

# Parish of St Francis & St Therese

Reverend Father John Webb – Parish Priest

**Mass Times:**

Monday 10am Selwyn Chapel  
Tuesday & Friday 9:15am; Wednesday 12pm  
Saturday 5:30pm; Sundays 9am

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays at 5pm or by appointment

**15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

**Today's Readings:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Isaiah 55:10-11 **Psalm:** 64

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Romans 8:18-23

**Gospel:** Matthew 13:1-23



Those looking in the scriptures for a clear exposition of doctrine or a systematic moral code are doomed to disappoint. Such an enterprise is bound to be continually subverted by the variety of traditions, points of view, and forms of literature in the Bible. Subversion in fact is the name of the game when Jesus teaches in parables. These are short stories whose aim is to surprise. They appear to be a favourite teaching tool of Jesus. He engages his listeners' attention with a story that is generally about familiar things such as farming practice or managing a household. But there is a twist along the way, usually at the end. Jesus uses this unexpected turn to undermine his hearers' conventional views about "the way things are". They are meant to provoke insight into another reality – the kingdom of heaven. Today we begin a series of three readings from the Parable Sermon to Matthew's gospel. First, we are reminded by the prophet Isaiah of the sure power of god's word to affect its purpose. Then Paul invites us to accept that we are caught up in an unfinished process of cosmic rebirth, but we and the whole of creation will ultimately be set free.

**Break Open the Word**

**NEW PARISH BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER**

**Our new Parish Bank Account number is 02-0108-0707331-000.**

If you currently have pledge donation automatic payments set up, you do not need to make any changes to your account details. Your existing automatic payment will continue to be processed as usual, and there will be no disruptions to your payment schedule. BNZ will update to reflect the new bank account number, and any existing automatic payments will be automatically routed to the new bank account number.

**However, if you have set up the parish as your payee,** please ensure that you update your payee record with the new bank account number. Any payment made to the old bank account number will be bounced back to your bank account within 5 working days.

Fr John's been very vocal about his beloved Springboks  
and of course, I had to rise to the challenge.

So, on Monday morning will I be doing –  
Parish work or washing windows haha?



**Pray For The Sick :** Robbie Rowe, Maureen Barbafera, Grant Vaughan, Ian Campbell, John Heynen, Vivien Luis, Lloyd Jones, Lawrence Mihaljevich, Terence Kayes, Marena Rowe (Hubbers), Ivan Mihaljevich, Lucia Perera, Raymond Gribble and Judy Collingwood.

**Pray for the Deceased:** Pray for all those who are recently deceased especially Fr Thomas Gerard Keyes and Fr Manus Lyons. Please pray also for all those whose Anniversaries occur around this time especially James Selvar.

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**Parish Account:** RC Bishop of Auckland (Pt Chev) BNZ Auckland 02-0108-0707331-000

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## Upcoming Readings

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

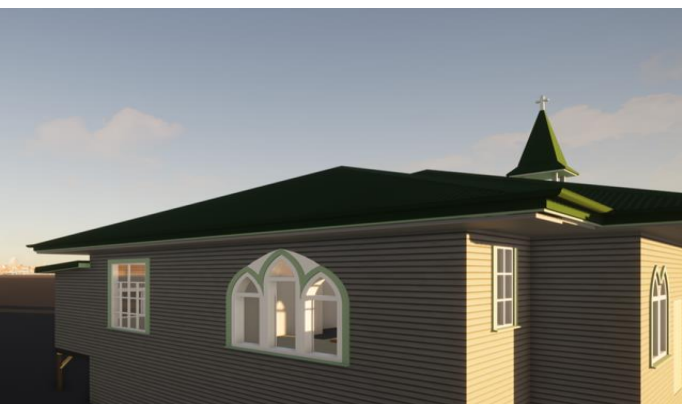
Psalms: 85

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 8:26=27

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30

## Next Baptism Preparation Class

5<sup>th</sup> August 2023 4pm – 5pm



## Church Life Survey

Everyone 15 years old and over (including any visitors to our Parish), will be asked to participate together in the 2023 Church Life Survey.

It's a nationwide survey of church attenders and a confidential opportunity for you to have your say on the life of our church! Come along to find out more.

Please participate in the Church Life Survey Our church is part of this nationwide survey of church attenders.

**Have your say on the life of our church and be heard by our leaders.** Can you take 10-15 minutes to fill it out?

You are welcome to complete the survey earlier, either online using this link

<https://clsnz.org/chis96Be2rIdawic/01H10EA7NM1AQ0MD8AYBSHRMWV/en-rc> or by scanning the QR code using your smartphone.

The survey is also available in the following languages simply click on the link below:

[English](#); [Māori](#); [Cebuano](#); [Chinese](#); [Fijian](#); [Korean](#); [Samoan](#); [Spanish](#); [Tagalog](#); [Tamil](#); [Tongan](#)

Or you can contact the Parish office for one to be printed for you in the language of your choice. Please encourage your family members over 15 years old to participate! =



The more surveys completed online, the faster our statistics will be available, the less paper we use, and it also means fewer manual data entry done by others. It is all completely confidential!

## PLEASE HELP US BY COMPLETING A SURVEY

### Parish Foodbank

A basket is kept at the back of the Church for any food donations. The food is then distributed to the needy as requested. Your generosity is always very much appreciated.

It's more often than not, the people who don't ask are the ones who need it the most.

If you or anyone you know, needs help please feel free to contact the Parish Office or speak to someone you trust to let us know.

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Any assistance is completely confidential.

## PROPOSED CHURCH RENOVATION

Planning for the Church renovation is well under way. The renovation will include new arched windows, a large window at the entrance and one behind the altar, a new ceiling, aircon, insulation, new carpet, structural strengthening, renovated Sacristy and bathroom, etc. We kindly ask for you to give generously towards this project via Tap'n'Go, Bank Transfer or Cash. We aim to have the renovation completed by the end of 2023.

## MINISTRY ROSTER June & July 2023

**SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5:30PM - PLEASE BE AT THE CHURCH AT LEAST 10 MINS PRIOR**

DATE	COMMENTATOR	1ST READER	2ND READER	COMMUNION	PROJECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS
15th July	Lai Peng Chiew	Mike Tolich	Hugh Finnemore	Laureen Simmonds	Jane Finnemore	Maxwell Smyth Erin & Liam Joyce
22nd July	Laureen Simmonds	Christine Smith	Chris Smith	Jane Finnemore	Joe Joseph	Jesse Wright Dominic Brown
29th July	Jo Joyce	Ceejay Rodrigues	Chrystal Rodrigues	MacLoid Rodrigues	Dom Hines	Jesse Wright Maxwell Smyth Erin & Liam Joyce

## MINISTRY ROSTER June & July 2023

**SUNDAY MORNING MASS 9AM - PLEASE BE AT THE CHURCH AT LEAST 10 MINS PRIOR**

DATE	COMMENTATOR	1ST READER	2ND READER	COMMUNION	PROJECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS
16th July	Ima Ah Tong	Emma Ibbetson	Geraldine Corray	Arpana Korshopati	Jen Chesbrough	Vincent & Charlie Smith
23rd July	Geraldine Corray	Helen Gilligan-Reid	David Schischka	Agnes Steffany	MDM Youth	Oscar Reid & Volunteer
30th July	Emma Ibbetson	Leisel Inglis	Eleanor Smith	Margaret Smallridge	Melinda Chuo	Lorenzo Chuo Vincent & Charlie Smith



# Ministries

Thank you to all our Ministers for serving so generously.  
Paula will contact the Children's Liturgy roster on Monday if anyone is interested  
in this Ministry please contact the Parish Office.

## Sacraments

**First Holy Communion Lessons** begin next Sunday  
23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 after 9am Mass.  
Masses are 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> August.

K D I S C I P L E S U S M S K D G B B W M F K O  
P V F T C C O M M U N I O N Q D I E W X I E Z P  
D T K N M H M Y J E C N A N E P G M K C X W L M  
O S E B N G U M I O E V O L I I R H D P C M B N  
G E B C N G B R M Q N J F R N C R T U H V S T O  
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K R L E E R M B P H S A I S I C P G O S P P Q T  
G P J Z M A G R L U Q N Y G U G W G K B N H M A  
G G N Y H R D H M E G A F P J S L E H L F Y W M  
R C F R K U W C A H S H Z B Q J K K W H R Y N R  
E A A E U T F E Z R H S Z T S I R A H C H U E E I  
C T M H W F I X K O X F E Q L D I Y S Z W Y I F  
O H I T N N H A L T I B G D Q V G R O V X P K N  
N O L A M K T Y X U V N O I T A I T I N I K B O  
C L Y G L M K H X T G D C G A Q K K C R Q T X C  
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L C T A N O I N T I N G O F T H E S I C K X D C  
I F D O R A V S T I T O H W U M A T R I M O N Y  
A S M B L I O P J X C Y I H C Q K X L N J N Q S  
T N P S N R U G H B J T H A P S U T E G V F Q S  
I F M T J G N U H P K K R R A D J S Z I U O Q T  
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N L L J C Q Z E J P T N E M A R C A S Z W L U K  
X H O L Y O R D E R S S T A B A P T I S M H W T

## Holy Eucharist Word Search

E	S	A	C	R	A	M	E	N	T
U	C	O	M	M	U	N	I	O	N
C	X	G	X	R	H	P	D	N	S
H	W	D	T	O	A	O	K	S	E
A	S	I	S	H	O	T	A	B	C
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I	S	V	B	E	Y	L	P	A	L
S	E	C	L	P	D	R	Y	N	A
T	J	M	Z	J	O	P	L	L	H
F	Q	T	P	Y	B	F	L	R	C



Jesus  
Body  
Blood  
Communion  
Eucharist  
Holy

Altar  
Mass  
Sacrament  
Chalice  
Host  
Wine

### KID CORNER

#### Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Fifteenth-SUNDAY-of-OT.pdf>

#### The Seed in the Mud

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/The-Seed-in-the-Mud.pdf>

beginning	initiation	bread	oil
Holy Spirit	priest	community	gather
love	faith	family	catholic
disciples	Jesus	blessed	church
Holy Orders	Matrimony	Anointing of the Sick	Reconciliation
Penance	Communion	Eucharist	Confirmation
Baptism	grace	sacrament	



## FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

**175 Campaign – reflecting on our past by supporting those in need!** As we reflect on the diocese's 175th Anniversary, please join Bishop Steve's 175 campaign through the Caring Foundation. By donating \$175 as a parish, a family, a group of friends, or individually, you will support families and people in need throughout our diocese. To donate, please pick up a donation card from your parish foyer or visit [www.caringfoundation.org.nz](http://www.caringfoundation.org.nz) to donate online or to find out other ways to donate.

**Wings.Ngā Parirau Faith Formation Programme** is happening in our Auckland Diocese from July to October. It's for all who want to grow in their faith. In particular, 'Wings' is for all who are involved with RCIA, Baptism and other Sacramental programmes, Children's Liturgy, Whanau. Come to the Diocesan Centre, 30 New St, Ponsonby, for three sessions: **Saturdays - 5th August, 7th October.** 10-3pm. Dates for Whangārei TBA. To register please contact Dianna Fouhy on [diannaf@cda.org.nz](mailto:diannaf@cda.org.nz), 0212612189. Light lunch will be provided.

**Theology of the Body for Teens** What is love? Where do I get my identity from? What is the purpose of my sexuality? How can I live in authentic freedom, grow in virtue and build healthy friendships? Dates : Weekend Course. **Saturday 22 July 2-6pm and Sunday 23 July 12-6pm** Age: 13-19 year olds. Venue: Hillsborough, Auckland. To register or for more information: [theologyofthebody.nz](http://theologyofthebody.nz) or email [tobauckland@gmail.com](mailto:tobauckland@gmail.com)

**World Youth Day Auckland.** Not every young person can get to Lisbon for World Youth Day 2023, but Sancta Maria College is much more accessible. WYD Auckland is happening **Sunday 6 August, 2pm – 8.30pm.** Let's come together as diocesan young people to celebrate WYD with inspiring speakers, powerful worship, Mass, Dinner (Bishop Steve is paying), reconciliation and adoration. Save the date and watch out for further details.

**Catholic Diocese of Auckland IT Systems Administrator/Technician** We are looking for an IT Systems Administrator/Technician to join our team. The role is responsible for first and second level support of the Diocese's IT systems, design, and implementation of solutions to meet our needs and assist our people using technology to deliver mission. The role may also assist with the creation of videos (filming and editing) to support our Diocesan ministries. The position is full time, with some flexibility around this. For full details and requirements please visit the Diocesan website <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/> vacancies. **Applications close 21 July 2023.**

**Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School 2024: Scholarship.** Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School 2024 has now sold out. We are excited to announce the opening of the inaugural Bishop Basil Meeking Hearts Aflame Scholarship! There are two scholarship spaces available for the 2024 School for any young adult aged 18 to 35 who wants to know more about their faith, have an authentic encounter with Christ, and meet other Catholic young adults from all over New Zealand. One of the scholarship places is reserved for a young adult involved in Catholic Education (teaching, teacher training or chaplaincy). The Scholarship covers the full registration fee for the 2024 School (\$645) Visit [heartsaflame.org.nz](http://heartsaflame.org.nz) to apply before August 15, 2023

**Healing of the Family tree with Fr Rory and ACCPGN.** Preparation on zoom 7.30-9pm on Tuesdays 1st and 8th August, followed by Mass on Saturday 12th August at Sacred Heart Church, Ponsonby at 10am. Registration compulsory at <https://forms.gle/WHQTdt3mvf2egRuUA> or on <https://catholiccharismatic.org.nz/>

Role vacancy: **Prison Chaplaincy Director** New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference Can you help us show the love of God inside the prison walls? Applications are invited for the position of Prison Chaplaincy Director for the New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference (NZCBC). The Prison Chaplaincy Director is a full-time national role, providing pastoral and professional leadership and support to the Catholic chaplains who provide chaplaincy services in New Zealand prisons. This is a critical role, leading an important national ministry of the Church. If you or someone you know has experience as a prison chaplain (or in other pastoral or chaplaincy roles) and team leadership experience combined with theology and pastoral qualifications, please visit [www.catholic.org.nz/news](http://www.catholic.org.nz/news) for more information.

### **Young Adults Ball 26th August 7pm at McHugh's of Cheltenham:**

Back by popular demand, we are excited to bring you The Young Adults Ball 2023! The theme for this year is 'Starry Night'. Here's your chance to put on your best formal attire for an unforgettable evening at McHugh's Of Cheltenham. Get ready to dance the night away with our live band, The Velvet Tones. Cocktail style canapes will be served throughout the night and your favourite drinks will be available at the bar (with one free drink included in your ticket!). Remember this magical evening by stopping by the photo wall where we will have a photographer ready to take some amazing shots of you and your group! Tickets \$110 (Sales close midnight 17th August). \*This is an 18+ event. Go to [facebook.com/AKCYM](https://facebook.com/AKCYM) for tickets.