

# Parish of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart



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## 20<sup>th</sup> March 2022 – Third Sunday of Lent – Year C

### Our Parish – The Week Ahead

Mon. 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar. 9.15-9.45am	Rosary in the church. All welcome.
Mon. 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar. 6.30pm	Legion of Mary meet in the church foyer. New members welcome.
Mon. 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar. 7.30-8.15pm	Christian Meditation at the Mercy Centre. All welcome.
Thu. 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar. 1.30-2.15pm	Christian Meditation at the Mercy Centre. All welcome.
Fri. 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar. 7.00pm	Stations of the Cross in our Church.

We warmly welcome Bishop Steve Lowe as our celebrant at Masses this weekend. We look forward to getting to know Bishop Steve and hope to see him frequently here in Epsom in the years ahead.

We pass on our condolences to Fr Rob and his family upon the passing of his mother Dorothy. Her funeral Mass is on Tuesday March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10.30am at our parish church. Due to the Covid-19 restrictions there will be limited spaces at the Mass. If you wish to attend please book [here](#) or contact the Parish Office by email ([epsomparish@xtra.co.nz](mailto:epsomparish@xtra.co.nz)) or by phone (ph 630 3956).

Please note there will be no Mass next Tuesday at 8am. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion will be offered next week on Wednesday to Saturday in place of morning Mass.

### 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.

### 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.

### Holy Week – Timetable and Mass Bookings

The Holy Week timetable is available in the church foyer. Bookings are required for all Masses and liturgies during Holy Week. Bookings will open from this coming Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Please remember to make a separate booking for each person attending the Mass – you cannot have two or more names in a single booking. Numbers are limited so please book early to avoid disappointments.

### **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.

**LENTEN SALE – CENTENNIAL BOOKS & OTHER MEMORABILIA** will be **ON SALE** after the weekend Masses during Lent. The book has been reduced to \$20, Mugs \$10 and Rosary Beads (individually priced). Not too late to celebrate 100 years. We still have plans to have our Centennial weekend events once the pandemic is over.



### Planned Giving

If you would like to make your donations via online banking, details of our parish account are below for your reference. Moving forward, if you would prefer to change your way of doing planned giving from envelopes to automatic payments, please contact Chatty in the parish office to arrange this.

**Account Name:** RC Bishop of Auckland Parish Account Epsom  
**Account Number:** 02-0100-0120958-22  
**Reference:** Planned Giving <Your Name> <Planned giving number if known>

### 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: 0211 876 986.

### 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/e7fba446-52c8-4585-aa31-2a70f63285eb>

Some headlines for this issue: Lent leads to foot of cross preaches Anglican bishop. Dunedin rural roadshow gathers feedback. Young adults speak on faith in workplace. Pope Lent message 2022.

### Sunday Mass on Shine TV

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 <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCb7o1XYfQet-mOW1mJSzfow> It is also broadcast on Shine TV Sundays at 2.00pm Free-to-air TV Channel 25, Sky TV Channel 201.

**Kids Korner:** <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/download/kids-korner-3/>  
**Parent Ponderings:**  
<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/download/parent-ponderings-3/>

**Daily Reflections during Lent** Sign up for daily reflections for Lent at [www.foodforfaith.org.nz](http://www.foodforfaith.org.nz)

### Confirmation 2022

Registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation is open for parishioners in Year 6 and above. Please go to our parish website to register or click [here](#). **Registrations close 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022.**

### Baptisms in our Church (March 2022)

This month we welcome:

**Ava, Lucia and Leonardo Hodgson,**  
 children of Daniel and Isabella.



God bless Ava, Lucia and Leonardo.

### Eucharist has been celebrated or will be celebrated for:

**Recently Deceased:** Lily Posa, 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

**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:** Renato Mijares (Feb 12), Dominador Mijares (Feb 17), Edgardo Lim Senior (Feb 20), Patricia Malloy (Mar 8), Tom Skyring (Mar 24)

### Roster for next weekend: 27<sup>th</sup> March

	5.30PM Vigil	9AM
<b>Commentator</b>	Anne Bannatyne	Aldrin Thayalakal
<b>Reader</b>	Peyton Jacinto	Folole Fangupo
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Annette Wilson Grant Barnett Teresa Chow	Nellie Wulf Rebekah Capon Ani Fangupo
<b>Collectors</b>	Marilyn & Vijay Kamath	Nimfa Uy Miriam Hipolito
<b>A/V Operator</b>	Marcus Koenig	Averia Rani
<b>Vaccine Pass Checkers</b>	Louise & Chris Valladares Christine Greaney	Louisa Rani Pio Bankien
<b>Counters</b>	Julia Finnigan	Desmond Fong Tanya Fong
<b>Altar Care</b>	Mary Jackson	Rosemary Trevenen
<b>Flowers</b>	No flowers in Lent.	

### Readings for Next Week (Fourth Week of Lent – Year C)

1. Joshua 5:9-12
2. 2 Corinthians 5:17-21
- Gospel Luke 15:1-3,11-32

