

## PARISH NOTICES

1. **Faith Formation Committee** - meeting Tuesday 23rd September 6.30pm in the meeting room.
2. **Parish Working Bee.** As part of coming together in faith and service, we invite all parishioners to join our Parish Working Bee on Saturday 27 September. We'll be cleaning and freshening up the hall, church, and presbytery. "Join the buzz — let's get our parish sparkling". 🍃 "Let's put our Faith in action, one sweep at a time." **Meet at the church hall. Starting at 9:00am** Bring along gloves, cleaning supplies, and your helping hands. Many hands make light work!
3. **The Great Gatsby Corporate Fundraising Dinner - Saturday 11th October.** **Ticket sales and payments close: on Saturday 26th September 2025.** Don't miss out on a great night for a great cause and your chance to take home an amazing prize!
4. **OCTOBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY - Eucharistic Adoration will be lead by the following groups**
  - **Sunday 5th** – Young People of OLOTA
  - **Sunday 12th** – Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers & Altar Servers
    - **Sunday 19th** – All Choirs & Devotional Groups
    - **Sunday 26th** – PPC Council Members

Also, on **Sunday 26th**, training will be held for all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (Pastoral Care of the Sick) immediately after Adoration.
5. Thank you all for your generosity for your continual giving of dried goods. **YES** we are still collecting and distributing - while the need is there, we will continue.

## DIOCESE NOTICES

1. Introduction to the **Wings.Nga Parirau Faith Formation Programme.** This introduction session will be held at the St Mark's Parish Centre, 334 Pakuranga Road, Pakuranga. **Saturday 27th September 10:00am - 12:00pm.** All are welcome.
2. **A Retreat for Young Men (18-30).** A Time to Focus. An opportunity for a weekend of prayer, reflection and learning some practices for discernment. Franciscan Friary, Friday 7pm 28th November - Sunday 4pm 30th November. Led by Frs. Frank Bird, Phil Bennenbroek and Chris Skinner SM. Limited to 15 places. Register early. Share with anyone who may be interested. For more information contact Fr Frank Bird [francisbird@gmail.com](mailto:francisbird@gmail.com) 021 597080.
3. Join us for this special time of **FORMATION and ENCOUNTER at...CALLED to LEAD - A weekend Retreat for All Men!** When : 7pm Fri 10 Oct to 3pm Sun 12 Oct Venue: Chosen Valley Christian Camp, Ararimu , Auckland Retreat Director: Mike Lobo, Attending Priest: Fr Carl Telford SM, Keynote Speaker: Bill McElhinney Praise and Worship: Jeffery Nathan and Peoples Worship Ministry Cost: \$175pp includes GREAT FOOD and Accommodation. <https://menforchrist.wufoo.com/forms/called-to-lead>
4. **Taste the World, Celebrate the Culture!** 20 – 21 Sept 2025  
Saturday 20th Food stalls, discover dishes from around the globe. Concert from 9am concert begins 1.30pm @ Sancta Maria College Sunday 21st Sept Mass 1 pm @ St Luke Church Flatbush with Bishop Steve Join us at the Migrant Chaplaincy *Rise Up & Shine Jubilee Festival*, where every bite tells a story and every dance sparks joy. Want to hold a stall – contact [louisar@cda.org.nz](mailto:louisar@cda.org.nz)




**Wings.Nga Parirau**

Introduction to the Catholic Faith Formation Programme


St Mark's Parish Centre  
334 Pakuranga Road  
Pakuranga  
Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September  
10:00am - 12:00pm

To register contact Dianna Fouhy  
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Season of Creation  
*Laudato Si*  
"Praise be to you my Lord"




**Pope Francis speaks to us still through his letters.**



Ponder Pope Francis' words on Zoom Fridays 7 - 7.40pm

September 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and October 3<sup>rd</sup>

contact Dianna , [diannaf@cda.org.nz](mailto:diannaf@cda.org.nz)  
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# OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION



**“YOU CANNOT SERVE GOD AND WEALTH!”**

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## THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025

<b>Daily Morning Eucharist:</b>	Monday - Friday 7.30am
<b>Daily Evening Eucharist:</b>	<b>Suspended</b> until further notice
<b>First Friday Evening:</b>	<b>Lectio Divina</b> 6.30pm-7.30pm
<b>Saturday Eucharist:</b>	8.00am and Vigil 6.00pm
<b>Sunday Eucharist:</b>	8.30am & 10.00am
<b>Public Holidays:</b>	8.00am, <b>no evening Mass</b>
<b>Adoration:</b>	Sundays 5.00pm-5.45pm
<b>Tongan Mass:</b>	2nd Sunday of every month at 12.00pm
<b>Samoan Mass:</b>	5th Sunday of every month at 11.30am
<b>Youth Mass:</b>	4th Sunday of every month at 10.00am
<b>Reconciliation:</b>	Every Saturday at 8.30am-9.00am and 5.00pm-5.30pm
<b>Samoan Divine Mercy prayer meetings:</b>	Every 1st, 3rd & 4th Mondays at 12noon-2.00pm
<b>The Legion of Mary prayer meeting:</b>	Every Thursday at 7.00pm ( <b>Pavilion</b> )

## Reflection

**SLAVES OF GOD OR MONEY?** The Christian community must contribute to the welfare of the broader human society. We have a duty to pray for civil leaders and to act justly in our places of work. We must do what we can to ensure that the institutions of our society are devoted to the well-being of all citizens. If we ourselves are devoted to God and not to money, we will bring great riches to our society.

**(Amos 8:4-7).** Amos condemned the separation of worship from the proper treatment of other people. A great champion of social justice, he savagely condemned the oppression of the poor, as well as the judicial system that denied them any hope of obtaining justice. In our reading he depicts the greed of the wealthy, who can't wait for the holy days to be over so that they can get back to making money by dishonest practices. He threatens them with divine judgement.

**(Lk 16:1-13).** The Bible doesn't always give us examples to be imitated. At times it gives us examples to be learned from painfully. The servant in Jesus' story is one of the latter. The astute but dishonest steward is brought forward to teach Christians the wise use of money. Here Jesus stresses the impossibility of any compromise between God and Mammon. For Luke to use money wisely is to give it to the poor, and thus ensure one's eternal salvation.

**(1 Tim 2:1-8).** God wants everyone to be saved, and to come to the knowledge of the truth. Christ, our mediator, gave himself as a ransom for all. Therefore, we should pray for everyone, but especially for those who bear the responsibility of public office. (We do so regularly in the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass).

*Flor McCarthy SDB*



Traditional Prayer



Family Prayer



Praying Together

**Readings for the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Year C 21st September 2025**

**First reading:**

A reading from the book of the Prophet Amos. 8: 4-7  
*The Lord's word against those who buy the poor for silver.*

**Responsorial Psalm:** 113: 1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (R. 1a, 7a)

**R: Praise the Lord who lifts up the needy.**

Praise, O servants of the Lord,  
 praise the name of the Lord.  
 Blessed be the name of the Lord  
 from this time on and forevermore. **R.**

The Lord is high above all nations,  
 and his glory above the heavens.  
 Who is like the Lord our God, who is seated on high,  
 who looks far down on the heavens and the earth? **R.**

The Lord raises the poor from the dust,  
 and lifts the needy from the ash heap,  
 to make them sit with princes,  
 with the princes of his people. **R.**

**Second reading:**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy. 2: 1-7

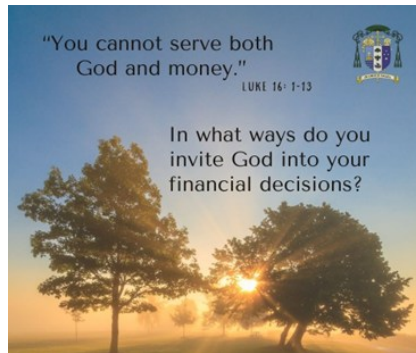
*Let prayer be offered to God for all;  
 to God who desires all men to be saved!*

**Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Though Jesus Christ was rich, yet he became poor,  
 so that by his poverty you might become rich.

**Alleluia!**



**Gospel:**

A reading from the Holy Gospel  
 according to Luke. 16: 1-13

***You cannot serve God  
 and wealth!***

**The Jubilee Prayer**

Father in heaven,

may the **faith** you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
 and the flame of **charity** enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
 reawaken in us the blessed **hope** for the coming of your kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
 May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos,  
 in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth,  
 when, with the powers of Evil vanquished your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, **Pilgrims of hope**,  
 a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
 throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

**Amen.**



**Readers for this week Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st September 2025**

	<b>Commentator</b>	<b>Readers</b>	<b>Reserves</b>
<b>6.00pm</b>	Ane Enosi	1. Lily Ulberg 2. Assumption Ilialo	Colleen Hodges Veronica Hagar
<b>8.30am</b>	Su'a Tagalao	1. Sharlene Havea 2. Selesitina Taamale	Fiesola Pifeleti Susitina Tu'inukuafe
<b>10.00am</b>	Dilynne Muller	1. Su'e Tapu 2. Tatupu Vaalepu	Eseta Oloa Petrina Fuga

**Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week**  
**Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st September 2025**

**6.00pm** David Hagar, Colleen & Don Hodges, Tonga Enosi, Diana-Marie Ulberg  
**8.30am** Johndell Ubido, Su'a Tagalao, Kalevina Su'a, Glen Hill, Susitina Tu'inukuafe  
**10.00am** Cory Apikotoa, Eseta Oloa, Fusi Mataele, Lutita Sefo, Inoke Kata

**Readers for next week Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th September 2025**

	<b>Commentator</b>	<b>Readers</b>	<b>Reserves</b>
<b>6.00pm</b>	Vincent George	1. Tatupu Vaalepu 2. Therese Ulberg	Assumption Ilialo Lily Ulberg
<b>8.30am</b>	Sylvia Paul	1. Dominic Paul 2. Savelina Mahoni	Sharlene Havea Selesitina Taamale
<b>10.00am</b>	Iutita Sefo	1. Fusi Mataele 2. Malia Apikotoa	Tatupu Vaalepu Ana Lauaki

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**8.30am** Su'a Tagalao, Kalevina Su'a, Glen Hill, Susitina Tu'inukuafe, Johndell Ubido,  
**10.00am** Tonga Enosi, Soane Ahovalo, Malia Tuipulotu, Michaela Duarte, Inoke Kata

**Anniversaries for the coming week 22nd to the 28th September**

- 22. Ernest Philip Begbie (1980), Francis Ward Roughton (1982)
- 23. Lu Yarwood (1979), John Alfred Bower Sinclair (2004)
- 24. Alfred Edward (Chatcuti) Kemp (1983), Lily Haggie (1987), Santan Rumao (1998), Rogerio Silva (2012), Tuneo Mafi (2015),
- 25. Patrick Doyle (1979), Mary Joan Maung (1990), George Kao Neatikao (1993), Hilda Sylvia Duffy (1993) Maxy Anthony Goveas (2013), Fr John Griffin (2014), Faialofa Siaoosi (2015)
- 26. Ivy Zenobia Fyfe (1975), Phyllis Hughes (2003)
- 27. Cecilio Cagasan (1990)
- 28. Dermott Joseph Williams (1980), Mary Armiger (2001)

**Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00**  
**Last Sunday's collection \$2060.70**

**Readings for Next Week (28/09/25)**  
**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C**  
 1st Reading: Amos 6:1.4-7  
 Psalm: 146  
 2nd Reading: 1Timothy 6:11-16  
 Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

**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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