

The following deaths and Anniversaries are about this time

- 29 Bernard Munro
Maida McGee (mother of Edna Peters and grandmother of Carmel Jennings)
Claude O'Leary
Philip James Grace
- 30 Joseph David Peters (husband of Edna Peters and father of Carmel Jennings)
May Caroline Donovan
- 1 Frank McKean
Dr Lita Domingo (sister of Dulce Donaldson)
Molly Gibb
Anna Maria Henrica van den Bogaart (mother of Trudi Moulden)
- 2 Bernice Margaret Drummond
- 3 Herman Van Gessel (father of Chris Van Gessel)
- 4 Alfred Moulden (father in law of Trudy Moulden)

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, 29th of Sept:- Saint Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

Tuesday, 30th of Sept:- Saint Jerome

Wednesday, 1st of Oct:- Saint Therese of Lisieux, Saint Bavo of Ghent

Thursday, 2nd of Oct:- Guardian Angels

Friday, 3rd of Oct:- Saint Dionysius the Areopagite

Saturday, 4th of Oct:- Saint Francis of Assisi

Sunday, 5th of Oct:- Saint Placid

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:

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Your support is greatly appreciated!

Welcome to
St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Tuakau
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 28th September 2025, Cycle C



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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:

Woe to those who feel Safe

Prayer Thought: Amos and Luke combine to teach that self-satisfaction is not a godly virtue: we cannot rest contented with our own lot when we have brothers and sisters who are in want. Christ has shared his love with us: we must do likewise.

Readings from Sacred Scripture:

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.

WEEKLY INSPIRATION –KINDNESS



“Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.”

— Matthew 25:40

True discipleship is shown in how we treat those in need—choose compassion over comfort, for that is where God's heart is found

Scripture note :-

A major theme in the Gospel of Luke is the importance of the care of the poor in the life of discipleship. In the parable found in today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the life of a rich man and the poor man, Lazarus, who lives in the shadow of the rich man and his wealth. Both die. Lazarus finds himself in heaven; the rich man in the netherworld. The rich man asks for assistance from Lazarus in his torment. But Abraham reminds the rich man of the good things he had in his life and describes the current situation as a reversal of fortunes. The rich man then asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his family, but this is denied with the reminder that Moses and the prophets have warned of judgment for those who neglect the care of the poor.

In the context of Luke's Gospel, this parable, delivered in the presence of a crowd of listeners, is part of Jesus' response to some Pharisees. These Pharisees are described in Luke's Gospel as "loving money." (Note: The Pharisees were followers of a sect of Judaism active before, during, and after Jesus' lifetime. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for popular Jewish piety. They put less emphasis on Temple worship and more on applying the law to everyday life. Though they are often portrayed negatively in the Gospels, they shared many of Jesus' and the early Church's concerns about the law.) Jesus observed that the actions of some Pharisees betrayed misplaced priorities: they spoke one way, but acted in another. The story of the rich man and Lazarus demonstrates the importance of the care of the poor and is a reminder to those who would follow Jesus of the unimportance of wealth in the eyes of God. Finally, Jesus tells his listeners that no one can serve two masters simultaneously. God must be put ahead of money.

St Marv's 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

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.

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 or info@harvestjourneys.com

Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women is moving to small parish-based groups called Dovecotes, where women may experience the warmth of fellowship, the power of prayer and the joy of worship. If you feel a need for a Dovecote in your area, please contact Gloria: dovenational.leader@gmail.com or Ph 0272456742. website: www.dove.org.nz

Scripture Readings Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C, 5th October

Theme:- To Live in Faithfulness

First Reading *Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4*

The patience of the just man shall be rewarded when he sees the vision fulfilled.

Responsorial Psalm: *Ps 94:1-2; 6-9*

R/. O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Second Reading: *2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14*

Paul urges Timothy to remain strong in the Spirit of faith Timothy received.

Gospel Acclamation:- *Acts 16:14*

*Alleluia, Alleluia! **Speak, Lord your servant is listening: Your have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!***

Gospel Reading: *Luke 17:5-10*

Jesus teaches the apostles the importance of faith and service to God

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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

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.