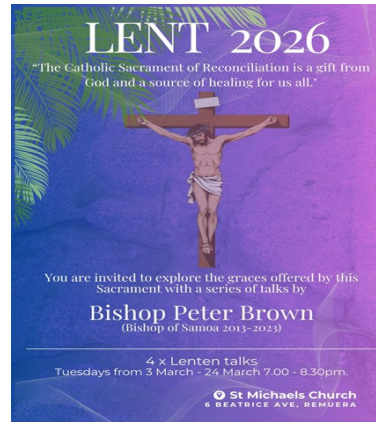


PARISH NOTICES

1. **Eucharistic Lenten Adoration** at 5pm this Sunday 1st March, led by the Samoan Community.
2. **Pastoral Council Committee meeting** - this Tuesday 3rd March 6.30pm in the meeting room.
3. **Stations of the Cross continues** - each Friday at 6.30pm during the Lenten season,
4. 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 Lisa on 0276252007 and Lonili on 02111375429 for an enrolment form.**
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 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. **Lent Webinar Series - Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand Journey**

Registrations have now opened for the Lent Webinar Series involving our Catholic Bishops, for all dates: <https://link.caritas.org.nz/lentweb1regiamong>. Please find attached the following documents/links for your reference:

1. Run sheet with the confirmed dates.
2. Flyer for the Webinar Series
3. Proposed talking points for Lent Webinar (In the attachment are some suggested talking points you may wish to incorporate into your reflection on the Lenten Sunday Gospel for your week, based on the Caritas Lent Reflection Programme (LRP). They are a guide only. Below that are other key elements from the LRP that will be used or referenced during the webinar, which may also inspire your reflection).
4. LRP Resource link which contains the Gospel readings - <https://www.caritas.org.nz/lent-resources> In addition to the registration link, we have posters available for sharing and circulation, which can be found on our website here: <https://www.caritas.org.nz/lent-webinars#diocesandparish>
5. LRP (finalised version) The calendar invites and zooms links will follow

2. **Divine Mercy Devotion & Mass on Friday 6th March 7:00pm** at St Mary's Parish, 20 Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy Sung, Benediction, Mass, followed by Veneration of St Faustina's relic. All Welcome.

3. **Auckland Prison (Paremoremo) - Catholic Prison Chaplaincy**

We are seeking to employ a suitably qualified person to work as members of Tira Tūhāhā Prison Chaplaincy Aotearoa Chaplaincy Team, which delivers Ecumenical Chaplaincy services to men in prison at the Auckland Prison (Paremoremo). This is a part-time position of 24 hours per week - days to be determined but with the expectation of some Sundays per month for Sunday Services. To view the full advert and the position description please go to our website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz under Diocesan Services and Staff Vacancies. Applications close on 6 March 2026.

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION



**“THIS IS MY
BELOVED SON,
HEAR
HIM.”**

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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A 1ST MARCH 2026

Daily Morning Eucharist:

Monday - Friday 7.30am

Daily Evening Eucharist:

Suspended until further notice

First Friday Evening:

Lectio Divina 6.30pm-7.30pm

Saturday Eucharist:

8.00am and Vigil 6.00pm

Sunday Eucharist:

8.30am & 10.00am

Public Holidays:

8.00am, **no evening Mass**

Adoration:

Sundays 5.00pm-5.45pm

Tongan Mass:

2nd Sunday of every month at 12.00pm

Samoan Mass:

5th Sunday of every month at 11.30am

Youth Mass:

4th Sunday of every month at 10.00am

Reconciliation:

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

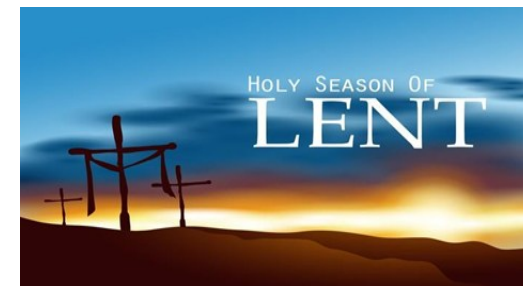
Reflection

OASES ON THE JOURNEY. As followers of Jesus, we have nowhere to pitch our tents. We must journey with Jesus through the hardships of life to glory. There will be oases along the way - moments of consolation which reveal the presence of God among us. We cannot remain in these moments for ever, but they give us refreshment. Remembering them will sustain us on our pilgrim way.

Just as we always hear the story of Jesus' testing on the first Sunday of Lent, so we always hear of his transfiguration on the second. One way of interpreting this choice is to see the story of the transfiguration as a source of encouragement for us on our Lenten journey. If we are disheartened by the challenge of last Sunday's gospel, then we might be reassured by the vision of Jesus' glory in today's.

Appealing as this is, the story makes it clear that we can't escape into an imaginary paradise as Peter was tempted to do. That's the point: Jesus must come down from the mountain and continue on his way. This is the choice he makes. He faces up to the fate that awaits him in Jerusalem. What about us? Will we continue to follow him all the way to Calvary and beyond?

Flor McCarthy SDB



Readings for The Second Sunday of Lent 1st March 2026

First reading: A reading from the book of Genesis. 12:1-4
The calling of Abraham, father of the people of God,

Responsorial Psalm: 33.

R: Let your love be upon us, Lord, even as we hope in you.

The word of the Lord is upright,
 and all his work is done in faithfulness.
 He loves righteousness and justice;
 the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord. **R**

Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him,
 on those who hope in his steadfast love,
 to deliver their soul from death,
 and to keep them alive in famine. **R**

Our soul waits for the Lord;
 he is our help and shield.
 Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,
 even as we hope in you. **R**

Second reading: A reading from the second letter of
 St Paul to Timothy. 1:8-10

God has saved us, and called us to be holy!

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the bright cloud the Father's voice is heard;
 This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!



Gospel:

A reading from the holy Gospel
 according to Matthew: 17:1-9
Jesus' face shone like the sun!

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 28th February and Sunday 1st March 2026

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Pauline Calvert	1. Selesitina Taamale 2. Therese Ulberg	Colleen Hodges Angel Taamale
8.30am	Chiara Marie	1. Glen Hill 2. Savelina Mahoni	Cheryl Peters Dominic Paul
10.00am	Fusi Mataele	1. Malia Apikotoa 2. Eseta Oloa	Ane Enosi Iutita Sefo

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week Saturday 28th February and Sunday 1st March 2026

6.00pm	David & Veronica Hagar, Don & Colleen Hodges, Su'e Tapu
8.30am	Su'a Tagaloa, Kalevina Su'a, Johndell Ubido, Robert Lemana, Susitina Tu'inukuafe
10.00am	Tonga Enosi, Cory Apikotoa, Michaela Duarte, Malia Tuipulotu, Soane Ahovelu Jr

Readers for next week Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th March 2026

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Diana-Marie Ulberg	1. Tatupu Vaalepu 2. Angel Taamale	Pauline Calvert Therese Ulberg
8.30am	Su'e Tapu	1. Lily Ulberg 2. Fiesola Pifeleti	Savelina Mahoni Chiara Marie
10.00am	Tatupu Vaalepu	1. Iutita Sefo 2. Selesitina Taamale	Fusi Mataele Malia Apikotoa

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10.00am	Michaela Duarte, Faumuina Lio, Peter Rawson, Tatupu Vaalepu, Eseta Oloa

Anniversaries for the coming week 1st to 8th March

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2. Zela Theodora Gertrude Williams (1982), Mary Christine Thorne (1985), Lena Ellen George (1985), Patrick Emmet Murphy (2007)
3. Victor Rupert Barchard (1986), Marjory Molly Bouzaid (1986), Michael Joseph Bouzaid (1986), Terese Marshall (2008)
4. Fr. Sebastian Palich (1989), Phyllis Margaret Beeson (1990), Kathleen Marjorie Hooker (1990)
5. Mary Ethel Patten (1986), Catherine Patricia Hetherington (1988), William Gregory Williams (2011), Maselino Toafa Poloie Tu'I (2012)
6. Leo Mathew Dwyer (1977), Margaret Skynner (1989), John Philip Matheson (1989)
7. Effie Williams (1976), Sr. Mary Fidelis (Margaret McVicar) (2002)
8. Ronald Randall (2003), Bill and Mary Dutton

**Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00
 Last Sunday's collection \$2568.60**

Readings for Next Week (08/03/26)
Third Sunday of Lent Year A
 1st Reading: Exodus 17:3-7
 Psalm: 95
 2nd Reading: Romans 5:1-2,5-8
 Gospel: John 4:5-42

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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