



**Lenten Appeal Envelopes are now available in the Church foyer. Please take one per family.**



**LENTEN SEASON BEGINS WITH ASH WEDNESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY, 2023. MASS TIMES TO BE CONFIRMED IN THE COMING WEEK.**

**Sacrament of Penance**

Book an appointment with any of the priests after Mass or use phone numbers listed below.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Gloria Salanoa OR Parish office.

**Marriages**

Require at least six months' notice. Contact Fr Anthony Tran OR Fr Rivan Narang. Booking St. Anthony OR St. Therese Church for Wedding 275 5401

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS**

RCIA/RCIC Contact Hila Tuli 02102233342. First Reconciliation, Confirmation & First Holy Communion. Contact Talei Solomon Mua. 0223920189

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**SCHOOLS IN THE PARISHES**

**St Mary MacKillop Primary** Years 1-8 • McNaughton Avenue ☎ 257 1435 ☎ 257 1436

**St Joseph's Catholic School** Years 0-8 125 Church Street Onehunga ☎ 6368102

**De La Salle College** • Years 7-13 • Gray Avenue ☎ 276 4319 ☎ 276 7992



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**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

MONDAY	6th February.	FRIDAY	10th February
	<u>Waitangi Day</u>		<u>St. Scholastica. V. (m)</u>
1 Kings 2:1-4,10-12 Mark 6:7-13	Cant 1 Chron No Mass Public Holiday.	Genesis 3:1-8 Mark 7:31-37	Psalms 32
	<b>TUESDAY</b> 7th February.	<b>St. Anthony</b> Mass 9am	
	<u>St. Paul Miki &amp; Comps. p. M.</u>	<b>SATURDAY</b> 11th February	<u>5th Week in Ordinary Time A</u>
Genesis 1:20-2:4 Mark 7:1-13	Psalms 8	Genesis 3:9-24 Mark 8:1-10	Psalms 90
<b>St. Therese</b> Mass 9am.	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 8th February.		<b>St. Therese Mass 9am Mass &amp; Baptism.</b>
	<u>5th Week in Ordinary Time A.</u>	<b>Sunday</b> 12th February	<u>6th Sunday in Ordinary Time A.</u>
Genesis 2:4-9,15-17 Mark 7:14-23	Psalms 104		<u>Psalter W.2</u>
<b>St. Anthony</b> Mass 9am.	<b>THURSDAY</b> 9th February.	Ecus 15:15-20 : Psalm 119A: 1Cor 2: 6-10: Matthew 5:17-37.	<u>Weekend Mass Times</u>
	<u>5th Week in Ordinary Time A.</u>	<b>St. Anthony Saturday Vigil 5 &amp; Sunday 9am Mass.</b>	<b>St. Therese Sunday 8am, 10am &amp; 6pm.</b>
Genesis 2:18-25 Mark 7:24-30	Psalms 128		
<b>St. Therese</b> Mass 9am			

**CHURCH AND GROUNDS  
CLEANING IN BOTH PARISHES.**

**St. Anthony's.**

Thank you to all the volunteers for looking after the Church grounds. Thank you also to the community groups, prayer groups and individuals families for looking after the Church cleaning each week.

**First Saturday:** Divine Mercy & Legion of Mary Prayer groups.

**Second Saturday:** take turns each month Tongan and Samoan community.

**Third Saturday:** Monica Pua and family.

**Fourth Saturday:** St Anthony Youth group.

**Fifth Saturday:** Toluono family.

**St. Therese  
CHURCH & GROUNDS.**

Thank you to the all the groups for looking after the Church grounds during the holiday period in the month of January. Also thank you to the Legion of Mary for Church cleaning each week. Grounds cleaning roster resumes in the month of February.

**First Saturday:** Other Ethnic Communities.

**Second Saturday:** Tongan Community.

**Third Saturday:** Cook Islands Community.

**Fourth Saturday:** Samoan Community.

**Fifth Saturday:** 6pm Choir.

**BOOKINGS**

Bookings for 2023 still needs to be reconfirmed for prayer groups, community groups and choir. Please contact the parish office for bookings starting dates.

**BAPTISM.**

Sessions on Tuesday 7th and Thursday 9th February St Therese parish meeting room 6pm. Baptism will be included at the 9am Mass on Saturday the 11th of February. Please bring your child's birth certificate for enrolment. Private baptism is now on hold until further notice.

**PREFERENCE FORMS.**

Preference for enrolment form for school, all enquiries are directly to the priests. Please contact Fr Roy OR Fr Rivan Narang for an appointment or for further explanation. Priest's contact numbers on page 4 of the bulletin.

**SAFEGUARDING IN THE CHURCH.**

Please parents look after the children in the carpark area and children are to accompany by an adult when using the toilet facilities.

**WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!**

Wishing all the best to the children returning to school this year. Good luck to all the parents and caregivers slow down on the roads and drive safely.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM.**

Enrolments continues on Thursday 9th February at St Therese Church 4pm. Baptism certificate is required for enrolment. Forms are available at the parish office. Please contact Talei Solomon Mua for more details.

**LITURGY MEETING BOTH PAIRSHES.**

Due to Lenten season starting early this year and stations of the cross on Fridays during lent. The first liturgy meeting will be on Friday the 17th of February at the parish office 6pm.

**HAVE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH ROLL?**

Welcome to any new families in the Mangere suburb. Please ask a safety officer for a registration form if you are new in the parish. If you are relocating please update your details at the parish office.

**POLICE VETTING RENEWAL.**

A gentle reminder for all volunteers. All applications submitted in 2020 is due to expire on January, 2023. Please bring driver's license or passport for verification with you when you drop off your form. For more information, please contact the parish office.

**Ngā Tapuwae - Sacred Footsteps 2023.**

Registrations are now open for Our Northland pilgrimage will be from 6th January to 8th January 2023. All are welcome to hikoi with us to learn more of our Catholic heritage. We will explore, experience, and live the sacred places of Kupe, Bishop Pompallier, and the early missionaries. The pilgrimage will conclude with Mass at the place where the first Mass in NZ occurred. Register <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/nga-tapuwaee-pilgrimage/> or contact: Stephen Fraser 09 360 3052 or: [stephenf@cda.org.nz](mailto:stephenf@cda.org.nz)

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL.**

Parishes pastoral councils will announce two new members for St Therese parish and one new member for St Anthony parish in the next fortnight.

**MORE NEWS TO COME IN THE COMING WEEK.**

**Sunday 5th February. 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time A. Psalter W.1**

*Today's Readings Isaiah 58: 7-10: Psalm 112: 1 Cor 2:1-5: Matthew 5:13-16*

*Sharing Christ's light.*

Following on from the beatitudes in Matthew's gospel, Jesus speaks of his followers as salt and light. Is that us, we might wonder? While we may no longer preserve food with salt, though millions in the world still do, we all know something of the lift it can give to food. We don't want to overdo it, but no salt and our food might lack for something.

So, salt comes into its own when added to something else. That's our task, to add something to people's lives, to give what life we're able to those who share our lives. But Jesus then reminds us that salt can lose its distinctive character and be of no use except for salting the path. So too can we, when the world is too much with us.

If we adopt unwittingly the ways of the world and the call of Jesus fades into the background of our lives, we too will lose our character. To be in the world, to love it, but not be of it, is what's required of us if we are to be 'salt of the earth'. That is what we are to be in our street, in our neighbourhood, in our town and even beyond.

Jesus goes on to say that 'you are the light of the world'. Rather like salt, light doesn't illumine itself, so we're to share the light of Christ, who is the light of the world. That's what we are called to be: a light which will help illumine the lives of those with whom we share our lives. And as we begin to open our lives to others, we begin to recognise we belong to one another, and that this includes people in need, the hungry, the homeless, those left with nothing (as Isaiah says in the first reading). Then our light will shine 'like the dawn.'

When we do this we'll begin to live the beatitudes and be counted blessed. We'll learn to reveal the power of the Spirit and of God, as Paul says in the second reading. It begins with doing simple things. This light can also illumine the unease and, at moments, even the despair of our lives; and then we might find we're able to sit with people who feel weighed down by their lives. As we begin to do this, let us give thanks to God for enabling it, because we're living as God wants us to live.

So, don't hide our lights away, for what use is that, but put them on a stand, in order that they might shed some light in a darkening world. Let our good works be that light.

In this way Jesus encourages us to be salt and light for the world. When we do this, we're able to make a difference, and to witness to this way of living.

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