

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 FAMILY COMMITTEE!

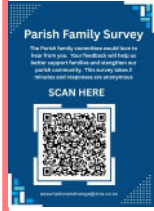
is here to support families in our parish, recognising each home as a 'Domestic Church' where faith is lived and nurtured every day.

As we respond to our call to become

Missionary Disciples, we are focusing on the

virtue of Charity—building a culture of love, service, and connection within our families and parish community.

We'd love your input as we plan meaningful opportunities for families to connect and grow in faith. Please take a moment to complete our short 2-minute Family survey and be part of shaping this journey together. Scan QR code or pick up hardcopy of survey at the parish office.



OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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“THEY
RECOGNIZED
HIM IN THE
BREAKING OF
BREAD”

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)

1. Tax receipts - are now available in the Parish foyer to be collected.
2. Samoan Mass on the 4th Sunday, which is the 26th April 2026 at 11.30am. All welcome!
3. Please support our Young People by taking a box and fill with yummy baking for our Bake Sale. Boxes will be distributed after the 3 masses this weekend.
4. 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. St Michael's Parish Remuera - Scripture Study: 'THE EXODUS' by Dr Dan Stollenwerk. In the lead up to Pentecost Sunday, Dan will dive deep into the common themes that link Pentecost and the Book of Exodus. Please join us at St Michael's: 4x Wednesday mornings 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th May 10:30am – 11:45am in the Parish Centre. Followed by midday Mass.
4. 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
PARISH ONEHUNGA

2026

MISSIONARY DISCIPLES



Charity

HOW CAN I EXERCISE
CHARITY?

Reflection
(Acts 2:14:22-28). Preaching to the Jews assembled in Jerusalem for the feast of Pentecost. Peter interprets the Jewish scriptures in the light of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. In our passage we should note two points. Firstly, the crucifixion of Jesus was not a tragic accident of fate. It was foreseen and provided for in the eternal purpose of God. Secondly, the centrality of the resurrection in the early preaching cannot be overstated. The crucifixion and death of Jesus are viewed as only a prelude to the mighty act of God in raising him up.

(1 Pet 1:17-21). This reading contains a strong reference to the resurrection. It reminds the Christian what his redemption cost - nothing less than the life and death of Jesus Christ. Since the Christian is destined to share in the glory of Christ, his life must be characterized by holiness.

(Lk 24:13-35). The Emmaus story is more than a story. It is a sophisticated eucharistic catechesis: a 'liturgy of the Word' followed by a 'liturgy of the Eucharist'. The expression 'breaking of bread' is a technical term for the Eucharist. The gestures and words used are those of the Last Supper and of the Eucharist: 'He took the bread ... blessed it ... broke it ... and gave it to them.' No doubt this reflected the Eucharistic practice of the Lukan Church. By the time Luke wrote his Gospel half a century had gone by since the Lord's death and resurrection. So his readers might look back with envy at the people who were fortunate enough to have seen the risen Lord with their own eyes. But in this story he makes the point that those who were in that enviable position did not truly know Jesus until the Scriptures were expounded and the bread was broken.

Flor McCarthy SDB

Readings for The Third Sunday of Easter 19th April 2026

First reading: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. 2:14,22-33
It was impossible for him to be held by the power of Hades!

Responsorial Psalm: 15

R: Lord, you will show me the path of life.

Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord;

I have no good apart from you."

The Lord is my chosen portion and my cups; you hold my lot. **R**

I bless the Lord who gives me counsel,

In the night also my heart instructs me.

I keep the Lord always before me;

Because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. **R**

Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;

My body also rests secure.

For you do not give me up to Sheol,

Or let your faithful one see the Pit. **R**

You show me the path of life,

In your presence there is fullness of joy;

In your right hand are pleasures forevermore. **R**



First reading: A reading from the first letter of St Peter. 1:17-21

The ransom that was paid to free you was the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ!

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us,
 make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!

Gospel:

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke. 24:13-35

They recognized him at the breaking of the bread!

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 18th and Sunday 19th April 2026

| | Commentator | Readers | Reserves |
|----------------|--------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| 7.00pm | Colleen Hodges | 1. Vincent George 2. Ane Enosi | Lily Ulberg Selesitina Taamale |
| 8.30am | Kalevina Su'a | 1. Fiesola Pifeleti 2. Jasmine Lealaogata | Glen Hill Savelina Mahoni |
| 10.00am | Angel Taamale | 1. Assumption Ilalio 2. Loveriel Racoma | Chiara Orlain Eseta Oloa |

Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th April 2026

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| 7.00pm | Don & Colleen Hodges, Tonga Enosi, David & Veronica Hagar |
| 8.30am | Su'a Tagalao, Johndell Ubido, Glen Hill, Susitina Tu'inukuafe, Selesitina Taamale |
| 10.00am | Diana-Marie Ulberg, Tatupu Vaalepu, Valentino Laloni, Robert Lemana, Monica Liva |

Readers for next week Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th April 2026

| | Commentator | Readers | Reserves |
|----------------|--------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 7.00pm | 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 |

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| 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 |

Anniversaries for the coming week 13th to 19th April

13. Mary Josephine Berry (2003)
14. Siale Hola (1977), Thomas Patrick Monaghan (1980), Kevin Joseph Doherty (2003), Ermaline Fernandez,
15. Peter Aloysius Anzac Brody (1986), Patrick Joseph Keir (1999), Josephine Catherine Loach (2000), Theresia Neumann (2007), Fr Tony Cleary, Estrelita Reyes Andutan
16. Peggy Margaret Monaghan (1995), Naea Dito Bourke (2001), Lydia Ferrao Joyce Philomena Johnson (2020)
17. Lesley Kelly, Cyril Crisp, Tago Sefo Ioane (2001), Aileen Mary Brown (2014), Geoffrey Stuart Harris (2009).
18. Charles Duffy (1996)
19. Millie Williams (1975), Ernest Wilfred Mills (2002), Peter Kelly

**Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00
 Last Sunday collection \$1618.60**

Readings for Next Week (26/04/26)
Fourth Sunday of Easter Year A
 1st Reading: Acts 2:14,36-41
 Psalm: 23
 2nd Reading: 1Peter 2:20-25
 Gospel: John 10:1-10

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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