

PARISH ROSTERS

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PROCLAIMERS OF THE WORD

Welcome/

Prayers of faithful: 1st reader: 2nd reader:

Saturday 17 February	Bronwen Muir	Don Sheridan	Ceri O'Connor
Sunday 18 February	Sheldene Crookes	Kirsten Sloan	Gaileen McGivern
Saturday 24 February	Ruth Gracie	Mary Sullivan	Pat Sullivan
Sunday 25 February	Christine Sloan	Mark Mullins	Viki Trainor
Saturday 2 March	Carol Grbin	Bronwen Muir	Ivan Grbin
Sunday 3 March	Gaileen McGivern	Judith Aggrey	Judith Walshe
Saturday 9 March	Ruth Gracie	Ceri O'Connor	Don Sheridan
Sunday 10 March	Viki Trainor	Sheldene Crookes	Kirsten Sloan

MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION (*responsible for set up, 2nd minister if required)

Saturday 17 February	*Ruth Gracie
Sunday 18 February	*David Sloan
Saturday 24 February	*Pauline
Sunday 25 February	*Fe De La Haye
Saturday 2 March	*Ruth Gracie
Sunday 3 March	*Ann Ita Harrison
Saturday 9 March	*Pauline
Sunday 10 March	*David Sloan



DRIVEWAY MAINTENANCE

24 February	Patrick Newton
2 March	Barbara Boyce
9 March	David Harold



Pastor's Note

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That busyness stops us seeing both the deeper temptations we face to give in to patterns and habits of sin that damage us and damage those around us, and the deeper hunger we have for the life Christ offers to us and which can really make us free. So, we might pray that this Lent will help to make our choices clearer to us, that we might choose, not the wilderness of want and hard labour, but the joy that God has willed for us from the beginning.

Blessings ~ Fr Chris Denham

Please pray for those who are sick, recovering from surgery or needing our prayers, especially:

Louise Shave, Angela Marsden & daughter Janet, Shona Sullivan, Grevatt family, Mike & Josie Glynn & son Mark Walsh and his family, Debbie Sheridan, Freddy Gonzales, Monica Kelsey (sister of Tom Hughes), Bronwen Muir, Kennedy Harper Wilson, Joyce Camilleri, Roy & Jan Carroll, Mary Wright, Ivan Grbin, Brian Henry and Jill Saintsbury, Felicita Gonzales Malanay (sister of Fe & Ell), Pat Mullins (mother of Mark Mullins).

PARISH OF ST PETER - Waiheke Island

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Parish Timetable:	Saturday Vigil Mass	5.00pm
	Sunday Mass	9.15am
	Adoration & Holy Rosary every Sunday after morning tea	10.45am

Reconciliation Rite I:	Available before weekend Masses
Parish Priest:	Fr Chris Denham (frchris@stpatericks.org.nz): 09 303 4509
Assistant Priest:	Fr Glenford Lowe
Parish Liaison:	Christine Sloan (stpeters.waiheke@gmail.com): 09-372-3581



YEAR B: 18TH FEBRUARY 2024

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Pastor's Note

Each year, as Lent begins, we hear of Jesus heading out into the wilderness to fast and pray, and there encountering the Devil, who tempts him. Before we rush to the great spiritual battle that concludes the story it is good to consider the setting.

The wilderness was often shown in the scriptures as a testing place; a place where the lack of everyday things forced people to consider the "big picture." But going back to the beginning, literally, the wilderness was where Adam and Eve went after leaving Eden. The place where life was hard, what they needed was gathered by the sweat of Adam's brow and Eve's experiences were full of discomfort. It is into that reality that Jesus goes, and it is not surprising therefore that there he meets the cause of that situation, the one who tempted Adam and Eve to turn away from the Lord. And the temptations that Jesus faces aren't something new and startling.

Which is not surprising. Evil cannot do anything new. If you look over the great sweep of history there is a dreadful sameness about what is wrong. Again and again the same faults, the same horrors. The prizing of material things and worldly power – those temptations that Satan tries on Jesus - leading to violence and abuse.

So the wilderness where Jesus is tempted is not just a random place, it is in fact the place to which the things that Satan offers lead. The question that is put to us at the start of each Lent therefore is: Do you want this, or do you want something more?

Hopefully, in the full meaning of that word, we want something more. Lent is a time for us to think about what we really want. Just as the things we give us for Lent tend to reveal to us our deeper needs, so the period of forty days as a whole can be an opportunity for us to step away from the busyness of our ordinary lives, in which all the things we do for work or leisure, all the routines we have in place, often distract us from facing what is really important in life.

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Blessings ~ Fr Chris Denham

Waiheke Parish is part of the Auckland Inner City Pastoral Area,
Catholic Cathedral of St Patrick, Parish of St Benedict - Newton, Parish of St John - Parnell



Hymns: Mass Setting MEWS MASS

Gloria and the word Alleluia omitted in Lent

Entrance: 420 All the Ends of the Earth

Offertory:

Communion: 193 One Bread One Body

Recessional: 404 Christ Be Our Light

Psalm 25: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

(pray together)

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me;
teach me your paths,
Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my savior.

Remember that your compassion, O LORD,
and your love are from of old.
In your kindness remember me,
because of your goodness, O LORD.

Good and upright is the LORD,
thus he shows sinners the way.
He guides the humble to justice,
and he teaches the humble his way.

Gospel Acclamation

(prayed 2x)

“Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ,
King of endless glory”

Lenten prayer

(prayed together)

E te Ariki, Lord Jesus,
as we start our Lenten journey this year,
help us to open our hearts and minds
to hear your voice in new ways.
Water the seeds of faith to prepare us
to help bring Your kingdom here on earth.
Even in challenging times,
help us to proclaim the Good News
and stand as your witness at all times
and in all things and in all places.

Liturgy of the Word

18th February: 1st Sunday of Lent

Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9.; 1 Pt 3:18-22
Mt 4:4b; GOSPEL: Mk 1:12-15



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.

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.

NOTICES

Adoration & Holy Rosary

will be held every **Sunday after morning tea at 10:45am**

Holy Mass will be celebrated on Friday February 23rd at 9.00am

Farewell for Kevin & Barbara McBride – Saturday 24 February at St Peter’s Church.

Fish & Chips following Mass. Please put your name on the list on the table in the atrium for ordering purposes.

Lenten Giving envelopes for the Bishops’ Lent Appeal 2024 are available on the table in the atrium. This year Caritas is using a single envelope to reduce cost. Gifting can be weekly or just once. Either return your donation envelope in the usual Mass gifting basket or send direct to Caritas. Donations can also be sent online.

Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand is calling for a ceasefire and for sufficient humanitarian supplies to be allowed into Gaza to help vulnerable people caught up in the conflict.

Prayers have been published on the Caritas Facebook page and website. Caritas is also receiving donations through its website: <https://www.caritas.org.nz/where-we-work/holy-land>“

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so we usually only have copies for sale once a fortnight. Price \$4.

Parish Donations:

To assist our finance team, it is preferred that donations and special collections be made directly to the Parish Account. **BNZ – St Peters Parish Waiheke; 02-0108-0707710-000**

Year of Prayer Pope Francis has dedicated 2024 as a Year of Prayer in preparation for the Jubilee Year of 2025. Resources are available on the diocesan website <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/year-of-prayer/>

The Liturgy Centre has a number of resources for parishes including ceremonial binders and resources for the Sunday readings explore <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/liturgy-prayer/liturgy/>

News about the Diocese. For news about the life of the diocese and to find out about events and other opportunities coming up head to CDA connect a monthly round up of what’s happened and what is coming up. <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/services/cda-connect/>

A reminder that the diocese continues to provide broadcast Sunday Mass.

It is uploaded at 5.30pm Saturday night (as per a Vigil Mass time) to the Youtube channel Auckland Catholic [bit.ly/PathToMass](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...) It is also broadcast on Shine TV Sundays at 2.00pm Free-to-air TV Channel 25, Sky TV Channel 201.

Lent at St Michael’s In the lead up to Lent, St Michael’s RE Committee invites you to a programme of **five weekly talks by Fr Merv Duffy**. This unique series is designed to enrich our understanding of Lent, deepen our faith, as well as explore the mysteries and significance of the Eucharist during this sacred season. This programme will be presented on **Tuesday evenings at St Michael’s Church in Remuera beginning Tuesday 20 February 7.00pm – 8.00pm.** Register at St Michael’s website <https://www.remueracatholic.org.nz/lenten-programme>

Masterclass Young Leaders’ Formation, Sunday 25 February There will be relevant workshops, fantastic (free) kai, and opportunities to connect with other young leaders! Masterclass will be taking place on **Sunday 25 February, 2:30pm – 6:30pm, at the Pompallier Diocesan Centre, 30 New Street, Ponsonby.** Register at [masterclassCDA.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/masterclassCDA)

Waiheke Budgeting Collection. Fund Raising.

It was decided at the Parish Meeting held on 15th October that we would fund raise this year to assist Waiheke Budgeting. The need is great. An open basket will be placed outside the side door of the Church as well as the basket in the Atrium to collect non-perishable food. **St Peter’s A/c number is 02-0108-0707710-000 (particulars - Budgeting) (reference - 97)** Budgeting will use funds as they see fit and love the idea that we are supporting them.

