

PARISH NOTICES

Congratulations to Guylan GEONZON & Finn Hughes NACEWA upon receiving the Sacrament of Baptism. May the Lord Bless you, your parents, god-parents, family and friends on this your very special day. The Parish of Onehunga welcomes you all.

- 1. Adoration this Sunday 11th April is CANCELLED. Happy Divine Mercy Feast Day!**
- 2. Donation Envelopes:** another reminder to take your envelopes in the foyer please. It is in numerical order. Thank you.
- 3. A special & great THANK YOU** to all our Choirs especially our Combine Choir for coming together as one for the Triduum Celebrations. Your hard work is noted and appreciated. God's blessings to you All!
- 4. Parish Council** meeting Tuesday 13th April in the Meeting Room at 7.00pm.
- 5. Family Committee movie night:** Sunday 18th April 6pm in the Hall after Adoration.
- 6. Thank you all for your generosity in your continual giving of dried goods to enable the Caring and Services Committee to continue our work.** YES we are still collecting and distributing - while the need is there, we will continue.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

- 1. Central Auckland Grief Support** is a peer support group for adults who have gone through grief or loss, such as separation or divorce, the death of a significant person in their life or other major family changes. Our next meeting is planned on Saturday 17 April 2pm in the Hillsborough area. To find out more and to register, please contact Mabel at 021-1734978.
- 2. Consecration to St. Joseph:** Pope Francis declared this year as the Year of St. Joseph. St. Joseph is the Foster Father of Jesus, Patron of the Universal Church and Pillar of Families. Join the 33 Day Consecration to St. Joseph starting on March 30 to the Day of Consecration, May 1, the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker. In the midst of crisis, confusion and a world at odds with Christian values, it is time to entrust ourselves to our spiritual father. Register at www.marriageandfamily.org.nz
- 3. The Walter Francis Darby Trust Scholarship for Medical Students**
If you are a 4th or 5th year medical student in 2021, are an active Catholic and normally reside within the Auckland Diocese you may be eligible for the Walter Francis Darby Trust Scholarship. Call Catherine Ryan, (09) 360 3057 or email catheriner@cda.org.nz



OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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**“CEASE
DOUBTING
AND
BELIEVE”**

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B (DIVINE MERCY) 11TH APRIL 2021

REFLECTION

Acts 4:32-35). This is the second of three summaries in Acts that describe (in an idealized way) the life and activities of the earliest Christian community. (The other two are 2:42-47;5:12-16). The reading highlights the unity that existed among the members, their sharing of possessions, and the powerful preaching of the resurrection. We note the concern for the poor - a preoccupation of Luke. (1 John 5:1-6). From now until the seventh Sunday of Easter inclusive the second reading is taken from the first letter of St John. John's primary aim is to make his readers understand the sublimity of their condition as Christians. Christians share in the very life of God. They are born of God, and abide in God. Today's reading stresses the Christian vocation to love. Through faith in Jesus Christ, Christians have become children of God. They will show their love for God by keeping his commandments. And if they love God, they will surely love their fellow Christians too, because they too are children of God. Keeping the commandments is not difficult because through baptism they share in Christ's victory over the powers of evil.

(Jn 20:19-31). This passage has been referred to as the 'Johannine Pentecost.' But everything is less dramatic than in Acts. The risen Jesus appears to his apostles, shows them his wounds (these serve to identify him as the same one who died), and bestows peace on them. Then he inaugurates the mission of the Church. This mission is the exact same mission he received from the Father (a mission accomplished by his death and resurrection): the reconciliation of people with the Father, through the forgiveness of sins. To carry out their mission he gives them the gift of the Spirit and the power to forgive sin. Catholics see this as justifying the sacrament of reconciliation. But the power over sin is exercised first in baptism and also in the Eucharist, after the resurrection (Mt28:17;Lk24:37-38;Mk16:14). But John dramatizes that doubt in an individual. Paradoxically, however, from the lips of this 'doubting Thomas' comes the highest profession of faith in all of the Gospels: 'My Lord and my God.' Writing for a generation that has not 'seen' the Lord, the evangelist adds the comment: 'Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

**WISHING YOU ALL A HAPPY FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY.
PRAYERS AND LOVE FROM YOUR PARISH PRIESTS.
GOD BLESS YOU ALL.**

Readings for Second Sunday of Easter Year B (Divine Mercy) 11th April 2021

First reading:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. 4: 32-35
The whole group was united, heart and soul.

Responsorial Psalm: 117

Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'
Let the sons of Aaron say:
'His love has no end,'
Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.'

I was thrust, thrust down and falling
but the Lord was my helper.
The Lord is my strength and my song;
he was my saviour.
There are shouts of joy and victory
in the tents of the Lord;
We rejoice and are glad.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad.



Second reading:

A reading from the first letter of 1 John. 5: 1-6
Anyone begotten by God has already overcome the world

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!



Gospel:

A reading from the Holy Gospel
according to John. 20:19-31

After eight days,

Jesus came in and stood among them.

Readers for next week Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th April 2021

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Tatupu Vaalepu	1. Veronica Hagar 2. Lily Ulberg	Lois Armiger Pauline Calvert
8.30am	Paul Lovett	1. Grace Tu'inukuafe 2. Glen Hill	Su'a Tagalao Cheryl Peters
10.00am	Su'e Leavasa Tapu	1. Peta Sefo 2. Kalala Soolo	Tatupu Vaalepu Eseta Oloa

**Extra-Ordinary Ministers for next week
Saturday 10th March and Sunday 11th April 2021**

6.00pm	Don & Colleen Hodges
8.30am	Hulu Tu'inukuafe, Katarina Lovett
10.00am	Malia Fuga, Elaine Williams, Faumuina Lio

Readers for next week Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th April 2021

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	David Hagar	1. Joseph Tuipulotu 2. Ane Enosi	Tatupu Vaalepu Veronica Hagar
8.30am	Fiesola Pifeleti	1. Hulu Tu'inukuafe 2. Susitina Tu'inukuafe	Glen Hill Grace Tu'inukuafe
10.00am	Eseta Oloa	1. Su'a Tagalao 2. Selesitina Taamale	Iufita Sefo Malia Apikotoa

**Extra-Ordinary Ministers for next week
Saturday 17th March and Sunday 18th April 2021**

6.00pm	Tonga Enosi, Tony Atonio
8.30am	Limpia Britto, Paul Lovett
10.00am	Stan & Melanie Duarte, Imeleta Kelemete

Anniversaries for the coming week 12th to the 18th April

12. Coral Mary Millicent Terry (1981), Rudolph Grant (1999)
Joan Doreen Ashman (2009)
13. Mary Josephine Berry (2003)
14. Siale Hola (1977), Thomas Patrick Monaghan (1980),
Kevin Joseph Doherty (2003), Ermaline Fernandez,
15. Peter Aloysius Anzac Brody (1986), Patrick Joseph Keir (1999),
Josephine Catherine Loach (2000), Theresia Neumann (2007),
Fr Tony Cleary, Estrelita Reyes Andutan
16. Peggy Margaret Monaghan (1995), Naea Dito Bourke (2001),
Lydia Ferrao Joyce Philomena Johnson (2020)
17. Lesley Kelly, Cyril Crisp, Tago Sefo loane (2001), Aileen Mary Brown (2014),
Geoffrey Stuart Harris (2009).
18. Charles Duffy (1996)

Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00
Holy Thursday collection \$254.00 Good Friday collection \$759.20
Easter Vigil & Sunday collections was \$2170.20

Readings for Next Week (18/04/21)

Third Sunday of Easter Year B

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 3: 13-15,17-19

Psalm: 5

2nd Reading: 1 John 2:1-5

Gospel: Luke 24: 35-48

Anniversaries of Deaths: If you wish the deceased members of your family to be mentioned in the Sunday bulletin, please supply details the week before.

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Monday—Friday, 9:00am to 3:00pm

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