

The following deaths and Anniversaries are about this time

- 6 Jess Irwin
7 Laures Mann (sister of Pauline Geraghty)
Maria Gertruda McHardy nee Vogels (Niece of Dora van Bogart)
9 Kate Woods
Brother Felix Bentley
John Russell Casey
12 Frederick Claude Tyson (father of Maurice Tyson)
Tessa Keily

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.

Reflection for This Week

In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that even the smallest amount of faith can move mountains. He calls us not only to believe, but also to live as faithful servants, trusting that God works through our willingness and humility. True discipleship is found in everyday acts of service, offered with love and gratitude.

Let us continue to nurture our faith, no matter how small it may feel, and place our trust

Saints of the week, cycle C,

Monday, 6th of Oct:- Saint Bruno
Tuesday, 7th of Oct:- Our Lady of the Rosary
Wednesday, 8th of Oct:- Saint Palatias
Thursday, 9th of Oct:- Saint Denis
Friday, 10th of Oct:- Saints Sarah and Abraham
Saturday, 11th of Oct:- Saint Francis Borgia
Sunday, 12th of Oct:- Blessed John XXIII

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-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 5, 2025, Cycle C



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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:

To live in Faithfulness

Prayer Thought: To be faithful to God is to be full of faith, Willing to trust him and to commit oneself to him completely. If we are prepared to do this then all sorts of wonders become possible.

Readings from Sacred Scripture:

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.

WEEKLY INSPIRATION – FAITH & SERVICE



“The apostles said to the Lord, ‘Increase our faith!’”
— Luke 17:5

Even faith the size of a mustard seed can do great things, Jesus reminds us. Yet we are also called to humility, remembering that any good accomplished through us is by God's grace, not our own. As disciples, we serve faithfully, trusting that God will multiply our small offerings into blessings far greater than we can imagine.

Scripture note :-

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus teach about faith and service to God. The context is a continuing dialogue between Jesus and his followers about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Jesus has just finished an instruction on sin and forgiveness. There are two related teachings that Jesus offers to his disciples when they cry out for an increase in faith. The first is the familiar reminder that faith, even just a little, will enable the followers of Jesus to do wondrous things. But this uplifting and inspiring teaching is quickly followed by the second teaching, a caution about knowing one's place in God's plans. The disciples of Jesus are to understand themselves as servants to God and his plans. Even when God works wonders through us, with our mustard seed-sized faith, we must not seek praise. Our participation in God's plans is God's grace to us—nothing more, nothing less. When we are graced enough to cooperate with God, the work we do is nothing more than our obligation to God as faithful stewards. And yet, our faith enables us to believe that what we have offered in service to God, as his servants, can be made to produce a hundredfold.

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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

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-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C, 12th October

Theme:- Thanks be To God

First Reading 2 Kings 5:14-17

Naaman is cleansed of his leprosy and chooses to serve the God of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 97:1-4

R/. The Lord had shown his salvation to the nations.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Those who remain faithful to Christ will share Christ's glory.

Gospel Acclamation:- John 6:63,68 Alleluia, Alleluia! ***Your Words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!***

Gospel Reading: Luke 17:11-19

Jesus heals 10 lepers, and one, the Samaritan, returns to give thanks.

Please email items for the newsletter or Memorial book to minu_mathew@hotmail.com or text to 021 926 935 – Minu Mathew

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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.