

PARISH NOTICES

- 1. Parish Pastoral Council** - meeting Tuesday 2nd September 6.30pm in the meeting room.
- 2. RCIA programme** will begin on Thursday the 4th September 2025 at 6.30pm, meeting room. This programme is offered to those who would like to become a Catholic by receiving the Sacraments of Initiation, namely Baptism, Reconciliation, Holy Communion & Confirmation. To register for this programme, please contact Therese at our parish office at contact details shown in this newsletter. Thank you.

✦ SAVE THE DATE – The Great Gatsby Corporate Fundraising Dinner ✦

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION FUNDRAISING EVENT
THE GREAT GATSBY BALL
 DINNER | DANCING | AUCTION | SPOT PRIZES
RESTORATION OF OUR CHURCH
 ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS THE UPKEEP & MAINTENANCE OF OUR CHURCH

\$120 PER TICKET

- FORMAL DRESS
- TABLE OF TEN AVAILABLE (ON REQUEST)
- BYO ALCOHOL (DRINK RESPONSIBLY)
- BUFFET DINNER
- 18+ EVENT
- NO DOOR SALES

CASH, EFTPOS & BANK TRANSFER ACCEPTED
 BANK ACCOUNT: 02-010R-0766080-004
 ACCOUNT NAME: OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION, ONEHUNGA

IF UNABLE TO ATTEND, DONATIONS ARE WELCOME

SATURDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2025 | 7PM-11:30PM

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION, PARISH HALL
 130 CHURCH STREET ONEHUNGA

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT OUR MISSION, PLEASE CONTACT:
 Office email: assumptiononehunga@xtra.co.nz
 Office number: 09-320-4558

LIMITED TO 300 SEATS ONLY, DON'T MISS OUT!!!

We're excited to announce one of our major fundraising events for the upkeep of our heritage Catholic Church and future parish projects!

Saturday 11 October 2025
7:00 PM

Our Lady of the Assumption Church Hall

Tickets: \$120 per person | \$1,200 for a table of 10

Limited to 300 tickets – no door sales

Ticket sales close: Saturday 26 September 2025

Step back into the roaring 1920s for an unforgettable Great Gatsby-themed evening filled with elegance, entertainment, laughter, and community spirit—all for a great cause.

If you can't make it, donations are warmly welcome to help us preserve our beautiful church for generations to come.

For tickets or more information, contact the Church Office on (09) 3204558 or speak to any member of the Fundraising Committee.

Dress in your Gatsby best, and let's make this a night to remember! ✦ ✦

4. 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.

The Ecumenical Church Communities of Auckland
PEACE WITH CREATION
 SEASON OF CREATION 2025

Combined Ecumenical Prayer Service Event

Join Bishop Steve as he leads us in celebrating the Season of Creation

Wednesday 7th September 2025 7:00PM
 The Macouni Chapel, 18 Princes Street, Auckland

Scan QR for Registrations

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 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th and October 3rd

contact Dianna, dianna@cda.org.nz
 Faith Formation, Catholic Diocese Auckland

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION



"THE PROUD SHALL BE HUMBLLED; THE HUMBLE SHALL BE EXALTED!"

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THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 31ST AUGUST 2025

Daily Morning Eucharist:

Daily Evening Eucharist:

First Friday Evening:

Saturday Eucharist:

Sunday Eucharist:

Public Holidays:

Adoration:

Tongan Mass:

Samoan Mass:

Youth Mass:

Reconciliation:

Samoan Divine Mercy prayer meetings:

The Legion of Mary prayer meeting:

Monday - Friday 7.30am

Suspended until further notice

Lectio Divina 6.30pm-7.30pm

8.00am and Vigil 6.00pm

8.30am & 10.00am

8.00am, **no evening Mass**

Sundays 5.00pm-5.45pm

2nd Sunday of every month at 12.00pm

5th Sunday of every month at 11.30am

4th Sunday of every month at 10.00am

Every Saturday at 8.30am-9.00am and 5.00pm-5.30pm

Every 1st, 3rd & 4th Mondays at 12noon-2.00pm

Every Thursday at 7.00pm (**Pavilion**)

Reflection

Sir 3:17-20, 28-29). The author praises the person who is humble. A humble person is conscious of his own weakness, and never rejects wisdom, no matter where it comes from. Such a person will find favour with God and with his friends and neighbours. Pride raises a barrier to God's graciousness and to communion with our fellows.

This ties in with the Gospel where the key phrase is: 'Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.'

(Lk 14:1, 7-14). Jesus criticises those who thrust themselves forward, and who engineer their way to the top. That's not the way to gain honour in the kingdom. Honour in the kingdom comes from the host, not from the guest. God confers honour on those who are humble. If we want to know the quality of our love, all we have to do is look at the kind of people with whom we share it. Those who act out of motives of self-interest will receive no reward from God. But those who act from motives of disinterested charity will receive a reward at the resurrection. Here we also see Luke's concern for the poor and the afflicted.

(Heb 12:18-19, 22-24). This contrasts Mount Sinai, where the old covenant was made, and Mount Zion, which stands for the heavenly Jerusalem - goal of the Christian's pilgrimage. The author speaks of those who are still on their journey to heaven, and yet, because they already possess in an anticipatory way the good things to come, he can speak of them as having already arrived.

Flor McCarthy SDB



Traditional Prayer



Family Prayer



Praying Together

**Readings for the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C 31st August 2025**

First reading:

A reading from the book of Sirach. 3: 17-20, 28-29
Humble yourself, so you will find favour in the sight of the Lord!

Responsorial Psalm: 68: 3-4,5-6a,9-10 (R10)

R: In your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.

Let the righteous be joyful; let them exult before God;
let them be jubilant with joy.
Sing to God, sing praises to his name; his name is the Lord,
be exultant before him. **R.**

Father of orphans and protector of widows
is God in his holy habitation.
God gives the desolate a home to live in;
he leads out the prisoners to prosperity. **R.**

Rain in abundances, O God, you showered abroad;
you restored your heritage when it languished;
your flock found a dwelling in it; in your goodness, O God,
you provided for the needy. **R.**



Second reading:

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews. 12: 18-19, 22-24a
You have come to Mount Zion, to the city of the living God!

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me,
for I am gentle and humble in heart.
Alleluia!

Gospel:

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke. 14: 1, 7-14
Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted!

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 30th and Sunday 31st August 2025

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Angel Taamale	1. Therese Ulberg 2. Assumption Ilalio	Diana-Marie Ulberg Veronica Hagar
8.30am	Sylvia Paul	1. Dominic Paul 2. Petrina Fuga	Lily Ulberg Fuailaelagi Lima
10.00am		1. MULTICULTURAL 2. MASS	

**Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week
Saturday 30th and Sunday 31st August 2025**

6.00pm	David Hagar, Don & Colleen Hodges, Tatupu Vaalepu, Selesitina Taamale
8.30am	Glen Hill, Su'a Tagalao, Kalevina Su'a, Amanda Peters, Johndell Ubido
10.00am	Iutita Sefo, Peter Rawson, Fusi Mataale, Cory Apikotoa, Su'e Tapu

Readers for next week Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th September 2025

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Vincent George	1. Diana-Marie Ulberg 2. Pauline Calvert	Therese Ulberg Assumption Ilalio
8.30am	Sharlene Havea	1. Cheryl Peters 2. Glen Hill	Fuailaelagi Lima Dominic Paul
10.00am	Theresa Apikotoa	1. Uliafu Pifeleti 2. Iutita Sefo	Ana Lauaki Toma Lauaki

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10.00am	Tonga Enosi, Inoke Kata, Eseta Oloa, Michaela Duarte, Soane Ahovelero Jr

Anniversaries for the coming week 1st to the 7th September

1. Pita Pau (1989)
2. Honora Florence Baker (1980), Petelo Lavatai Fuatai (1988), Doreen Gabrielle Rentoul (2006)
3. Everal Jerome McNamara (1981), Gwendoline Kelly (1981), Katrina Mary Gunn (1989), Ada Veronica Gargan (1999), Selafino Teapa (2004)
4. Josephine Lucy King (1982), John Joyce (1982), Thomas William Walters (1988), Eva Syla Mitchell (1990)
5. June Victoria Kinene (1979), Elizabeth Tutu Rongokea (1986)
7. Patrick O'Halloran (1982), Elsie Vera Smith (1996)

**Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00
Last Sunday's collection \$2169.00**

**Readings for Next Week (07/09/25)
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C**
1st Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18
Psalm: 90
2nd Reading: Philemon 9:10.12-17
Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

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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