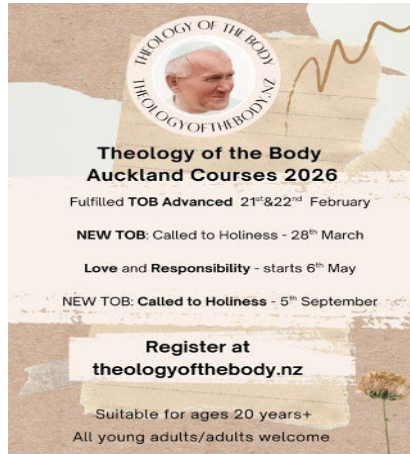
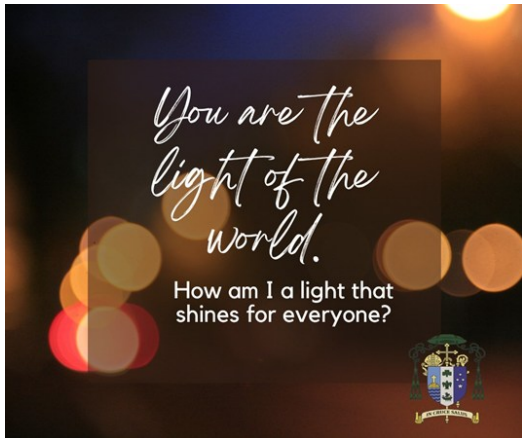


## PARISH NOTICES

1. **Adoration** - Resumes this Sunday the 8th February at it's usual time at 5pm.
2. **Liturgy Committee meeting** - this Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30pm in the meeting room.
3. Sacramental Programme for 2026 is now open for enrolments from the age of 8 years. Receiving the Sacrament of 1st Holy Communion will take place on Sunday 7th June 2026. (Corpus Christi) **Please contact Office at [assumptiononehunga@xtra.co.nz](mailto:assumptiononehunga@xtra.co.nz) Lisa on 0276252007 and Lonili on 02111375429 for an enrolment form.**
4. **Ash Wednesday**, 18th February, begins our six weeks of Lent to prepare for Easter. **Mass will be at 7.30am and 7pm.**
5. **Marriage Preparation** - introduction for marriage sessions will begin on the 3rd week of March 2026. Please contact Parish office at 090320-4558 or via email at [assumptiononehunga@xtra.co.nz](mailto:assumptiononehunga@xtra.co.nz) for a registration form.
6. Thank you all for your generosity in your continual giving of dried goods. **YES** we are still collecting and distributing - while the need is there, we will continue.

## DIOCESE NOTICES



1. **Theology of the Body - Registration OPEN for 2026**  
**Course 1: Fulfilled: The Promise of the Christian Life** looks deeply at the 'ache' of human longing and the hope of infinite bliss in Christ. Dates: **Sat 21 and Sun 22 Feb.**  
**Course 2: NEW Beginners TOB course – Called to Holiness - LIVE – 4-talk series. Sat 28 March (ONE DAY only)**  
All adults 20 years + are welcome. To register please visit: [theologyofthebody.nz](http://theologyofthebody.nz)
2. Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy  
**Franciscan Renaissance** with Patrick Carolan  
Monday, 16 February 2026, 7-8pm. Zoom (Koha/Donation).  
Register to receive the Zoom link: [www.studyjoy.nz/2026/01/08/franciscan-renaissance/](http://www.studyjoy.nz/2026/01/08/franciscan-renaissance/)  
**Muffin Talks 2025.** Snippets of interview recordings from 2025.  
[www.studyjoy.nz/2026/01/01/muffin-talk-2025/](http://www.studyjoy.nz/2026/01/01/muffin-talk-2025/) For more information: [www.studyjoy.nz](http://www.studyjoy.nz)
3. **Life Teen Aotearoa Leadership Convention | 13-15 March 2026 at Sacred Heart College Auckland.** THE BEST place to be trained, renewed and inspired for Catholic Youth Ministry. Whether you are new to ministry, or looking for the best practices to continue your ministry, this event is designed for you. Expect incredible keynotes from the Catholic speakers, practical breakout sessions, and in addition to practical, comprehensive training, you will experience community and personal spiritual renewal. Whether you are a priest, in parish leadership, youth minister, DRS, teacher, youth leader, college chaplain, or an interested parent, we are ready to serve and train you this year at Life Teen Aotearoa's 2026 Leadership Convention. Register NOW! Earlybird prices available until 9th March: <https://www.eventbookings.com/b/event/life-teen-aotearoa-leadership-convention>

# OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION



**“SALT OF THE EARTH AND LIGHT OF THE WORLD”**

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## THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A 8TH FEBRUARY 2026

**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

**LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!** We all have our special gifts, but sometimes we fail to recognise this. We may feel that we have little to offer others. That is never true. As Jesus says: 'You are the salt of the earth! You are the light of the world!' Let us ask Jesus to help us recognise our unique gifts and share them with others.

**(Is 58:7-10).** Isaiah has been talking about fasting. He tells the people that true fasting (and therefore true religion) is necessarily linked with the practice of justice and with concern for the poor and the needy. Here he assures them that if they follow this way their lives will become luminous. This is the connection with the Gospel.

**(Mt 5:13-16).** Matthew has already introduced Jesus as the light of a darkened world (4:12-16). Now the function of enlightening and guiding a morally confused humanity is shared with his disciples. Salt and light are powerful images. In the ancient world, salt was one of the most important necessities of life, especially for preserving and seasoning food. So too was light for obvious reasons. Both images are making the same point: Christians are called to bear witness to Christ before unbelievers through their good deeds. When the disciples stop witnessing through their deeds, they become as useless as salt that has lost its taste or a lamp that doesn't give light.

**(1 Cor 2:1-5).** Paul is at pains to convince the Corinthians that their fascination with worldly wisdom and rhetorical skills can only weaken their faith. He points to himself as an example. When he brought the Gospel to them, he didn't rely on human cleverness. He came in weakness, preaching a crucified (and risen) Christ, to show that their faith doesn't depend on human cleverness but on the power of God.

*Flor McCarthy SDB*

## Readings for The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 8th 2026

**First reading:**

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah. 58: 6-10  
*Your light shall break forth like the dawn!*

**Responsorial Psalm:** 112

**R: Light rises in the darkness for the upright.**

Light rises in the darkness for the upright:  
 gracious, merciful and righteous.  
 It is well with the person who deals generously and lends,  
 who conducts their affairs with justice. **R.**

For the righteous person will never be moved;  
 they will be remembered forever.

Unafraid of evil tidings;  
 their heart is firm, secure in the Lord. **R.**

That person's heart is steady and will not be afraid.  
 One who has distributed freely, who has given to the poor,  
 their righteousness endures forever:  
 their name is exalted in honour. **R.**

**Second reading:**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians. 2: 1-5  
*I proclaimed to you the mystery of Jesus Christ, and him crucified!*

**Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
 I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
 whoever follows me will have the light of life.  
**Alleluia!**

**Gospel:**

A reading from the  
 Holy Gospel according  
 to Matthew. 5: 13-16  
*You are the light of the world!*

***Dedication Prayer to Mother Mary.***

(Please turn and face the statue of Mother Mary before we recite the prayer)

Blessed Mother Mary, Queen Assumed into Heaven, we rejoice that after years of heroic martyrdom on earth, you have at last been taken to the throne prepared for you in heaven by the Holy Trinity.

We place our life, our joys, our sorrows, and our hopes into your gentle hands. Lift our hearts with you in the glory of your Assumption above the dreadful touch of sin and impurity.

Guide us with your wisdom and protect us with your mantle of peace. Teach us how small earth becomes when viewed from heaven. Make us realise that death is the triumphant gate through which we shall pass to your Son, and that someday our bodies shall re-join our souls in the unending bliss of heaven.

When our hour of death has come, lead us safely to the presence of Jesus to enjoy the vision of our God for all eternity together with you.

Amen.



### Readers for this week Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th February 2026

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
<b>6.00pm</b>	Dilynne Muller	1. Diana-Marie Ulberg 2. Assumption Ilalio	Veronica Hagar Pauline Calvert
<b>8.30am</b>	Glen Hill	1. Fiesola Pifeleti 2. Selesitina Taamale	Cheryl Peters Chiara Marie
<b>10.00am</b>	Tafaoimalo Leavasa	1. Su'e Tapu 2. Eseta Oloa	Iutita Sefo Ana Lauaki

### Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th February 2026

<b>6.00pm</b>	David Hagar, Don & Colleen Hodges, Lily Ulberg, Tatupu Vaalepu
<b>8.30am</b>	Su'a Tagaloa, Susitina Tu'inukuafe, Johndell Ubido, Kalevina Su'a, Glen Hill
<b>10.00am</b>	Peter Rawson, Robert Lemana, Iutita Sefo, Faumuina Lio, Loselika Laumea

### Readers for next week Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th February 2026

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
<b>6.00pm</b>	Vincent George	1. Veronica Hagar 2. Lily Ulberg	Diana-Marie Ulberg Angel Taamale
<b>8.30am</b>	Savelina Mahoni	1. Su'a Tagaloa 2. Susitina Tu'inukuafe	Fiesola Pifeleti Glen Hill
<b>10.00am</b>	Assumption Ilalio	1. Tatupu Vaalepu 2. Angel Taamale	Su'e Tapu Iutita Sefo

### Extra-Ordinary Ministers for next week Readers for next week Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th February 2026

<b>6.00pm</b>	David Hagar, Don & Colleen Hodges, Diana-Marie Ulberg, Therese Ulberg
<b>8.30am</b>	Johndell Ubido, Kalevina Su'a, Glen Hill, Robert Lemana, Selesitina Taamale
<b>10.00am</b>	Eseta Oloa, Peter Rawson, Inoke Kata, Iutita Sefo, Faumuina Lio

### Anniversaries for the coming week 9th to 15th February

- 9. Margaret Trainer (1986), Earl McFall (2012)
- 10. Anna Florence McLoughlin (1977), Henrietta Wilhemina Peterson (2003), Sulficia Salas Cagasan (2016)
- 11. Terence Thomas Henehan (1976), Annie Johansson (1981) Katherene Prasad (2022)
- 12.
- 13. Kathleen Agnes Howley (1977), Nancy May Matthews (1982), Sr Mary Snelgar (2011)
- 14. James Duffy (1980)
- 15. Mary Ellen Catherine Shepherd (1981), Roy Augustine Sammons (1984), Jens Christian Torstein Jensen (2002)

**Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00  
 Last Sunday's collection \$1923.60**

**Readings for Next Week (15/02/26)**  
**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A**  
 1st Reading: Esuc 15:15-20  
 Psalm: 119  
 2nd Reading: 1Corinthians 2:6-10  
 Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

**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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