PARISH ROSTERS

PROCLAIMERS OF THE WORD

Welcome/

	<u>Prayers of faithful:</u>	1st reader:	<u> 2nd reader:</u>
Saturday 6 April	Ruth Gracie	Don Sheridan	Ceri O'Connor
Sunday 7 April	Sheldene Crookes	Kirsten Sloan	Viki Trainor
Saturday 13 April	Mary Sullivan	Bronwen Muir	Pat Sullivan
Sunday 14 April	Gaileen McGivern	Judith Aggrey	Mark Mullins

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

Saturday 6 April *Pauline/Velvet Sunday 7 April *David Sloan Saturday 13 April *Ruth Gracie Sunday 14 April *Fe De La Haye

DRIVEWAY MAINTENANCE

30 March David Harold 6 April Patrick Newton 13 April Barbara Boyce

Pastor's Note

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Through these encounters, John's Gospel invites readers to reflect on the enduring relevance of Christ's resurrection in their own lives. Just as the disciples experienced new life and empowerment through their encounters with the risen Lord, so too are believers invited to embrace the transformative power of Christ's resurrection in their spiritual journey.

Ultimately, John's Gospel challenges us to move beyond doubt and embrace faith in the resurrected Christ. It reminds us that, like the disciples, we are called to gather together in community, to encounter Christ in the breaking of bread, and to bear witness to his transformative presence in the world.

Lenten Blessings - Fr Stephen

Please pray for those who are sick, recovering from surgery or needing our prayers, especially: Louise Shave, Angela Marsden & daughter Janet, Shona Sulivan, 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)

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@stpatricks.org.nz): 09-303-4509

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2nd Sunday of Easter / Sunday of Divine Mercy 7th of April 2024

Pastor's Note

In John's Gospel today, we witness a profound narrative that encapsulates the essence of Christian faith: the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the transformative power it brings to believers. At its core, this passage illustrates Jesus' compassionate return to his disciples, offering them peace, forgiveness, and a renewed sense of purpose. The scene opens with the disciples gathered together in a room, experiencing a mix of fear and uncertainty following Jesus' crucifixion. Yet, in the midst of their apprehension, Jesus appears among them, embodying the embodiment of peace and reassurance. This moment signifies not only the physical presence of Jesus but also the spiritual reality of his resurrection, which brings hope and restoration to his followers.

Central to this narrative is the figure of Thomas, whose doubt serves as a pivotal element in the story. Thomas's scepticism underscores the importance of encountering the risen Christ firsthand—a theme that resonates throughout

Christian theology. His journey from doubt to belief highlights the transformative nature of faith and the profound impact of encountering the living Christ.

Moreover, Thomas's doubt sets the stage for the subsequent encounter with Jesus, which occurs a week later. This deliberate sequencing emphasizes the significance of the Christian assembly, where believers come together to worship and commune with the risen Lord. In the context of the Church's liturgy, Thomas's experience serves as a poignant reminder of the ongoing presence of Christ among his people, especially during the celebration of the Eucharist.

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Hymns: Mass Setting Mass of Joy & Peace

By Tony Alonzo

Entrance: 526 Gather Us in
Offertory: 447 We Walk By Faith
Communion: 204 I am The Bread of Life

Recessional: 392 Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

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.

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.

<u>Liturgy of the Word</u> 7th of April - 2nd Sunday of Easter / Sunday of Divine Mercy

Reading II: Acts 4:32-35 Reading III: 1 Jn 5:1-6 GOSPEL: Jn 20:19-31

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.

Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

(pray together)

Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever." Let the house of Aaron say, "His mercy endures forever." Let those who fear the LORD say, "His mercy endures forever."

I was hard pressed and was falling, but the LORD helped me. My strength and my courage is the LORD, and he has been my savior. The joyful shout of victory in the tents of the just.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done, it is wonderful in our eyes. This is the day the LORD has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it.

NOTICES

Adoration & Holy Rosary

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

<u>Waiheke Budgeting foodbank</u> - please place non-perishable groceries in a basket in the atrium.

NZ Catholic - is on sale in the atrium

Building a Thriving Parish is part 2 of the Go Make Disciples series of presentations on Parish Renewal. We will be sharing experiences, challenges, and practical tools and insights to help you as Lay Leaders to help your parish thrive. This will be held at 7pm - 9pm Wednesday 24th April 2024 at St Francis Retreat Centre, 50 Hillsborough Rd, Hillsborough. Koha on the night. RSVP to stephen@cda.org.nz

Join Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College for its new webinar series, A Taste of Theology from April-December 2024 every first Tuesday of the month. These are one-hour sessions with topics on Philosophy, Canon Law, Spirituality, Scripture, Moral Theology, etc. Four sessions revisit the documents of Vatican II. Cost of \$60 one-off. For more information and to register, go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/tasteoftheology.

Upcoming Events at Mary MacKillop Centre

<u>Taize Prayer Evening</u> Friday 12 April at 7pm Mary MacKillop Chapel, 26 Selwyn Ave, Mission Bay

<u>A Day with Henri Nouwen</u> April 20, 10am – 4pm, Led by Eamon Butler Mary MacKillop Prayer Room, 26 Selwyn Ave, Mission Bay, 20,\$35 /\$25. Please Register by 17 April <u>Card Crafting Workshop</u> Saturday 20 April 10am – 3pm Mary MacKillop Centre, 26 Selwyn Ave, Mission Bay, Facilitated by Meg Hills RSJ, \$35 /\$25.Register by 17 April

All Registrations to Sr Jill McLoughlin MBSpirituality@sosj.org.au Mob: 021 091 15260

Waiheke Women Connect We're having our next get together for WWC on 9th April, between 10:30am and 12nn. At Waiheke Island Baptist Church, 55 Ostend Rd. For Coffee or Tea, and a chat! All Welcome

Men's Breakfast We will be having a guest speaker, Andrew Curtis/leadership coach, for Men's breakfast 0n 13th April, Saturday, 8:00-9:30am. At Waiheke Island Baptist Church, Bring a friend or two. Please bring a contribution towards the cost.

Towards October 2024 Local Churches are invited to contribute to the Synod on Synodality by deepening aspects of the Synthesis Report. These contributions are guided by the question: "HOW can we be a synodal Church in mission?" The diocese is offering sessions in the ten days post Easter for the Church of Auckland to participate in this phase of the consultation. For more details and to register (which is required) https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/towards-october-2024/

<u>Parish Donation:</u> 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**

Grateful thanks to the Liturgy Team for their time and talents in ensuring our Easter Services were inspiring