

PARISH NOTICES

VISION & MISSION 2026 CORNER!

How can I exercise Charity at home?

April Week 2 (Mon 20th – Sun 26th)

Encourage and Affirm Others:

Offer sincere compliments or words of encouragement to family members, particularly when they are stressed or tired. Compliment them in their good qualities.

THE FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Annual Pledge – “Pledge a Bucket” May 2026

This year, we introduce our Annual Pledge — a new yearly appeal (separate from Sunday offertory) supporting the upkeep and painting of our church.

🪑 \$50 = 1 bucket of paint

How many buckets can you pledge?

📅 Throughout May (5 Sundays)

Ways to give:

✉ Pledge envelope - Cash (tax-claimable – include your name)

💳 EFTPOS (please keep your receipt)

🏦 Bank transfer **PARISH A/C ONEHUNGA:**
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📍 Envelopes available 25th & 26th April, in the foyer & parish office

📺 Watch our progress thermometer in the church

Thank you for your generosity



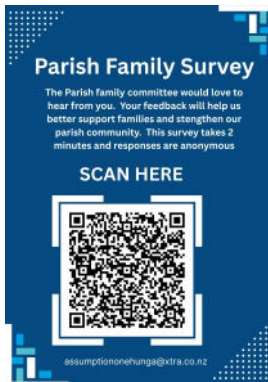
1. **Tax receipts** - available in the Parish foyer to be collected.
2. Please support our **Young People with their** yummy Bake Sale, this Sunday 26th April after the 8.30am and 10am Masses.
3. Thank you all for your generosity in your continual giving of dried goods. **YES** we are still collecting and distributing - while the need is there, we will continue.

DIOCESE NOTICES

1. Rise up and Shine Festival - Taste the World, Celebrate the Culture! **30th of May, 2026.** Starts at 10am with Thanks giving Mass. Followed by Social Entertainment until 3pm. Music, Zumba, Food stalls and Cultural Show. Join us at the Migrant Chaplaincy Rise Up & Shine Festival, where every bite tells a story and every dance spark joy.

2. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity falls on **17-24 May.** Gather your people, join us and the other Christian Church communities to the Ecumenical Day of Prayer for Christian Unity 7:00pm on Friday 29th May 2026 at St John Presbyterian Church, 422 Mt Albert Road, Mt Roskill. Owairaka and Three Kings parishioners encouraged to attend. Let us respond to Christ' prayer to the Father, "That may they all be one." It is our calling to be synodal, to 'reshape' our ways to be Catholic.

3. WYD 2027 Webinars - In preparation for World Youth Day 2027 in Seoul Korea, Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College invites young people and everyone to grow in their faith, hope and missionary discipleship, with this year's webinar series, "Take Courage! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). More information at www.tekupenga.ac.nz/webinars-2026



OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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**“I CAME
THAT YOU
MAY HAVE
LIFE”**

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR A 19TH APRIL 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**)

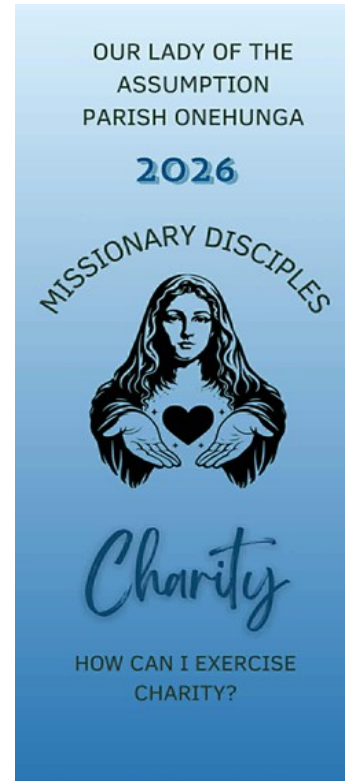
Reflection

(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. 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. The image of a caring shepherd is a challenge to all who hold pastoral office.

Flor McCarthy SDB



Readings for The Fourth Sunday of Easter 26th April 2026

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

R: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
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. **R.**

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. **R.**

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

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. **R.**

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 sheep and my own know me.
Alleluia!

Gospel:

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

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 25th and Sunday 26th April 2026

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	David Hagar	1. Pauline Calvert 2. Therese Ulberg	Colleen Hodges Vincent George
8.30am	Su'a Tagalao	1. Dominic Paul 2. Su'e Tapu	Cheryl Peters Sharlene Havea
10.00am	Uliafu Pifeleti	1. Iutita Sefo 2. Monica Liva	Ana Lauaki Valentino Laloni

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th April 2026

6.00pm	Veronica Hagar, Selesitina Taamale, Don & Colleen Hodges, Lily Ulberg
8.30am	Johndell Ubido, Glen Hill, Susitina Tu'inukuafe, Kalevina Su'a, Faumuina Lio
10.00am	Siololo & Anashasia Kautoke, Tonga Enosi, Peter Rawson, Inoke Kata

Readers for next week Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd May 2026

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Monica Liva	1. Su'e Tapu 2. Diana-Marie Ulberg	Pauline Calvert Therese Ulberg
8.30am	Susitina Tu'inukuafe	1. Cheryl Peters 2. Lily Ulberg	Dominic Paul Su'a Tagalao
10.00am	Toma Lauaki	1. Eseta Oloa 2. Ane Enosi	Uliafu Pifeleti Iutita Sefo

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6.00pm	David & Veronica Hagar, Selesitina Taamale, Don & Colleen Hodges
8.30am	Glen Hill, Johndell Ubido, Kalevina Su'a, Su'a Tagalao, Susitina Tu'inukuafe
10.00am	Michaela Duarte, Cory Apikotoa, Soane Ahovelo, Peter Rawson, Iutita Sefo

Anniversaries for the coming week 20th April to 3rd May

- 20.
 21. Leo John Kenny (1979)
 22. Agnes Genevieve Simmons (1992), Eileen Mulqueeney, Norman Simpson (1982)
 23. Alice Mary Elizabeth Kelly (2001)
 24. Ursula Corbett (1975), Lui Taefu (1989), Maureen Joan Hartvigsen (Bailey) 24 April (1992)
 25. Jessie Frances Direen (1977)
 26. Mary Aldyth Gill (1976)
 27. Mervyn Arthur Caddy (1981), Thomas Lionel Collins (1982)
Douglas Gordon Harlick (1987), Kellis Margaret Woodward (2014)
 28. Anna Doreen Harvey (1989), Barbara Stanley (2013), Aniva Bourke (2014), Viena Fusimalohi (2022)
Marie Bish
 29. Teariki Nooroa Akamoeau Potikitaua Mataiapo (NoNo)
Manarangi (2000), Justina Teina Tauu Pybus (2014)
 30. Kathleen Henehan (1979), Laura Aileen Marjorie Alimu (1999)
- MAY**
1. John William Henry Doherty (1955)
 2. Isabella Moira Swann (1997)
 3. Edward Joseph Doherty (1981)

Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00
Last Sunday collection \$3087.40

Readings for Next Week (03/05/26)
Fifth Sunday of Easter Year A
1st Reading: Acts 6:1-7
Psalm: 33
2nd Reading: 1Peter 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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