

PARISH NOTICES

Happiest 1st birthday to **Selina Hufanga** who celebrated on Tuesday 25th April. May the Good Lord keep and watch over you always **Selina**. Ofa lahi atu!

Happy birthday to **Petelo Vainikolo** who also celebrated his 82nd birthday on Tuesday 25th April. Thank you for your strong faith **Petelo**. Wishing you God's blessings always. Ofa lahi atu!

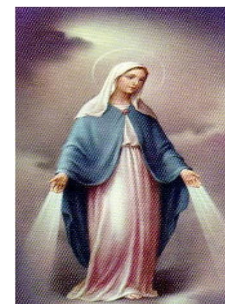
Birthday greetings going out to our **Dylinne Muller** who celebrated her special day on Thursday 27th April. May the Good Lord bless you abundantly in everything you do. Alofa tele atu!

1. **Adorations this Sunday 30th April 2023 is CANCELLED.**
2. **Multicultural Mass** and **Farewell for Fr Vijay Kumar** who's returning to India this Sunday the 30th April after the 10am Mass in the Parish Hall. Please come along, to show our love and appreciation for the past 7 years that Fr Vijay served as our assistant parish priest. All communities, groups and committees are more than welcome to perform an item. Please as the norm, Bring a plate to share!
3. **St Joseph Feast Day Mass & Lunch.** Sunday 7th May at 10.00am. **OLOTA Parish Choir**, will be hosting the lunch and wishes to extend the invitation to all our parishioners to join in the celebrations.
4. **We continue to 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. **Kairos New Zealand** are hosting our Annual 'GetSet' retreat at Houghtons Bush Camp, Muriwai, from Friday 28 April 2023 6 pm onwards to Sunday 30 April 2023 2.45 pm. We invite all young adults aged 18-35 years to attend. The Theme for the weekend is 'Salt & Light' Mathew 5:13-16. To register visit <https://tinyurl.com/GetSet2023>. For further information email getset.auckland@gmail.com or contact Karyn Coutinho at 021806855.
2. **Notices from Tiupounamu Study & Joy Mary in the Scriptures** with Kieran Fenn fms. Mondays, 19/26 June & 03/10 July, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Free. Donation/Koha welcome. <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/04/25/mary-in-the-scriptures/> **YouTube Recordings** Muffin Talk radio programmes are available online at: <https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/> For more information: www.studyjoy.nz
3. **JOSHUA CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP - NORTH SHORE** - The next meeting is on Wed 26 April at 7.30pm at St Josephs Centre, Takapuna. All men are invited and we hope to see you there. For more information please contact: Russell at 022 034 5678.
4. **International Jazz Day Concert with Fr Chris Skinner sm** Mary MacKillop Chapel, Mission Bay 30 April 2pm. Suggested Koha \$10
5. If you are able to volunteer 2 hours per week and willing to **train as Marriage Educators**, then you are just the married couple we are looking for to join our Marriage Educators Team. We are looking for couples married for more than five years with strong Catholic faith to journey with couples preparing for marriage. We are especially interested in couples fluent in English or Māori, Samoan, Tongan, Mandarin, French or Spanish. For more information contact gerrys@cda.org.nz
6. **University Ministry Coordinator – Catholic Diocese of Auckland** Are you a self-motivated relationship-builder who can be the driving force behind a new project? We're looking for someone who answers "Yes!" to become our full-time University Ministry Coordinator. You'll be part of a tight-knit team implementing a bold new strategy for ministry to young people in the Diocese of Auckland. For more information, please visit: www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/
7. **Local Youth Ministry and Administration Support – Catholic Diocese of Auckland** Are you a self-motivated relationship-builder who wants to make a meaningful positive impact in the lives of young people? The Diocese of Auckland want someone to join our in the role of Local Ministry and Administration Support. You'll be part of a tight-knit team implementing a bold new strategy for ministry to young people in the Diocese of Auckland. For more information, please visit: www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/
8. **Our Lady Star of the Sea Howick Parish & School** are celebrating **175 years of history** Friday 11th to Tuesday 15th August 2023 More details via our parish website: www.howickcatholic.org.nz

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION



**"I CAME
THAT YOU
MAY HAVE
LIFE"**

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR A 30TH APRIL 2023

Daily Morning Eucharist:	Monday - Friday 7.30am
Daily Evening Eucharist:	Tuesday - Thursday 7.00pm
First Friday Eucharist:	7.30am and also at 7.00pm
Saturday Eucharist:	8.00am and Vigil 6.00pm
Sunday Eucharist:	8.30am & 10.00am
Public Holidays:	8.00am, no evening Mass
Adoration:	Sunday 5.00pm-5.45pm
Tongan Mass:	2nd Sunday of every month at 12.00pm
Samoan Mass:	3rd Sunday of every month at 11.30am
Youth Mass:	4th Sunday of every month at 10.00am
Reconciliation:	Every Sat at 8.30am-9.00am and 5.00pm-5.30pm
Samoan Divine Mercy prayer meetings:	Every 1st, 3rd & 4th Mondays at 12noon-2.00pm
The Legion of Mary prayer meeting:	Every Tuesday from 7.35pm-9.00pm (Pavilion)

Reflection

(Acts 2:14.36-41). This is the conclusion of Peter's sermon in the Jews assembled in Jerusalem for the feast of Pentecost. The first paragraph gives in a nutshell what the whole sermon is about. Jesus whom they crucified has, by his resurrection, been constituted Lord and Christ. The purpose of the sermon was to make them realise what they had done to Jesus, with a view to getting them to repent and be baptized.

(1 Pet 2:20-25). Addressing slaves, Peter urges them to bear their unjust sufferings with patience as Christ, the Good Shepherd, bore his sufferings for love of us. Slavery was a fact of life in New Testament times. The New Testament writers do not, as might have been expected, lead a campaign against it. Even if they had wanted to do so, they must have been aware that such a stance could only be judged subversive and would jeopardise the tenuous foothold Christianity was gaining in the world of the day. Peter's words have a wider application. He singled out slaves only because their burden of suffering was heavier than that of others. Suffering is the lot of all Christians. Christ, the shepherd and guardian of our souls, is the one who gets us through it.

(Jn 10:1-10). Jesus presents himself as the shepherd of God's flock. The sheepfold was a walled enclosure in a field. At night the sheep of various shepherds were gathered there. There was a gate and a guard. In the morning the shepherds came in by the gate and led their own sheep to pasture. Unlike some other shepherds who come only to steal the sheep, Jesus has come that the sheep may have abundant life. He leads his sheep out and goes before them as their guide. He calls each by name: there is a close, personal relationship between each Christian and Jesus. Jesus also describes himself as the gate of the sheepfold. Through him Christians have access to God and the life of God. The image of a caring shepherd is a challenge to all who hold pastoral office.

Readings for The Fourth Sunday of Easter 30th April 2023

First reading: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. 2:14,36-41
God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ!

Responsorial Psalm: 22

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
 He makes me lie down in green pastures;
 he leads me besides still waters; he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.
 Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
 I fear no evil; for you are with me;
 your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me
 in the presence of my enemies;
 you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
 all the days of my life,
 and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.



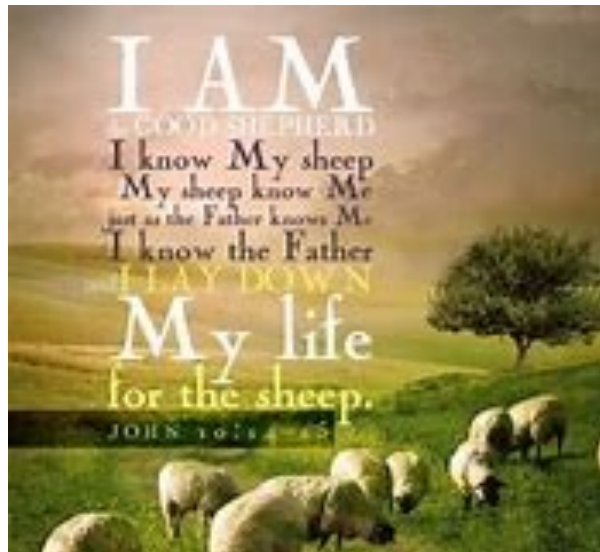
First reading: A reading from the first letter of St Peter. 2:20-25
You had gone astray but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls!

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and mine know me.

Alleluia!



Gospel:

A reading from the
 Holy Gospel
 according to
 John. 10:1-10
*I am the gate
 of the sheepfold!*

Readers for this week: Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th April 2023

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Assumption Ilalio	1. Veronica Hagar 2. Therese Ulberg	Pauline Calvert Tatupu Vaalepu
8.30am	Glen Hill	1. Susitina Tu'inukuafe 2. Lily Ulberg	Cheryl Peters Hulu Tu'inukuafe
10.00am	Eseta Oloa	1. Dina Moschino (Italian) 2. Melanie Duarte (Afrikanns)	

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th April 2023

6.00pm	Don & Colleen Hodges
8.30am	Su'a Tagalao, Grace Tu'inukuafe
10.00am	Inoke Kata, Stan Duarte, Tonga Enosi

Readers for next week Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th May 2023

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Tatupu Vaalepu	1. Lily Ulberg 2. Pauline Calvert	Therese Ulberg Veronica Hagar
8.30am	Glen Hill	1. Cheryl Peters 2. Susitina Tu'inukuafe	Grace Tu'inukuafe Fiesola Pifeleti
10.00am	Lisa Schaumkel	1. Lonili Sangster 2. Iutita Sefo	Malia Apikotoa Eseta Oloa

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for next week Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th May 2023

6.00pm	David Hagar, Assumption Ilalio
8.30am	Hulu Tu'inukuafe, Su'a Tagalao
10.00am	Tonga Enosi, Inoke Kata, Stan Duarte

Anniversaries for the coming week 1st - 7th May

1. John William Henry Doherty (1955)
2. Isabella Moira Swann (1997)
3. Edward Joseph Doherty (1981)
4. Albert Treanor (2000), Kate Hrstich (2004)
5. John Lambert McCarthy (1979), Albert Octavus Heslop (1980), Michael Ashman (2003)
6. Shannon John Ross Boggs (1995), Iulio Kelemete (2017)
7. Martin George Franklin (1990), Edward Gerald Edwards (2003); Wilfredo Reganit (2002), Lusiola Tongavua Tatafu (2017)

**Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00
 Collections: \$2428.20**

Readings for Next Week (7/05/23)

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 6:1-7
 Psalm: 23
 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9
 Gospel: John. 14:1-12

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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