

The following deaths and Anniversaries are about this time

- 26 Kevin William Beals
28 William James Pender (Brother Cyril)
29 Dale Ellen Collins
(Sister of Ann Cottle)
1 Elizabeth Wright
3 Colin Cottle
Lena Fraser
Rose McNaughton
John Leon McGuire
Cecilia Maria Ruiter,
(sister of John Van Der Gulik)
4 Benjamin McMahon
Annette Johnson
6 Edward Russell Gaines
(the first Bishop of Hamilton)
Basil Francis Olsen
Myrtle Ivy Tyson
Ellen Frances Adams
7 Martin Van Vught
8 Owen Cooney
Zelda Mary Vincent
Queen Elizabeth II 1926-2022

May God Grant them Eternal Rest

This Week in Liturgy, Sunday, cycle A, weekday cycle 1.

Monday, 28th of August: - St Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of Church

Tuesday, 29th of August: - The Passion of Saint John the Baptist, Martyr

Wednesday, 30th of August to Friday, 1st of September: - 21st week in Ordinary Time.

Saturday, 2nd of Sept: - The Blessed Virgin Mary

First Communion Class will be commencing very soon. Please give names to Clare:-
clarewilliams.cw@gmail.com

Your child or children will need to have Baptismal Certificates. If this is a problem, see

Fr Matthew.

Welcome to St. Andrew's Catholic Church

Sunday, 27th August 2023
21st in Ordinary time year A



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Mass Times:

Sat. Vigil 5.00 pm

Weekdays:

Wed & Fri 11.00 am

Reconciliation:

Sat 4.00-4.45 pm or
by appointment

**Anointing: First Friday
after 11am Mass and
First Saturday at 4.30pm**

Introduction:

The Key's of God's Kingdom

The church has been entrusted with the 'keys' of God's Kingdom so that it may show the door of salvation to all peoples. We pray for its missionary work of preaching the Good News of our loving and all-embracing Father.

Readings from Sacred Scripture:

First Reading

Isaiah 22:19-23

God will remove Shebna from his office as master of the palace.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalms 138:1-3,6,8

God's kindness is forever.

Second Reading

Romans 11:33-36

Paul sings praise to God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:13-20

Simon Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ and is given the key to the Kingdom of Heaven.

The Church Life Survey 2023 - St. Andrew's Parish, Tuakau has been extended to the end of August.

Have your say:

The 2023 Church Life Survey NZ is a nationwide survey of church attendees. It is an initiative of NZCBC supported by Bishop Steve. We invite all parishioners who are 15 years or over to participate in a 10 to 15 minute survey on demographics, church life, community, faith, and leadership.

Use the QR code opposite or collect a paper copy of the survey from the church.



Pastoral Visits: Father Mathew is happy to visit you and spend time with you over a cuppa. If you or you know someone who would appreciate a pastoral visit please contact him on 021 2090210 (preferably by text) or 09 2359633

Scripture note :-

Today's Gospel continues the story that began in last week's Gospel. Simon Peter was called the "rock" upon which Jesus would build his Church, and yet Peter continues to show the limitations of his understanding of Jesus' identity. Now that the disciples have acknowledged that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus confides in them the outcome of his ministry: he must suffer and die in Jerusalem to be raised on the third day. Peter rejects this prediction, and Jesus rebukes him severely, calling him "Satan." In opposing this aspect of Jesus' mission, Peter shows that he is no longer speaking based on the revelation from God but as a human being. Jesus then teaches all of the disciples about the difficult path of discipleship: to be Christ's disciple is to follow in his way of the cross.

Peter could not yet understand what it meant to call Jesus the Messiah. It is unlikely that the other disciples understood any better. Messianic expectations were a common aspect of first-century Judaism. Under Roman occupation, many in Israel hoped and prayed that God would send a Messiah to free the Jews from Roman oppression. The common view was that the Messiah would be a political figure, a king that would free Israel from Roman rule. This is perhaps what Peter envisioned when he was led to recognize Jesus as the Messiah. In this passage, however, Jesus is beginning to teach his disciples that he would be the Messiah in a different way.

Jesus would be more like the suffering servant described by the prophet Isaiah than the political liberator. Those who would be Jesus' disciples would be called to a similar life of service. Perhaps this is what Peter feared most in Jesus' prediction of his Passion. He whom Jesus had called "rock" would also be called upon to offer himself in sacrifice and service to others. Christian leaders today are still called to sacrifice and serve others as Jesus did.

Masterclass 16th September 3:30pm Auckland Catholic Ministries to Young People is excited to bring you our third Masterclass of 2023. Masterclass is a quarterly event dedicated to equipping, empowering and energising young leaders for ministry. Get ready for keynote speakers, workshops, praise and worship, adoration, and plenty of opportunities to network with other leaders. Plus free coffee and some fantastic kai!

Keep an eye on our socials as we announce our awesome workshop presenters! If you're a youth or young adult leader, you NEED to be at Masterclass. Due to venue space, registrations are limited, so don't miss out on this fantastic formation opportunity. We can't wait to have you join us! Go to @AKCYM on Facebook to register, or contact felicitym@cda.org.nz with any queries.

Unlock the Power of the Holy Spirit. Explore the Charisms of the Holy Spirit and unlock their power for blessing others and building church community. Speaker: Susilo Kentjana. Sept 9th, 9.30am - 3pm at Sacred Heart Church hall, Ponsonby. BYO lunch. All welcome. No charge but \$10 koha appreciated. Registration compulsory at <https://catholiccharismatic.org.nz/>

Invitation to all:

Holy Cross Seminary, Ponsonby would like to invite you to join in our celebration of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Bishop Michael Gielen will be presiding. Mass will be celebrated at 7pm on Monday, 11 September 2023 at Sacred Heart Parish, 16 Vermont Street, Ponsonby, Auckland. Light refreshments will be served at Holy Cross Seminary, 44 Vermont Street, Ponsonby, Auckland after Mass. Any Parishioners who wish to join us, are most welcome.

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL PUKEKOHE CENTENARY One Hundred Years of Catholic Education in Pukekohe! Celebrations taking place: September 8th & 9th, 2023.

Registrations are now open. Visit www.stjosephscentenary.co.nz or email: 100years@stjosephs.co.nz

Scripture Readings for Sunday, 2nd September, Twenty-Second in Ordinary Time year

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Commentator and prayers: Von Cassidy

Theme:- Your Love is Better than Life

First Reading (Sashini Mahe)

Jeremiah 20:7-9

Jeremiah laments but cannot fail to speak in God's name.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 63:2-6,8-9

Our souls yearn for God.

Second Reading (Nimmi Abraham)

Romans 12:1-2

Paul encourages the Romans to stay faithful to God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus speaks of his Passion and rebukes Peter for his objection of Heaven.

One-liner

"Hear about the new restaurant called Karma? There's no menu: You get what you deserve." *Reader's Digest*

Becoming a Catholic—RCA 2023 and 'Catholics Returning Home.'

Weekly classes will begin shortly leading to the celebration of the Sacrament of Initiation on Easter Vigil 2024.

Invite your family members or friends who would be interested in becoming a Catholic or anyone who left the Catholic community and wants to 'return home.'

Contact Fr Mathew:-
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Please email items for the newsletter or Memorial book to nimmibaksu@gmail.com or text to **0274308557**.— Nimmi

Synodality and Women | World Women's Observatory (worldwomensobservatory.org), is organizing 3 webinars focused on showing the results of the work carried out throughout the Synodal process with the experiences of women members at diocesan, national and continental level in all regions of the world, highlighting some of their testimonies and, at the same time, listening and enabling dialogue with women with leading roles at the synodal process. Both men and women are invited to participate, since all of us, as baptized persons, are equally involved in the synodal process. We count on you to spread this invitation among your contacts: The dates are:

- September 13th: 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM (Rome time) 4-5.30am NZ Time
- September 14th: 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM (Rome time) 7-8.30pm NZ Time
- September 14th: 2.30 PM to 4:00 PM (Rome time) 12.30-2.00am NZ Time

We will send the additional information and the ZOOM link later, save the date. To register interest please and receive the zoom link contact pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz

Counties Catholic Mens' Fellowship will next meet at St Anthony's, Waiuku on Wednesday 30 August, starting with Mass at 7pm. New members welcome. Contact Michael 021 1258814, Richard 029 5335370, or Tim 027 2436211

Social Justice Week begins on Sunday 3 September, with the focus on peace and responding to conflict. The National Liturgy Office has relevant information here: <https://nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/social-justice-week-3/> Substantial resources are available to download from Caritas Aotearoa NZ here: www.caritas.org.nz/parishes/social-justice-week

2023 marks 50 years since Sr Jean Sinclair's dream to provide for the needs of those with intellectual disabilities to learn about the Sacraments was implemented. **G.I.F.T** (Grow In Faith Together) is celebrating its Golden Jubilee. Bishop Steve and the GIFT family invite you to join in celebrating this important milestone. Sunday 17 September, 11 am Mass at Good Shepherd Parish, Telford Ave, Balmoral followed by a light lunch in the parish hall. RSVP by 11/09 to mylene@giftcentre.org.nz