Tea, Coffee, Milo, Flour, Salt, Can of soup, Rice & Pasta, Cans of Tuna, Noodles, Jam/Peanut Butter etc</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Thank you to all those who contribute to the Foodbank - YOUR KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY ARE DEEPLY APPRECIATED.</p>				

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8 March 2025 - Year C - 1st Sunday of Lent

PARISH PRIEST : *Father Anthony Tran*

ASSISTANT PRIEST: *Father Thomas Park - Thomasparknz@gmail.com*

READINGS THIS SUNDAY

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Psalm 91

You who live in the shelter of the Most High
Who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
Will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress;
My God, in whom I trust."

No evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.

For he will command His angels concerning you

To guard you in all your ways.

On their hands, they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot. The one who loves me, I will deliver; I will protect the one who knows my name.

When he calls to me I will answer him;

I will be with him in trouble, I will rescue him and honour him.

2nd Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13



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

Pope Francis, Tui Kula (Tahifute), Audrey Hauraki, Colin Mulligan, Sheryl Willis, Fa'atauva'a Palea, Lilieta Soafa, Sailoka Emeloi, Fr Pauli Ta'ai

Recent deaths: Celia Quiambao

Anniversaries

Sunday Mass intentions: **5.30pm: Saturday**

8.00am: Sunday:

10.00am: Sunday: Birthday Angelo Leston 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,

As our Lord was led into the wilderness, so the church enters the holy season of Lent, to learn again to "worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone".

Jesus' responses to the devil's three temptations in the Gospel this Sunday in effect give us Jesus' own statement of faith. He rejects the lure of materialism, the danger of thinking that all that is important to the human person is to feed the body, to look for happiness and fulfilment in the material things of life. Man and woman need more than that to be whole. Jesus also resists the attractions of power, fame, glory, popularity, wealth. These are idols, false gods that demand our souls but cannot save. God alone is worthy of our worship. And finally, perhaps the greatest temptation, Jesus refuses to doubt God, to put God to the test. This is the refusal to presume on God's mercy, or to try to manipulate God or seek to make God act according to my plans, my timetable, my agenda.

What about us? What are our statements of belief? Each Sunday we recite our creed at Mass. We profess with our lips what we hold dear in our hearts: that God is the loving Father of us all; that Jesus is the Son of God, our Lord, who died and rose again so that we might have life; that God's Holy Spirit is at work in us, inspiring us to live as the holy people of God in service of the world. Do our lives reflect our faith that through all our wanderings, God is leading us from slavery to freedom, from brokenness to wholeness, from death to life?

Lenten blessings,

Father Anthony Tran

STATIONS OF THE CROSS led by various parish groups will take place in the church **each Friday during Lent at 7.00pm**. There is a roster of leader groups on the noticeboard in the church porch

BAPTISM PREPARATION SEMINAR, for catholic parents who wish to have their children up to 7 years old baptised – Wednesday 26 March at 7.00pm in the Church. Baptisms are usually held on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month at 11.00am (Seminar is Wednesday NOT Thursday in March)

FAASILASILAGA – EKALEZIA SAMOA HOLY CROSS PAPATOETOE – SAMOAN COMMUNITY E faasilasila atu ma le faaaloalo o le a usua le fonotaga muamua a le Ekalesia Samoa a la tatou Palisi nei, i le Aso Toonai 8 Mati, i le itula e 2pm i le Hall a le tatou Palisi. Matou te talia ma le fiafia ni aiga e fia ulufale mai i le mafutaga. Mo nisi faamatalaga faafesootai – Matauitaua F Mo'a Sili Telefoni: 09 279 4833. Faafetai

USHERS and WARDENS NEEDED! Are you willing to serve in this important ministry? There will be a meeting for current and new members on Wednesday, 19th of March at 6:00pm in the church. It is important that you attend this meeting. For further details, please contact Tia Ramsay 02108234893 or Isabelle 021578718. Thank you.

The hospitality committee is grateful to everyone who contributed and helped out at the car boot sale, carwash, and food sale, making it a successful event. Congratulations and our thanks to the committee for raising \$1440 for the parish. A great effort!

CALLING ALL AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY STUDENTS! There is a large, vibrant, Catholic student community in the Auckland CBD. Join us this year! To find out more please contact Daniel Story at dans@cda.org.nz and/or check out our socials. Search "aucklandcatholicchaplancy"

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat offers a beautiful opportunity for healing to anyone who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion. The next Retreat will be held at Mary McKillop Centre, April 11-13, 2025. For more information Contact Wendy Hill on 027 2549222 or email wendy@rachelvineyard.org.nz

DE LA SALLE COLLEGE COMMUNITY FONO - Have your input into the future of the College. When: Thursday March 13th - Where: In the De La Salle College MPC Times: 5.30pm light refreshments available - 6pm Fono starts