

### Marriages

Contact Fr Roy OR Fr Rivan Narang.

Booking St. Anthony OR St. Therese Church for Wedding 275 5401

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM SCHEDULE

March 14th St Anthony 9am

May 9th St Anthony

### ST. THERESE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL.

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Samoa Community Representative Satuala Christopher Oleva Tanuvasa Media

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Other Ethnic Communities Representative Hector Zinck

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Tongan Rep & Multicultural Mass coordinator Epifania Saili

Other Ethnic Communities Representative Roy Thomas

### LITURGY COORDINATORS

#### St. Therese

Cantor Paongo Havili Tea

Altar Server Vaimalama Fuimaono & Saviga Taumata

Musician Chanel Alataua

Readers Hila Tuli

Safety Officer Francis Sio

Communion Marcel Papa & Laki Peni

AV Operators Ana Taumata

Communion Minister to the Sick Talava Toomata

#### St. Anthony

Vice Chair Cantor & Musician Maliana Ioane

Altar Server Epifania Saili

Readers Sia Maiava & Gloria Salanoa

Safety Officers Kalolo Toleafoa

Communion Ministers Vaofilifili Fidow

AV Operators TBC

### Safeguarding Team

#### St Anthony Parish

Kalolo Toleafoa

Vaofilifili Fidow

Anthony Antao

#### St. Therese Parish

Chanel Alataua

Vaimalama Fuimaono

Francis Sio



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### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

PSALTER (W.2)

**MONDAY 2nd March**

Second Week of Lent, Year A

Daniel 9:4-10; Psalm 79  
Luke 6:36-38

**Mass St Anthony 9am**

**TUESDAY 3rd March**

Second Week of Lent, Year A

Isaiah 1:10,16-20; Psalm 50  
Matthew 23:1-12

**St. Therese Mass 9am**

**WEDNESDAY 4th March**

Second Week of Lent, Year A

Jeremiah 18:18-20; Psalm 31  
Matthew 20:17-28

**St. Anthony Mass 9am**

**THURSDAY 5th March**

Second Week of Lent, Year A

Jeremiah 17:5-18; Psalm 1  
Luke 16:19-31

**St. Therese Mass 9am**

**FRIDAY 6th March**

Second Week of Lent, Year A

Genesis 37:3-4,12-13,17-28; Psalm 105  
Matthew 21:33-43,45-46  
**Mass 9am Adoration until 5:30pm.**  
**Confession 10am to 12midday.**

Stations of the Cross

St Anthony 6pm

St. Therese

Parish 6pm & Tongan Stations 7pm

**SATURDAY 7th March**

Second Week of Lent, Year A

Micah 7:14-15,18-20; Psalm 103  
Luke 15:1-3,11-32

**Mass St Therese 9am**

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY 8th March

(3rd Sunday of Lent, Year A. PW.3)

Exodus 17:3-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-2,5-8; John 4:5-42

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

St. Anthony, Mangere Bridge.

Saturday Vigil 5pm. Sunday 9am Mass.  
Samoan Mass 4th Sunday 11am.

St. Therese, Mangere East.

Sunday 8am, 10am & 6pm. Tongan Mass  
7pm First Friday of the month. Samoan Mass  
4th Sunday of the month 12midday.

### **CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER.**

1st Sunday Maata Matisi & Tuli Families  
2nd Sunday Susana Schmidt & Family  
3rd Sunday Vaifale Family  
Jan, Mar, May, July, Sep, Nov.  
3rd Sunday Faalili Family  
Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec.  
4th & 5th Sunday Legion of Mary.

### **GROUNDS CLEANING ROSTER.**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Tongan Community  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Ethnic group  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Cook Islands Community  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Samoan Community  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Parish Youth & 6pm Choir

### **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE.**

Dear Parishioners,  
Marriage is a holy covenant blessed by God. While civil marriage fulfils legal requirements, it is not complete in the eyes of our Lord. Our priests are available to help you achieve the necessary spiritual steps to sanctify your union in front of God. Please reach out for guidance and support to ensure your marriage is fully blessed and recognized by the Church. Fathers Roy and Rivan are looking forward to hearing from you soon.

### **MASS ANOINTING OF THE SICK.**

The next anointing Mass will be at St Therese on the 10th of March.

**THE MANGERE CATHOLIC YOUTH** invites all young people to join us for the annual Stations of the Cross held at Mangere Mountain on Good Friday. We'll be having our opening session and practice on Thursday 5th March at St Therese large hall from 6pm to 8pm. We welcome young people to take part in this sacred re-enactment as future leaders of our parish. MCY youth invite past & new members to join our family.

### **PREFERENCE ENROLMENT FORM**

Baptism certificate is required to support preference for enrolment application and book an appointment with any of the priests, their contact numbers are on page 4. Do not ring the office for preference appointments. and will close at 3pm on Friday 13 March, 2026.

### **SUNDAY CHILDREN'S LITURGY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ST THERESE CHURCH**

Please contact the parish office if you are interested to help in this ministry.

### **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM**

Every Thursday St Therese Parish at 4:30pm. Please bring the children on time.

### **RCIA/RCIC PROGRAM**

Sessions on Sunday at 11:30am (after 10am) at St Therese parish.

### **BAPTISM FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH.**

St Anthony parish's turn. Baptism date 14th March, 9am. Session and enrolment dates 10th and 12th of March at St Anthony parish. Birth certificate is required for enrolment.

### **LENTEEN RECONCILIATION EVENING**

Both parishes' confession evening for Lenten season will be at St Therese parish on Thursday the 19th of March at 7pm.

### **STAYING SAFE ON SOCIAL MEDIA.**

Tip#2: It's easy to do a quick check – you can find the Privacy Checkup under the Settings & Privacy section of your profile.

### **HOLY WEEK PREPARATION**

#### **PALM SUNDAY**

St Therese parish needs palms to decorate the church grounds for palm Sunday. Drop off dates 27th & 28th March. Thank you

#### **GOOD FRIDAY**

Dear Parishioners of St Anthony and St Therese, we are looking for people who have first Aid, doctors and nurses , any medical background who are willing to help and volunteer with stations at Mangere mountain Good Friday. If you are interested please register your details at the foyer after all masses. Thank you for your support. Chanel.

### **EASTER SATURDAY VIGIL**

In the coming weeks, special notices will be available for water and candles.

***HOLY WEEK MASS & SERVICE TIMES  
WILL BE AVAILBLE SOON.***

### **DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION AND MASS**

Friday 6th March 7:00pm at St Mary's Parish, 20 Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy Sung, Benediction, Mass, followed by Veneration of St Faustina's relic. All Welcome.

1st March, 2026. 2nd Sunday of Lent Year A. (P.W2)

***TODAY'S READINGS Genesis 12:1-4; Psalm 33; 2 Timothy 1:8-10; Matthew 17:1-9  
The unseen face of God***

In the Old Testament, the Hebrew word for God's glory, 'kabod', signifies the glorious manifestation of his presence. When this happens, the normally unseen and imperfectly known God makes himself known to his people in a visible and tangible way.

For example, in Exodus, the 'kabod' of God goes before his people in visible pillars of cloud and fire. This glorious appearance of God's presence and power leads the Israelites out of Egypt and it descends on Mt Sinai to give Moses the Ten Commandments. However, when Moses asks to see God's glory up close, God responds, "No one shall see my face and live."

When God reveals himself in the Old Testament, there was always some kind of separation or distance between his supremely holy presence and his people. Although God goes before his people and dwells with them, no one is permitted to see him face-to-face. To take another Old Testament example, Elijah responds to the passing presence of God on Mt Horeb (in 2 Kings) by covering his face. This separation recognised the gulf that still existed between God and humanity because of sin.

But in this week's gospel, Moses and Elijah appear at the top of a mountain, Mt Tabor, and commune face-to-face with the one true God. Jesus' identity is revealed; he is the 'kabod' of God, the same saving presence of God that spoke from the fiery cloud in Exodus.

However, this revelation of Jesus' divinity will only make sense after his death and resurrection. As much as the transfiguration reveals the truth about who Jesus is, Easter reveals so much more.

On Mt Tabor, Jesus is revealed in his divine glory, clothed in white and shining like the sun. On Golgotha, he is seen in tortured and shamed, stripped of his clothes.

On Mt Tabor, Jesus is surrounded by two of Israel's greatest heroes, representing God's communication and enduring presence with his people; on Golgotha, he is flanked by two criminals, representing the depth of sin and suffering in the human condition. Peter is awestruck and wants to stay on Mt Tabor, while he cowers in fear and doesn't approach Golgotha.

But, at both, the glory of God is unveiled for the whole world, and Jesus is revealed as the one true Son of God. At the transfiguration, a voice from heaven declares that "This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour;" at Golgotha, the truth of Jesus' divinity is proclaimed by a Roman centurion, one of his crucifiers.

As St Paul says in this week's Second Reading, we are reconciled to God because "he abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News."

And, just as Moses and Elijah saw in the transfiguration, through Jesus' death and resurrection, we have now seen, in him, the 'kabod' of God face-to-face.

Joseph Doyle

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