

PARISH ROSTERS

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PROCLAIMERS OF THE WORD

	<u>Welcome/</u>		
	<u>Prayers of faithful:</u>	<u>1st reader:</u>	<u>2nd reader:</u>
Saturday 05 April	Ivan Grbin	Carol Grbin	Joe Newton
Sunday 06 April	Kirsten Sloan	Christine Sloan	Judith Walshe
Saturday 12 April	Ruth Gracie	Ceri O'Connor	Pat Sullivan
<u>Passion of Christ</u>	<u>Narrator 1</u>	<u>1st Reader</u>	<u>2nd Reader</u>
	Bronwen Muir	Don Sheridan	Mary Sullivan
	Viki Trainor	Sheldene Crookes	Judith Aggrey
Sunday 13 April	<u>Narrator 1</u>	<u>1st Reader</u>	<u>2nd Reader</u>
<u>Passion of Christ</u>	Christine Sloan	Mark Mullins	Kirsten Sloan
	Bronwen Muir	Kirsten Sloan	Judith Aggrey
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<u>Holy Thursday 7pm</u>	<u>Narrator 1</u>	<u>1st Reader</u>	<u>2nd Reader</u>
<u>Good Friday 3.00pm</u>	Mark Mullins	Don Sheridan	Kirsten Sloan
<u>Passion of Christ</u>	<u>no welcome</u>	<u>1st Reader</u>	<u>2nd Reader</u>
	Don Sheridan	Bronwen Muir	Kirsten Sloan
		<u>3rd Reader</u>	<u>Epistle</u>
		Carol Grbin	Ivan Grbin
<u>Holy Saturday 7pm</u>	Judith Aggrey	Gaileen Mc Givern	Sheldene Crookes
	Carol Grbin	Ivan Grbin	Joe Newton
<u>Easter Sunday 9.15am</u>	Gaileen McGivern	Judith Walshe	Mark Mullins

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

Saturday 05 April	*Ruth Gracie
Sunday 06 April	*Ann Ita Harrison
Saturday 12 April	*Velvet Cooney
Sunday 13 April	*Robbie Martin
<u>Holy Thursday 7.00pm</u>	*Ruth Gracie
<u>Good Friday 3.00pm</u>	*Fe De La Haye
<u>Holy Saturday 7.00pm</u>	*Fe De La Haye
<u>Easter Sunday 9.15am</u>	*Ann Ita Harrison/ Velvet Cooney
Saturday 26 April	*Ruth Gracie
Sunday 27 April	*Robbie Martin

DRIVEWAY MAINTENANCE

29 March	Patrick Newton
05 April	Barbara Boyce

Pastor's Note

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The door to faith is now open. Jesus will now use a physical sign to lead them to the spiritual truth. Lazarus' resuscitation will be the sign. "Lazarus come out," is a strong protest that Jesus is the Lord of Life and of death. Jesus is truly the 'Resurrection and the Life'.

Blessings - Fr. Glen

Please pray for those who are sick, recovering from surgery or needing our prayers, especially: Angela Marsden & daughter Janet, Shona Sullivan, Grevall 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, Ivan Grbin, Brian Henry and Jill Saintsbury, Felicity Gonzales Malanay (sister of Fe & Ell), Annie and Murray Hensley.

PARISH OF ST PETER - Waiheke Island

P.O. Box 19, Oneroa, Waiheke Island | www.waihekecatholic.org.nz

Parish Timetable: **Saturday Vigil Mass** 5.00pm
Sunday Mass 9.15am

Reconciliation Rite I: Available before weekend Masses

Parish Priest: Fr Craig Dunford : 09-303-4509

Assistant Priest: Fr Glenford Lowe
 Fr Daniel Kulangara

Parish Liaison: Christine Sloan (stpeters.waiheke@gmail.com):09-372-3581



Fifth Sunday of Lent / 6th April 2025

'GOD HELPS IN THE HOUSE OF THE AFFLICTED'

Today's Gospel presents us with the 'Seventh SIGN' in the Gospel of John. The focus is on Lazarus of Bethany. Names are important. Bethany means 'the House of the afflicted' while Lazarus means 'God helps'. This is therefore the story of how God helps in the house of the afflicted – Mary and Martha included.

Lazarus is not just the brother of Martha and Mary. He is the 'friend' of Jesus. The story will become tense with the death of Jesus' loved one. The question on everyone's mind is just this, "How will the love of God in Jesus respond to the illness and death of one whom God loves?"

If God loves you, then why does He delay in responding? How is love expressed in delay? Where is God when we need him the most in our here and now? The Gospel of John with use the show us how the death of Lazarus will become a 'Sign of Glory' – of God and the glorification of the Son of God. Jesus' identity and mission as 'the Resurrection and the Life' is made manifest in the gospel of today.

Jesus' love for Lazarus brings him back to temporal life. But there is a greater revelation/truth to be comprehended. Eternal Life is God's gift to all who believe. Jesus will choose the path of delay, shedding tears and consoling the bereaved sisters Martha and Mary to gradually lead them to believe in what is still humanly impossible. God's glory goes beyond merely healing people. Jesus will make the impossible possible. For Jesus, Resurrection is not only a future happening, it is present in the NOW. "Those who believe in me. Even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" Martha replies with an assertive yes!

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Hymns:		
Entrance:	212	As Gentle As Silent
Offertory:		
Communion:	204	I Am the Bread of Life
Recessional:	453	Though the Mountain May Fall

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.

Lenten Prayer Week 5

E te Atua o tenei Wa Tonu, God of the
Present moment, help us to see You
through Your word and time with others
today. Draw us closer to You that we
will hear Your voice and recommit
ourselves to serve and follow you.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ
King of endless glory X 2

Liturgy of the Word

6th April - Fifth Sunday of Lent

Reading I: Isaiah 43:16-21

Reading II: Philippians 3:8-14

GOSPEL: John 8:1-11

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 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

(pray together)

When the LORD brought back the
captives of Zion, we were like men
dreaming. Then our mouth was filled
with laughter, and our tongue with
rejoicing.

Then they said among the nations, "The
LORD has done great things for them."
The LORD has done great things for us;
we are glad indeed.

Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the
torrents in the southern desert. Those
that sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

Although they go forth weeping,
carrying the seed to be sown, they shall
come back rejoicing, carrying their
sheaves.

NOTICES

Parish Donation: To assist our Finance Team, it is preferred that donations and special collections be made directly to the Parish Account - **BNZ – St Peters Waiheke Island : 02-0108-0707710-000**

Waiheke Budgeting foodbank - please place non-perishable groceries in a basket in the atrium.

"Jesus My Light Ministries invites you to a Lenten Inner Healing retreat **4th April 6.30-9pm, 5th April 9.30am - 5pm and 12th April 9.30am - 5pm** (all days inclusive) at St. Dominic Church, 34, Bolton Street, Blockhouse Bay, Auckland. A journey with Christ to release the effects of past hurts/wounds that go back to childhood which can affect us and be stumbling blocks in our journey towards God. Jesus our Healer can uncover and heal these wounds. Come and experience His healing love and be affirmed in your true identity as a beloved child of God. Contact Betsy/Reggis and team 0211653856 or 0274040129."

Retreat for Women: 'Prayer and the Interior Life' **Friday 9th May 6pm to Sunday 11th May 3pm 2025** - with time for Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, Personal Prayer and Spiritual Direction. All women are welcome. There will be sessions on Prayer, Humility and Forgiveness. Early bird registration and details here: www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz

Join us for the 17th Annual Good Friday Stations of the Cross Procession through Auckland CBD!

Each year, hundreds of people from across Auckland come together in a powerful public witness of faith. Gather at 9:00 AM at Albert Park Rotunda. Procession concludes at 11:00 AM at St Patrick's Cathedral. 18th of April 2025

Good Friday Waiheke Combined Churches Walk of Witness Commences at St Paul's Church with Service at 9.30am. Walk of Witness commences at 10.15am walk through Oneroa village sing several hymns and end with **Stations of the Cross at St Peter's at approx. 11.00am**

Easter Ceremonies at St Peter's

April 17 **Holy Thursday** – Mass of the Last Supper – 7.00pm

April 18 **Good Friday** - Stations of the Cross following Walk of Witness – 11.00am approx.

April 18 **Good Friday** – Service – 3.00pm

April 19 **Holy Saturday** – Easter Vigil Mass – 7.00pm

April 20 **Easter Sunday** – Mass – 9.15am

Chrism Mass Tuesday 15 April – St Patrick's Cathedral – 7.30pm

Everyone is warmly invited to the Annual Mass of the Oils where the oil of the sick, oil of catechumens, oil of chrism is presented to each parish in the diocese.

Celebrating Ecumenism and ANZAC

St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church Council and the Armenian Society of New Zealand cordially invite you to attend the screening of the Historic Documentary – **The Golden Chain of Mercy**. Date: Wednesday the 9th April | Time: 6:30 pm – Doors will open for mix and mingle and drinks. 7:20 pm – Introduction. 7:30 pm – Screening starts. Venue: Rialto Cinemas – Newmarket, Auckland. 167/169 Broadway, Newmarket, Auckland 1023 | Tickets. \$30.00 for adults. \$10.00 for children and young people <18 years of age. Note: PARENTAL GUIDANCE is recommended as the documentary contains archival footage of deceased persons.