

The following deaths and Anniversaries are about this time

- 29 Chrysanthé Wenzlick
4 Daniel Patrick Colgan
5 Vivianne Mary McDonald
Walter McAnulty

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.

Altar Flower Donations

We sincerely thank everyone for their generous donations towards the altar flowers. Your support is truly appreciated!
A donation box for Church altar flowers will be available at the back of the church and collected after each weekend Mass. Your contributions help keep our altar beautiful and welcoming. Any donations or assistance are deeply valued—thank you for your continued support.

Saints of the week

Monday, 29th of June :- Saint Peter the Apostle

Saint Paul the Apostle

Tuesday, 30th of June :- The Martyrs of Rome under Nero

Wednesday, 1st of July :- Saint Aaron

Thursday, 2nd of July :- Saints Processus and Martinian

Friday, 3rd of July :- Saint Thomas the Apostle

Saturday, 4th of July :- Saint Elizabeth of Portugal

Sunday, 5th of July :- Saint Anthony Zaccaria



Support for Families

If any family in our community needs help or support, please feel free to contact **Litia Lockington** – 021 0832 9971 or **Clare Williams** – 021 178 0667

We kindly invite those who are able to contribute to our food basket as a simple act of generosity and care for families in need. Your kindness can bring comfort and support to those who may be struggling.

Welcome to St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Tuakau

Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle A, June 28 2026



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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

Facebook:

StAndrewsCatholicChurch-

Anyone who welcomes you Welcomes me

Entrance Antiphon

All nations, clap your hands. Shout with a voice of joy to God.

Readings from Sacred Scripture:

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:8-11,14-16a

Hospitality extended to Elisha will be rewarded. .

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 88:2-3,16-19

R/. I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.

Second Reading: Romans 6:3-4,8-11

Through Christ we are dead to sin but alive in God.

Gospel Acclamation:- John 1:14:12 Alleluia, Alleluia! *Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!*

Gospel Reading: Matthew 10:37-42

Jesus outlines the costs and rewards of discipleship.

WEEKLY INSPIRATION –FAITHFULNESS



“Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me.”—

Matthew 10:40

Following Jesus may not always be easy, but every sacrifice made for Him has a greater purpose and reward. By welcoming, helping, and loving others, we become a living reflection of Christ's presence in the world.

CATHOLIC NEWS IN YOUR INBOX:

What's happening in the Catholic Church in New Zealand? What is Pope Leo doing and saying? What are the big stories affecting people of faith in our country? Get Catholic headlines delivered to your inbox each Tuesday and Friday. Sign up today at: <https://cathnewsnz.com/>

SCRIPTURE NOTE

Today's Gospel is the conclusion of the instructions and consolations that we have heard Jesus offering to his disciples during the past few weeks. In this passage, Jesus summarizes both the costs of discipleship and its rewards. Once again our understanding of the Gospel is strengthened by considering the context in which it was written and the perspective of Matthew's audience.

The conditions of discipleship outlined in Matthew's Gospel may appear harsh. Yet they underline for us a truth—choosing anything with one's whole heart has consequences. Choosing life with Christ means that every relationship we have must be understood from a new perspective. For many in Matthew's community, this choice brought division to their family.

Matthew also outlines the reward of hospitality offered to Jesus' followers. In today's Gospel, Jesus explains the difficulties of discipleship, yet reveals that those who welcome the disciples have also welcomed him.

Today's Gospel also highlights for us the importance of hospitality in the Christian life. To welcome another in Jesus' name is to extend hospitality to Jesus himself. We have many opportunities in our daily life to reach out to others, to be a welcoming presence and a sign of God's love.

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

OneLicense exciting Update. Are you struggling to have musicians to play at each Mass? OneLicense has launched a new Recorded Audio License. With this add-on you can legally play master recordings and self-produced recordings in worship services, embed them into slides, and more! For more information please see <https://www.onelicense.net/how-it-works#recorded-audio> If you wish to add one on to your current license, please email your Auckland Diocese Group Manager Tina Coll on tinac@cda.org.nz

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

Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle A, 28th June 2026

I am Gentle and Humble of Heart

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10

The Lord shall come to reign in Zion.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145:1-2,8-11,13-14

R/. I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.

Second Reading: Romans 8:9,11-13

Those in whom the Spirit of God dwells must now live according to the Spirit, not the flesh.

Gospel Acclamation:- John 1:14:12 Alleluia, Alleluia! **Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus prays in thanks to God, who has revealed himself to the lowly.

Literacy Aotearoa (RYALT) seeking a tutor

- Training is provided online and is free.
- Face-to-Face coaching takes place in a public place like the Library, or maybe a Hub if the community has one. Some of our students don't have devices to use to be online.
- Coaching sessions are one on one - no groups or classes.
- It's up to the coach and student to come to an agreement on how often they meet and for how long.
- The average session lasts about an hour.
- We don't have a curriculum - instead we focus on what the student feels they need to work on. It could be filling in forms, trying to pass a drivers licence, learning to read (some of our students are beginners), becoming more confident with writing especially in spelling.

For more information please contact

Rowena Bonne <krmbonne@gmail.com> 021 1789 508

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

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!