

*The following deaths and Anniversaries are about this time*

- 23 Eva Mary Gibb  
Michael Denton (grand-nephew of Irene Dromgool)
- 24 Crispin Silva (father of Eva Armitage)  
Mercedes Jayme (aunt of Eva Armitage)
- 25 David Payne
- 26 June Thomson
- 28 Norma Hinfelaar (sister of Kath Dunn)

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

**Saints of the week, cycle C.**

**Monday, 22nd of Sept:- Saint Maurice**

**Tuesday, 23rd of Sept:- Saint Pius of Pietreclina and Saint Thecla of Iconium**

**Wednesday, 24th of Sept:- Saint Gerard of Csanad**

**Thursday, 25th of Sept:- Saint Nicholas of Flue**

**Friday, 26th of Sept:- Saint Cosmas and Damian**

**Saturday, 27th of Sept:- Saint Vincent de Paul**

**Sunday, 28th of Sept:- Saint Wenceslaus**

**Church Notices**

We are also looking for volunteers to assist as **Ministers of the Word** and **Eucharistic Ministers**.

If you're able to help, please contact:

**Litia Lockington** – 021 0832 9971

**Clare Williams** – 021 178 0667

**Cleaning Notice**

Please be informed that church cleaning is scheduled for **Saturday, 27th September**, from **10:00 AM to 11:00 AM**. All volunteers are welcome to join and help keep our church tidy and welcoming.

**Your support is greatly appreciated!**

*Welcome to*  
**St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Tuakau**  
*Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 21st September 2025, Cycle*



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**Mass Times:**

Saturday Vigil, 5:00 pm

Wed & Fri, 11:00 am

**Reconciliation:**

Saturday: 4:30 to 4:45 pm or  
by appointment

**Anointing of the sick:**

First Friday, during Mass at  
11:00 am

**Introduction:**

**God or Money.**

*Prayer Thought: The Prophet Amos speaks out against those who exploit the poor and helpless: Jesus makes it clear that we cannot serve both God and money. A Christian uses his riches with responsibility to those in need.*

**Readings from Sacred Scripture:**

**First Reading** Amos 8:4-7

*Unfair business practices and injustice to the poor will be judged by God.*

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 112:1-2,4-8

*R/. Praise the Lord, Who raises the poor.*

**Second Reading:** Psalm 113: 1-2,4-6,7-8

*Praise be to God, who raises up the poor.*

**Gospel Acclamation:-** Acts 16:14

*Alleluia,*

*Alleluia! Open our heart, o Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!*

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 16:1-13

*Jesus tells a parable about a dishonest steward who is commended for his prudence; one cannot serve both God and money.*

**WEEKLY INSPIRATION – TRUE RICHES**



**“No servant can serve two masters.**

**Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”**

**— Luke 16:13**

Earthly wealth is temporary, but how we use it reveals where our hearts truly belong. Jesus calls us to choose God over possessions, living with eternity in mind and investing in treasures that never fade.

### Scripture note :-

Today's Gospel sounds puzzling to contemporary readers, but it can be made less so by considering the economic system which stands behind the parable. A steward is dismissed because he is squandering his master's property. He is called dishonest because he is not serving the interests of the rich man, his employer. In response the steward, in an attempt to ensure favor for himself among the rich man's debtors, brokers repayment of the rich man's loans by foregoing the interest and fees that had been levied to line the steward's pockets. It is this action, in which the steward puts aside his greed and takes the longer perspective in order to enhance his security, which is commended by the rich man.

The passage concludes with three morals for the listeners. The first exhorts the listener to be prudent about the use of wealth. Like the steward in the parable, those who would follow Jesus must put transitory affairs in proper perspective. Christians should handle the affairs of temporal life with an eye toward eternal life. The second concerns trustworthiness. Those who can be trusted in small things can also be trusted in great things. If Christians handle money and other passing things responsibly, then they can also be trusted with the affairs of the Kingdom of God.

**St Marys College Auckland 175th Jubilee Celebrations.** Labour Weekend (Friday 24th - Sunday 26th October) 2025 marks 175 years since the Sisters of Mercy arrived in NZ and founded St Mary's College. Past pupils, teachers and friends are invited to a weekend of celebrations, including a cocktail function, school tours and displays, and a family picnic and Mass at the school. On Saturday 25th October, the Gala Jubilee Dinner will be held at the RNZ Yacht Squadron. For more information about the Jubilee events please contact [pastpupilsstmarys@gmail.com](mailto:pastpupilsstmarys@gmail.com)

**Mothers Group:** All mothers and their children under the age of 5 are invited to "St Gianna's Mothers and Children Group". The morning starts with an element of formation and group discussions while your children enjoy a safe area to play, followed by Mass and lunch (provided). Join us on the **second and fourth Tuesdays** of the month from **10am - 1pm**. This group is run by Family Life International at their 'St Gianna's Home for Mothers and Babies' in Pukekohe Auckland. First session will be on Tuesday 29th of April.

Contact Amie for the address: 027 350 8227; [werthenextgen@gmail.com](mailto:werthenextgen@gmail.com)

**Te Ara o te Tūmanako - The Way of Hope - 29th September 2025 to 19th October 2025** Every 25 years the Church proclaims a Holy Year, a special gift of grace and mercy for all God's people. The theme for Jubilee 2025 is "Pilgrims of Hope." On the way we will meet pilgrims of the past, who we now know as saints, but were once pilgrims of the past who have influenced our local and the universal Church and who will inspire us in hope as journey to the Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica in Rome. For further information and bookings please contact Harvest Journeys NZ Call free 0800 819 156 - [harvestjourneys.com/pv2566](http://harvestjourneys.com/pv2566) or [info@harvestjourneys.com](mailto:info@harvestjourneys.com)

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### **Scripture Readings Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C, 28th September**

**Theme:-** *Woe to those who feel safe*

**First Reading** Amos 6:1,4-7

*God will judge the complacency of the people and their leaders.*

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 112:1-2,4-8

**R/. My soul, give praise to the Lord, Alleluia**

**Second Reading:** 1 Timothy 6:11-16

*Paul exhorts Timothy to stay faithful to God in all things.*

**Gospel Acclamation:-** Acts 16:14

*Alleluia, Alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord. I know them and they will follow me.. Alleluia!*

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 16:19-31

*Jesus tells the parable of the reversal of fortunes between the rich man and the poor man, Lazarus.*

**SAINT TERESA'S SCHOOL BLUFF** is to celebrate 125 years Jubilee. **Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th October 2025.** We would love to see you and do let your friends / relations know.

Enquiries to [Sonz125@hotmail.com](mailto:Sonz125@hotmail.com)

**Hope and Renewal Summit** - RACE Awapuni, 67 Racecourse Road, **Palmerston North**, In this Jubilee Year of Hope, the Summit calls parish leaders, clergy, and volunteers to dream boldly and step confidently into a future where parishes thrive in mission and discipleship. This 3-day gathering will equip you with practical tools, Spirit-led inspiration, and a renewed vision for lasting parish renewal. In partnership with Divine Renovation and the Diocese of Palmerston North, the summit builds on New Zealand's growing renewal movement—now is the time to fan the flame into a nationwide transformation. **October 2** - Clergy Only Day: A day of spiritual renewal and leadership formation for priests. **October 3- 4** - Open to everyone Inspiring keynotes from renewal leaders Hands-on workshops Spirit-led prayer. From small rural parishes to large urban communities, this summit offers the vision, tools, and encouragement to embrace mission, inspire hope, and transform parish culture. The time is now. The call is clear. Are you ready to set your parish on fire for mission? Please visit the following link for details and registration: [Home - Hope and Renewal Summit | Parish Renewal Conference](#)

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Please contact Father Robert as soon as possible in planning your marriage.

Please email items for the newsletter or Memorial book to [minu\\_mathew@hotmail.com](mailto:minu_mathew@hotmail.com) or text to 021 926 935 – Minu Mathew

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