

Parish of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart



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19 Banff Ave, Epsom, Auckland

27th February 2022 – 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time – Year C

Our Parish – The Week Ahead

Mon. 28 th Feb. 9.15-9.45am	Rosary in the church. All welcome.
Mon. 28 th Feb. 6.30pm	Legion of Mary meet in the church foyer. New members welcome.
Mon. 28 th Feb. 7.30-8.15pm	Christian Meditation at the Mercy Centre. All welcome.
Wed. 2 nd March 8am and 7pm	Ash Wednesday Masses. Bookings required.
Thurs. 3 rd March 1.30-2.15pm	Christian Meditation at the Mercy Centre. All welcome.
Fri. 4 th March 7.00pm	Stations of the Cross in our Church.

2022 Sacramental Programmes FHC Registrations close 28th February



The 2022 Sacramental Programmes in our parish are now open for registrations. Please see our parish website for session dates and links on how to register.

First Holy Communion: click [here](#) - registrations close 28th Feb.
Sacrament of Confirmation: click [here](#) - registrations close 31st March.

Holy Rosary

The Holy Rosary is prayed on Monday mornings in our Church during the School Term from 9.15am. Half-hour duration. We welcome new people. If you need more information please contact Deborah Railey at 0212 689429.

Lenten Giving Envelope Packs

These are now available from the church foyer. You can either use the weekly donation envelopes or a single donation envelope. You may either return your donation envelopes during the parish offertory collection or send them to Caritas directly. A freepost envelope is available for this option. NZ Post specifies that cash must not be sent through the post.

Donations received by Caritas in these envelopes by 31 March 2022 will be sent receipts for the 2021/2022 tax year. Donations received by Caritas after April 1st will be sent receipts for the 2022/2023 tax year. Thank you for your generous support.

Christian Meditation is held at the Sisters of Mercy Centre 104 The Drive Epsom

Monday 7.30-8.15pm (except Public Holidays)

Thursday 1.30-2.15pm

No experience is needed. Just turn up. My Vaccine Pass & Mask required.

Mass timetable at 'Red' Setting

(All Masses require a 'My Vaccine Pass')

Sunday Vigil Mass – Saturday: 5.30pm

Sunday: 9am

(Bookings required for Sunday Masses.)

Bookings close Fridays at 12nn.

Monday: No Mass or Liturgy of the Word

Tuesday: 8am

Wednesday: 8am

Thursday: 8am

Friday: 8am

Saturday: 9am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 4.45-5.15pm

**MASS BOOKINGS
CLICK HERE**

<https://www.picktime.com/olshepsom>

For Mass bookings, please book only one Sunday Mass per weekend so that slots can be allocated to others. Also please remember to make a separate booking for each person who is attending the Mass and to put in your contact number for contact tracing purposes. For those without access to a computer or the internet, bookings can be made via the parish office (Ph: 630-3956).

A reminder that while we are at RED Covid Protection Framework setting, face masks are mandatory at gatherings held in public, including all Masses in our church. Thank you for your cooperation.

Ash Wednesday – 2nd March

There will be two Masses on Ash Wednesday, 2nd March at 8am and 7pm. Bookings required. **Bookings close Tuesday, 1st March at 12nn.**

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ASH
WEDNESDAY



Remember that
You are dust, and to
dust You shall return.
Ecclesiastes 3:20

Stations of the Cross (All Fridays of Lent – 7pm)

Come and walk the 'Way of the Cross' during this Season of Lent. Sr Cathryn will facilitate a prayerful meditation on the Stations of the Cross through prayer, reflection and taize music. On alternate Fridays the Legion of Mary will lead the Stations of the Cross.

7pm Fridays of Lent (from 4th March to 8th April).
Please wear a mask.

Seeking God Together

An opportunity for a small group gathering to read, reflect and share on the writings of an inspirational spiritual author, Fr Daniel O'Leary SJ from his book, "An Astonishing Secret – The Love Story of Creation and the Wonder of You."

An introduction to the book says:

"The book is a call to you to stretch your thoughts and imagination in many ways. There will be ideas about the world and God and yourself that will both trouble and delight your spirit...but it will transform your life. Read the book as you would read a love-letter from God."

Venue: Hou Mana Wai Mercy Wellsprings (Previously known as Te Ngakau Waiora Mercy Spirituality Centre, 104 The Drive Epsom)

Dates: Wednesdays, 10.30am-12nn
May 11, 18, 25; June 1, 8, 15

Cost of book: \$30 This is a bargain!

If you have any questions about this invitation or would wish to join the group, please contact Sr Cathryn Wiles-Pickard who will facilitate this gathering. Mobile: 021 187 5986.

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Pro-Life Group We support the 40 Days for Life Peaceful Prayer Vigil

40 Days for Life: Be a sign of hope this Lent and help save lives! March 2 to April 10 – Monday to Saturday – 7am to 1pm with extended hours on Wednesdays 7am - 7pm. Be a positive, peaceful, and fruitful witness to the precious gift of life. You may be a mother's last sign of hope and her first sign of mercy. The vigil works on a rotating roster of one-hour prayer slots with two to three people needed to cover each hour. To find out more and sign up for your prayer hour(s) please visit fli.org.nz/40daysforlife or contact Simon Archer 021 400 729 or simon@fli.org.nz

Deborah Railey (ph 021 2689429) from our parish will be praying in the vicinity of the Clinic over many days and invites parishioners to join her.

In just over two weeks we'll be embarking on our eighth 40 Days for Life vigil outside AMAC in Dominion Road. We'll be joining thousands of other pro-lifers in hundreds of cities throughout the world, as we pray for an end to the great injustice of abortion.

Every day at least 36 pre-born children are aborted in New Zealand. That's more than a classroom of children gone every single day. Your presence outside AMAC during this 40 Days for Life vigil will make a profound difference!

NZ Catholic

Since we are all back at the "red" traffic light setting, we are providing, free of charge, a digital link to our latest issue.

<https://indd.adobe.com/view/e25bfeca-e399-42ba-9da3-2a0caa12f2ee>

ome headlines for this issue: Bishop Stephen Lowe installed as Bishop of Auckland. Catholic korero on Treaty of Waitangi. Vocations talk at city pub. Seminary rector climbs mountains.

Who is our New Bishop

Check out the diocesan YouTube channel for videos that will let us learn a little more about our new Bishop, Steve Lowe: <https://www.youtube.com/aucklandcatholic>

Mary MacKillop Retreat Centre

If anyone wishes to join our Mary MacKillop Retreat Centre database please contact Sr Jill McLoughlin MBSpirituality@sosi.org.au to ensure you will receive information throughout the year about our retreats and reflections days.

Part Time Lay Catholic Chaplain for Auckland City Hospital

Applications are sought from experienced or otherwise suitably qualified persons for a Catholic chaplaincy position of 15 hours per week as a part of the Catholic Chaplaincy Team in Auckland City Hospital.

Applicants should ideally have completed or be willing to complete a minimum of one Clinical Pastoral Education course or equivalent and/or some experience in parish ministry or other relevant chaplaincy ministry position. For the full position description and to download an application form, please visit www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz under Diocesan Services and staff vacancies. Applications close 4th of March 2022.

Eucharist has been celebrated or will be celebrated for:

Recently Deceased: D.E.Mijares, Carmencita O. De Ocampo, Derrick Rosario, Rita Loof, Hannah Balida, Constantino Mijares, Aileen Leedham, Claire Gabrielle Jew, Esther Purkis, Philip Dromgool, Wim Wouts, Beverley Handisides, Marjorie Sedon

Sick: Sue Wong, Kathryn Badrick, Millie Pacheco, Leo Cassin, Carol Rogers, Lloyd Jones, Corazon Abulencia, Joe & Nicholas Geor, Evelyn Totanes, May Chow, Stephen Wheoki, Leonard Lee, Noel Mijares, Arielle Beatriz Bautista, Larissa Lukito, Peggy Dance, Adrian Judson, Joseph Cave, Perlita Dineros

Anniversaries: Ray Jurie (Jan 17), Peter Foong (Jan 26), Renato Mijares (Feb 12), Dominador Mijares (Feb 17), Edgardo Lim Senior (Feb 20), Patricia Malloy (March 8)

Roster for next weekend: 6th March

	5.30PM Vigil	9AM
Commentator	Peyton Jacinto	Mark Almeida
Reader	Osmitta Francis	Estelle Arts
Eucharistic Ministers	Bernadette Collins Lynette Duncan Sushila Fernandes	Leonard Lee Josie Mijares Chris Naughton
Collectors	Stanley Saw Ashlyn Braganza	Mark Almeida Volunteer Please
A/V Operator	Volunteer Please	Richard Rambaud
Vaccine Pass Checkers	Shee Chow and Family	Mary-Ann Todd Dan Bundy
Counters	Mary-Ann Todd	Peter Leathley
Altar Care	Pat Thomson	Sue Lamont
Flowers	No flowers in Lent.	

Readings for Next Week (First Week of Lent – Year C)

1. Deut. 26:4-10
2. Romans 10:8-13
- Gospel Luke 4:1-13



*"Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."
1 Corinthians 15:57*