

PARISH NOTICES

Happy birthday to dear **Fr Tino** who celebrated his 35th birthday on Thursday 11th May. May God keep and bless you always dear father. Alofa tele atu!

Parish Choir, wishes to convey their thanks to our Faith Family who joined in the celebrations last Sunday for the blessing of their patron Saint Joseph's statue. Thank you to our Tongan choir for their participation at Mass, which made it even more special. God bless you all!

1. **Adorations** this **Sunday 14th May 2023** will be at its usual time of 5.00pm.
2. Gentle reminder to all groups, communities and committees to please submit your reports to the office ahead of time for our AGM on the 28th May 2023.
3. **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. **Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy Mary in the Scriptures** with Kieran Fenn fms. Mondays, 19/26 June & 03/10 July, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Fee: free. Donation/Koha appreciated. <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/04/25/mary-in-the-scriptures/> **Focus on Target - Draw Fresh Momentum** with Laetitia Puthenpadath Tuesdays, 27 June & 04/11/18 July, 12.30-1.30pm. ZOOM. Fee: \$20/session or \$70/4 sessions. <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/01/11/focus-on-target-draw-fresh-momentum/> For more information: www.studyjoy.nz
2. At Family Life Catholic Gifts, we have many lovely Marian gifts to honour the Blessed Mother in this the Month of May, the month of Mary. We have Rosaries, Statues, Books, etc. as well as beautiful Sacramentals for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Come and visit us at 569 Richardson Road, Mt Roskill or online at www.catholicgifts.co.nz. Phone (09)6290820. All proceeds from sales support our life-saving work with Education, Mums and Babies and St Gianna's Home.
3. 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
4. **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/

5. 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/

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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**“ALL
WHO LOVE ME
WILL KEEP MY
WORDS.”**

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR A 14TH MAY 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

Now that we are in the latter part of the Easter season, the attention shifts from the resurrection appearances to the continued presence of the glorified Christ with his Church through the Spirit.

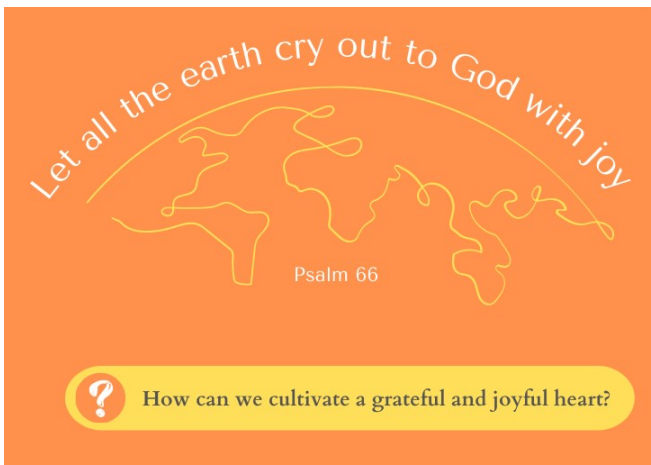
This is the connection between the First Reading and the Gospel.

(Acts 8:5-8.14-17). Luke marks each stage of the spread of the Gospel with a 'Pentecost'.

The Gospel was preached in Samaria by Philip, one of the seven deacons, with marked success. Our reading describes a Samaritan Pentecost. It tells of the joy and enthusiasm with which the Samaritans received the Gospel. The statement that the Samaritan converts, baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus, had not received the Holy Spirit has puzzled many. The explanation lies in the fact that Luke required that each new stage in the growth of the community had to be authenticated by an official representative of the Church. Here Peter and John put their stamp of approval on the work of Philip. It doesn't mean that the Spirit is bestowed only in a 'second baptism'.

(1 Pet 3:15-18). Peter encourages Christians to remain steadfast under pressure in their attachment to Christ. The Christian way of life is to be defended but this should be done with courtesy and respect. Their good lives will be the best way to counter false accusations. If they suffer for doing good, they should remember that Jesus, though innocent, suffered and died to lead us to God.

(Jn 14:15-21). This is part of Jesus' farewell discourse. Loving Jesus means listening to his word and putting it into practice. To those who respond in this way he promises the gift of the Spirit. Jesus will not leave his disciples orphaned. By their faith, they will be able to 'see' him and share in his life and in the life of the Father. From this we learn that we cannot claim to be one with Jesus, and to be living according to the Spirit, unless we observe his commands in our lives.



Readings for The Sixth Sunday of Easter 14th May 2023

First reading: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. 8:5-8,14-17

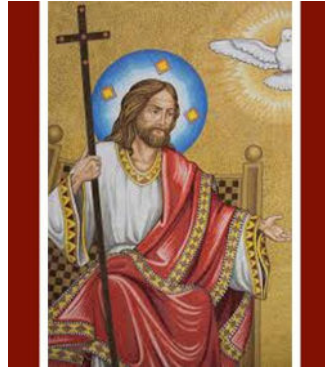
They laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit!

Responsorial Psalm: 65

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!
sing the glory of his name;
give to him glorious praise.
Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"

"All the earth worships you;
they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name."
Come and see what God has done;
he is awesome in his deeds among the children of Adam.
He turned the sea into dry land;
they passed through the river on foot.
There was rejoiced in him.
who rules by his might forever.

Come and hear, all you who fear God,
and I will tell what he has done for me.
Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer
or removed his steadfast love from me.



First reading: A reading from the first letter of St Peter. 3:15-18

In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life!

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my word,
and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.

Alleluia!



Gospel:

A reading from the
Holy Gospel
according to
John. 14:15-21

*I shall ask the Father
and he will give
you another
Advocate!*

Readers for this week: Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th May 2023

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Therese Ulberg	1. Assumption Ilalio 2. Veronica Hagar	Tatupu Vaalepu Pauline Calvert
8.30am	Grace Tu'inukuafe	1. Su'a Tagaloa 2. Lily Ulberg	Susitina Tu'inukuafe Cheryl Peters
10.00am	Petrina Fuga	1. Selesitina Taamale 2. Su'e Tapu	Peta Sefo Tafaomalalo Leavasa

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th May 2023

6.00pm	Don & Colleen Hodges
8.30am	Glen Hill, Amanda Peters
10.00am	Faumuina Lio, Stan & Melanie Duarte

Readers for next week Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st May 2023

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Lily Ulberg	1. Tatupu Vaalepu 2. Ane Enosi	Therese Ulberg Veronica Hagar
8.30am	Fiesola Pifeleti	1. Joshy Thomas Jose 2. Savelina Mahoni	Hulu Tu'inukuafe Glen Hill
10.00am	Eseta Oloa	1. Peta Sefo 2. Lisa Schaumkel	Selesitina Taamale Tatupu Vaalepu

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for next week Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st May 2023

6.00pm	Tonga Enosi, David Hagar
8.30am	Grace Tu'inukuafe, Amanda Peters
10.00am	Faumuina Lio, Inoke Kata, Loselika Laumea

Anniversaries for the coming week 15th - 21st May

15. William John Murphy (1978), Henry James Foster (1981), Roy Smith (1983), Carl Henry Thomson (1989), Ellen Catherine Stewart (1994)
16. Trevor Francis McCarthy (1975), Hugh Garald Treanor (1980)
17. William Patrick Derig (1995)
18. Vincent Richard Silich (1976), Jessie Helen Cox (1981), Petelo Kiteau Tatafu (2015), Gladys Winifred Tooman (2004), Tuione Muller, Robert Muller
19. Mary Hoffman (1977), Marie Rose Kelly (1985), Margaret Spooner (1996), David John Harris (1994)
20. Elsie Griffin (1976), Felipe Pairat (1985)
21. John Francis Smith (1994), Theodore John Hogan (1995), Gwendoline Margaret Keegan (1995), Frances Paeu (Fafo) (2011)

**Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00
Collections: \$1574.90**

Readings for Next Week (21/05/23)

Ascension of the Lord
1st Reading: Acts 1:1-11
Psalm: 47
2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23
Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

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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