

The following deaths and Anniversaries are about this time

- 28 John Griffen
Patricia Isobel Tyson
- 29 Leoni Engi
Ricardo Taland Sr
Stephen Hodson d1975 (son of Derek & Dorothy Hodson)
- 30 David Craig
- 31 Eric Laurence O'Brien
Eileen Comer
Bernard Joseph Adams
- 2 William Kelly
John Riley
George Washer
- 3 Aveen Dromgool (aunt of John Dromgool)
Mary McKean
Savelio Sapa'u (father of Flo Sapa'u)
- 4 Dominic Rogers
- 5 Tom Langton (father of Clare Williams)
- 6 John McKiernan
- 7 Richard Cuddihy
- 8 Hilary Murphy (father of Pat Murphy)
- 10 Barry Stewart 2022 (father of Hugh, Mary, Margaret, Helen, Carmel, Vincent & Clare.)
- 11 Jack Skinner (father of Jess Irwin)

May God Grant them Eternal Rest

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

Monday, 30th of Oct & Tuesday, 31st of Oct:- 30th week in Ordinary Time.

Wednesday, 1st of Nov:- All Saints

Thursday, 2nd of Nov:-The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

Friday 3rd of Nov:- Saint Martin de Porres, religious

Saturday, 4th of Nov:- Saint Charles Borromeo, bishop

You are warmly welcomed to join us for our final Auckland Divine Renovation event for the year. We will be watching the recorded session of **Revival and Renewal – Watch Party** This promises to be excellent with speakers including Fr James Mallon, Hannah Vaughan-Spruce and Bishop Andrew Cozzens. **6pm at 30 New St – Ponsonby Monday 4th November. Dinner provided.** Please register at Divinerenovation/events. For more information, please contact Cheryl Surry on Cheryl.surrey@divinerenovation.org or Stephenf@cda.org.nz

Welcome to St. Andrew's Catholic Church

Sunday, 29th October, 2023

30th in Ordinary time year A



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Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil, 5:00 pm
Wed & Fri, 11:00 am

Reconciliation:

Saturday: 4:00 to 4:45 pm or
by appointment

Anointing of the sick:

First Friday, during Mass at
11:00 am

Introduction:

Love your neighbour as yourself

God always has a special care for those who are particularly vulnerable: the bewildered stranger, the lonely widow or orphan, the sick and handicapped.

Jesus' rule is clear— treat others as we would treat ourselves. This is the crux of the Gospel.

Readings from Sacred Scripture:

First Reading:- Exodus 22:20-26

The Lord teaches that compassion ought to be shown to the alien and to the poor.

Responsorial Psalm:-Psalm 17:2-4,47,51

R/. I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second Reading:-1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

Paul tells the Thessalonians that their conversion to the Lord has been an example to all believers.

Gospel Acclamation:- John 14:23

Alleluia, Alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading:-Matthew 22:34-40

The Pharisees continue to test Jesus with a question about the greatest commandment.

Pilgrimage to Holy Rosary Church, Matakawau: We

are happy to invite parishioners and devotees of Our Blessed Mother in this month of the Holy Rosary to make a pilgrimage to Holy Rosary Church, Matakawau on **Sunday, 29 October. Rosary at 11:30 am and Mass at 12:00 pm.** Should any parish groups be interested in using the facility of the Church in this Jubilee Year of

Ecumenical Service 29th October: This will be lead by the Rev Bruce Howatt and be **at 9:30am** at St Stephen's, Madill St Tuakau. It will be followed by morning tea in the church lounge. Please do try and support this important ecumenical gathering.



This is the QR code for St Andrew's Catholic Church official Facebook page.

Scripture note :-

This week's Gospel follows close behind the Gospel read last Sunday. It is the last of three questions put to Jesus by Jewish religious leaders who are trying to trick him into saying something that might get him arrested. This reminds us that the context for today's reading is the mounting tension between Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem.

The Herodians and the Pharisees asked the first question, which was about taxes. The Sadducees asked the second question, which was about the Resurrection (see Matthew 22:22-33). The third question, considered in today's Gospel, is asked by a Pharisee who asks Jesus about the greatest of the commandments. The question requires Jesus to interpret the Law of Moses. The Mosaic Law consists of the Ten Commandments and many additional rules, numbering over six hundred. Adherence to the Mosaic Law, for a devout Jew, is an expression of faithfulness to God's covenant with Israel. The ranking of the Commandments was regularly debated among the teachers of the Law.

Jesus answers the Pharisees' question with a two-fold summary. Jesus says that all of the commandments can be summarized in two commandments: love God and love your neighbor. Both of these were central elements of the religious tradition Jesus learned from his Jewish community. Indeed these continue to be central aspects of contemporary Jewish religious understanding. Jesus' response to his questioners proposed an integral connection between these two aspects of the Jewish Law. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbor.

URGENT NEED: Is there anyone who would help with doing flowers in the church? Our faithful Collen is unable to continue doing the flowers due to illness. **Please phone May Potter for information on 09236823**

Catholic Diocese of Auckland positions available:

Are you a self-motivated relationship-builder who can be the driving force behind a new project? We're looking for someone who answers "Yes!" to become our full-time **University Ministry Coordinator** or a full-time Youth Ministry Officer. You'll be part of a tight-knit team implementing a bold new strategy for ministry to young people in the Diocese of Auckland.

Marriage and Family Life Administration Assistant We are seeking a methodical, cheerful, dedicated, and efficient person with a passion for marriage and family to share the work of marriage preparation. The role involves liaison with Marriage Educator couples and engaged couples, administration, preparation of course material, and some hosting at courses. This is a part time role of 16 hours per week, with occasional evening and weekend work.

Mt Eden Corrections Facility - Catholic Prison Chaplaincy We are seeking to employ a suitably qualified person to work as a member of Tira Tūhāhā Prison Chaplaincy Aotearoa Chaplaincy Team, which delivers Ecumenical Chaplaincy services to men in prison at the Mt Eden Corrections Facility. The position is a permanent part-time position of 32 hours per week – Monday to Thursday with the expectation of some Sundays per month for Sunday Services. **Applications close 17 November 2023.** To learn more about these positions, please visit: www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/

Safeguarding workshop at St. Patrick's Church, Pukekohe: The Catholic Diocese of Auckland is organizing two workshops on **Wednesday 8th November 2023.** The 1st begins with a light lunch at 12.30pm and the 2nd begins with a light supper at 6.30pm. All our volunteers who minister with children, youth and vulnerable adults and have not yet attended a Safeguarding Workshop previously are warmly recommended to attend one of the workshops. It is a decision of the NZ Bishops Conference that we be trained adequately on safeguarding principles while reaching out in any form of ministry. **RSVP Fr. Mathew latest by 2nd November, 2023 for catering purposes.**

Scripture Readings for Sunday, 5th November, Thirty First in Ordinary Time year A
Commentator and prayers: Nimmi Abraham
Eucharistic Minister: Theresa Madelozo
Theme:- Anyone who humbles himself will be exalted.

First Reading:- Malachi 1:14—2:2,8-10
(Hector Camacho)

Through the prophet Malachi, God judges the priests of Israel and calls them to be more faithful to the Covenant.

Responsorial Psalm:- Psalm 131:1-3

R/- In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

Second Reading:- 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9,13
(Regina Camacho)

Paul gives thanks to God for the way in which the Thessalonians received the word of God.

Gospel Acclamation:- Matthew 23: 9-10
Alleluia, Alleluia!

You have one Father, your Father in heaven; you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia! Gospel Reading:-Matthew 23:1-12
They do not practise what they preach.

Parish Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Elections to the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC): Date: **Saturday, 18 November 2023** Venue: St. Andrew's Church, Tuakau Time: **2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.** The AGM is the annual gathering of parishioners who can offer constructive suggestions for the vitality of parish life and mission, and bring matters of pastoral concern to the attention of the PPC. Serving on the PPC and on the Standing Committees and groups in the parish and beyond is one of the ways in which you can use your Baptismal gifts. I encourage you to get yourself nominated or nominate others for PPC membership, to work in collaboration with your priest. **The last date for submitting the duly filled-in PPC nomination form is Saturday, 4th November 2023.**

Parish Feast Day Celebrations Committee - Members needed: Our parish is requesting parishioners to join the Parish Feast Day Celebrations Committee to plan and to organize the feast day of the parish. Carmel Stewart has kindly agreed to chair the Celebrations Committee. Date: **Saturday, 25 November 2023.** Venue for Mass: St. Andrew Church Tuakau. Venue for the social celebrations: TBC

One-Liner

"You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough."- Mae West

Please email items for the newsletter or Memorial book to **nimmibaksu@gmail.com** or text to **0274308557** – Nimmi Abraham

RUTH MILLER SCHOLARSHIP for studying Bachelor of Theology in 2024 at TE KUPENGA CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE announced by Bishop Stephen Lowe, the Catholic Bishop of Auckland. For further information and application form, please email: scholarships@cda.org.nz. The closing date is **18 NOVEMBER 2023**

Requiem Mass for the Faithfully Departed - All Souls, 7 pm Thursday, 2 November, at St Patrick's Cathedral, 43 Wyndham Street. The Book of Remembrance will be available to sign in the front of the Cathedral by Our Lady's Chapel for the month of November. Please feel free to write down the names. Validated parking will be available at the Wilson car park on Durham Lane (\$3). Parking with a discounted rate (\$4.50) is available at the Hobson Street (Farmers) Car Park using the ParkMate App only. Please download the App, register your details and be sure to use the Code: STPATS to access this discount.

The Pompallier Diocesan Centre, 30 New St, St Mary's Bay is a service hub for the diocese. On the **9th November from 4.00-7.30pm** you are invited to an **Open Home** at the Centre.

Gaudete advent & Christmas carols: Music from Parishes, Schools & Ethnic Chaplaincies across the Diocese. **25th November, 3pm - 6pm Saturday.** Sir Woolf Fisher Arena (770 Great South Road, Manukau 2104) For All Ages | Donation / **Entry by Koha** | Free Parking Available Caring Foundation Christmas Appeal.