

Parish of St Peter - Waiheke Island

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PARISH TIMETABLE: SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5.00PM
SUNDAY MASS 9.15AM

RECONCILIATION RITE I AVAILABLE BEFORE WEEKEND MASSES

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26th week in Ordinary Time : Year A : 27 September 2020

Pastor's Note

No matter who we are we possess the freedom to say 'yes' or 'no' to God and the ability to repent and change the direction of our lives. One way or another we are responsible for our conduct and accountable for our behaviour. One day we will stand before the judgment seat of God answerable for our goodness and our failings. The Good News is that with the help of God's grace we can change the direction of our lives for the better. The varying attitudes of the two sons give us cause to think carefully whether we like it or not, there is a mixture of both personalities in our makeup. Very few of us can say that when the Lord called us we were ready and eager to answer, "Here I am Lord, I have come to do your will."

The gospel is telling us that actions speak louder than words. If regular church attendance is not accompanied by upright Christian living, what we profess to believe has no value and amounts to no more than lip service or idle promises which are worthless. We are uttering words but are not changing our hearts.

The liturgy points out that there must be a connection between what we say and what we do. Jesus criticised the religious leaders of his day because they shirked their responsibility and only thought that they wanted to do God's will. Their promises were empty because they did not keep them and as a result their journey to God was going nowhere. In a ringing denunciation Christ stated that their observance of the law was an outward show and that there was more honesty and a greater readiness to accept the call for repentance among outcasts. 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of heaven before you.'

This is a story for all ages. The trail of broken promises that each of us leaves behind points to the inconsistency between what we promise and what we do. In the early Christian community the scandal of professed church members who did not fulfil their promises was deeply felt. The lesson the gospel offers us is that we may be saying 'yes' to God on Sunday and turning our back on what we profess during the rest of the week. Many of us who say 'yes' to the Body of Christ don't realise that we are saying 'no' to the community of Christ when at the church door, an age old feud between families prevents us from speaking to a neighbour. Newly married couples have no problems saying 'yes' on their wedding day but find it increasingly difficult to keep their promises through the ups and downs of life.

The best of our allegiance to Christ is in keeping the promises that we have made and accepting his will whatever it may be.

Monsignor Bernard Kiely, Good Shepherd Parish, Balmoral.

PARISH ROSTERS 26 September – 11 October 2020

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PROCLAIMERS OF THE WORD

	Welcome/PoF	First Reading	Second Reading
Saturday 26 September	Neil Johnson	Ruth Gracie	Bronwen Muir
Sunday 27 September	Christine Sloan	Judith Aggrey	Mark Mullins
Saturday 3 October	Pat Sullivan	Mary Sullivan	Clare Campbell
Sunday 4 October	Vikki Trainor	Ceri O'Connor	Mike Gaileen
Saturday 10 October	Bronwen Muir	Kevin McBride	Barbara McBride
Sunday 11 October	Ivan Grbin	Carol Grbin	Mary Wright

MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION (*responsible for set up)

Saturday 26 September	*Pauline Dunkley
Sunday 27 September	*David Sloan
Saturday 3 October	*Chris Lynch
Sunday 4 October	*Fe Wilson
Saturday 10 October	*Susan McCusker
Sunday 11 October	*Ann Ita Harrison



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Leader	Wednesday 30 September 9.00am
Reader	Laurie Leonard
Minister	Bronwen Muir
	Pauline Dunkley

DRIVEWAY MAINTENANCE

Saturday 3 October	Clucy Ingram	Saturday 10 October	Barbara Boyce
Saturday 17 October	Patrick Newton	Saturday 23 October	David Harold

CHURCH CLEANING

3/10 October	Beng & Romel de Guzman	17/23 October	Fe Wilson & Eil McDonald
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PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK, RECOVERING FROM SURGERY OR NEEDING OUR PRAYERS, ESPECIALLY: Louise Shave, Angela Marsden, Peter Ryder, Ann Thomas, Elizabeth O'Flaherty, Shona Sullivan, John Gillespie, Jenny Wallace, the Grevatt family, Mike & Josie Glynn & son Mark Walsh and his family, Debbie Sheridan, Father Gerard Glynn, Sarah Sommerlad (aunt of Pat Newton), Eileen Porteous & Clive Brock (brother & sister of Ruth Gracie), Freddy Gonzales, Monica Kelsey (sister of Tom Hughes), Bronwen Muir, Stuart Weekes, Kennedy Harper Wilson, Amanda & Garret Quinn, David Sloan, Joyce Camilleri, Rex McQuinn (father of Katie Horton), Roy & Jan Carroll.



Entrance:	Come as You Are	212
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GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on Earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of Heaven and Earth;
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our
Lord: who was conceived by the Holy
Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary;
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into Hell;
on the third day
He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into Heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and teach
me: for you are God my saviour.

Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from old.
Do not remember the sins of my youth.
In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord.

The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
he guides the humble in the right path;
he teaches his way to the poor.

CONFITEOR

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have **greatly sinned**
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and
in what I have failed to do,
through my fault,
through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary
ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters, to
pray for me to
the Lord our God

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

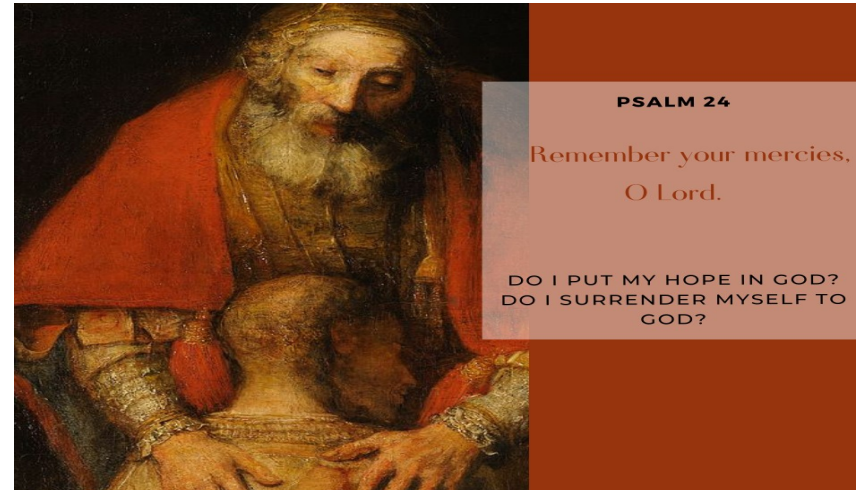
27 Sept: 26th week Ordinary Time: Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11; Matthew 21:28-32
4 Oct: 27th week Ordinary Time: Isaiah 5: 1-7; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43.

Notices

First Eucharist and Confirmation. Congratulations to Joseph Newton, Rita Newton, Billy Cumming, Olive Cumming, Charlotte Hussey, Summer Cummings-Johnson and Monet Cummings-Johnson who receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation this Sunday. We pray for them as they continue their Catholic faith journey. Sincere thanks and gratitude to Patrick Newton who has prepared these young people for their Sacraments

Small Fundraising Craft Stall. The grand total raised is a wonderful \$37,120.00. The stall will re-open when we move to Level 1. Thank you to the whole Parish. Jo and the team.

The General Election. A commentator noted this week that the 2020 General Election with its accompanying referendum is one of the most interesting and challenging. In order to assist people in their discernment, the New Zealand Bishops' Conference has produced their 2020 Election Statement. This is available digitally at www.catholic.org.nz/assets/Uploads/Catholic-Bishops-Election-Statement-2020.pdf. In the next 10 days each parish will also receive a small number for those that require hardcopy. If you anyone in our parish is travelling close to the Pompallier Centre and can pick up our copies, please let the Centre know. The postage budget would appreciate it.



Liturgy Conference. Starting from Friday 2 & Saturday 3 October we plan to offer a series of digital presentations from Conference presenters. If you have registered for the Conference or subscribed to the Conference newsletter, the portal link will be emailed to you. If you would like to receive this link, please subscribe to the Liturgy Conference newsletter via the website <https://wuss.org.nz/>

Beginning Experience. Alone again? A weekend away to help those suffering the heartache of Separation, Divorce, or Widowhood, 6-8 November. The Beginning Experience is a non-profit organization that provides support for the grieving single again and offers an opportunity to turn the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth. The total cost for 2 nights' accommodation, meals, and materials, plus a follow-up event is \$350, with Early Bird \$325 if paid by 25 September. For further information please phone Kelly 0276864416 or Bev 09 298 9943 or 0272481631 www.beginningexperience.org.nz.