

Parish of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart



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19 Banff Ave, Epsom, Auckland

3rd April 2022 – Fifth Sunday of Lent – Year C

Our Parish – The Week Ahead

Mon. 4 th Apr. 9.15-9.45am	Rosary in the church. All welcome.
Mon. 4 th Apr. 6.30pm	Legion of Mary meet in the church foyer. New members welcome.
Mon. 4 th Apr. 7.30-8.15pm	Christian Meditation at the Mercy Centre. All welcome.
Thu. 7 th Apr. 1.30-2.15pm	Christian Meditation at the Mercy Centre. All welcome.
Fri. 8 th Apr. 7.00pm	Stations of the Cross in our Church.

Changes to Covid-19 Traffic Lights

Changes to Covid-19 Protection Framework guidelines mean some changes to how we operate in our church as well.

1. No more Sunday Mass bookings. The indoor limit at RED has increased to 200 and QR code scanning/manual recording is no longer required. There will be volunteers outside our church who will be doing a head count of people attending our Sunday Masses. The first 200 people can come inside the church. Beyond that, people can gather outside the church if they wish (no limit for outdoor gatherings).

2. Vaccine Pass checking will only be required until this weekend. After that, vaccine passes will no longer be checked, but we will still keep the limit of people inside the church to 200.

3. Face masks are still required indoors.

4. Holy Week Masses and Liturgies: At this point, we will keep the Mass bookings for Holy Week Masses and liturgies as these are usually attended by a lot of people. Please book [here](#) to avoid disappointments.

We will communicate any changes to these settings if necessary.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Planned Giving Envelopes (April-September 2022)

The new sets of planned giving envelopes for April to September 2022 are now available for collection from the church foyer. Please take yours home today.

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. 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. Book [here](#)

Holy Week Ministries Blank Roster

If you are available to serve in the various ministries during Holy Week and Easter Masses and liturgies, please put your name down on the blank roster that can be found in the church foyer. Thank you.

Mass timetable at 'Red' Setting

Sunday Vigil Mass – Saturday: 5.30pm
Sunday: 9am

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

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.

Lenten Giving Envelope Packs

Available from the church foyer. 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 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.

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.



Parish Food Programme - 10 years of Service

We would like to update you on one of the charitable outreaches of our Parish - the Food Programme. Since the Parish Breakfast Programme began in 2012, our Parish has given generously from a Christian desire to "feed the hungry". We didn't have to look far to find families in the neighbouring area in need of support.

For donations to get the programme going, the OLSH School community so generously offered help with funding the programme and delivering the weekly food parcels. This later developed to include the wider Parish community, and with the introduction of the Government 'Breakfast in Schools' scheme, our programme became the Parish Food Programme to include a variety of basic food items.

On behalf of the 10 families we support we continue to thank all the donors and volunteers for **10 years** of kindness and assistance. Without your support this couldn't happen.

Covid and the ever-worsening economic environment has, however, had a negative effect on the Food Programme, for both its recipient families and donors. The need for funding has increased while the amount of donations has decreased. If anyone is able to donate towards providing food support to these families in need it would be greatly appreciated. With your help we can continue to fulfil our Christian desire to "feed the hungry".

Please email:

maryanntodd29@gmail.com Or bbrightwell5@gmail.com

Txt/call Mary-Ann 021 2882850; Brenda 027 6415615

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>

NZ Catholic

NZ Catholic is providing, free of charge, a digital link to their latest issue.

<https://indd.adobe.com/view/020aaf8c-8cb2-45cb-be32-6e89083cecec>

Some headlines for this issue: College name changed after inquiry. Three first year students at seminary. Defeat of anti-life mentality needed for peace. Major reform of the Roman Curia.

Candlelight Vigil for the Unborn

Palm Sunday 10 April – 7:30pm outside the Auckland Medical Aid Centre (AMAC), 283-289 Dominion Rd, Mt Eden. Join us for the final hour of 40 Days for Life and unite your prayers with all those praying globally for the end of abortion. Your prayers save lives, sow seeds of hope and mercy, and will help bring about the end of this great tragedy in our midst. For more information please visit www.fli.org.nz/40daysforlife or contact Simon Archer 021 400 729 or simon@fli.org.nz

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:

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Open Synod Session Come have your say. The Church really wants to hear your voice. Join a Synod listening group (online). Tuesday 4 April 10.00am; Thursday 5 April 7.00pm Register here:

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/open-synod-sessions/>

Upcoming Retreats & Events at St Francis Retreat Centre

Time Out Days – For those who see a day retreat - 9:30am – 2:30pm (\$30 includes lunch) Tue 20 Apr | Tue 25 May | Mon 21 Jun Venue: St Francis Retreat Centre.

Bookings: www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz Tel: 09 625 6651

24Hr Quietude Retreats – For those who seek a short retreat – Fri 7pm – Sat 7pm (\$120pp includes accommodation + food)

1 - 2 Apr | 15 - 16 Jul | 16 - 17 Sep | 18 - 19 Nov: St Francis Retreat Centre. Bookings: www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz Tel: 09 625 6651

The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join them in Taize **prayer for peace in Ukraine** in their Chapel 56 Selwyn Ave, Mission Bay 7.00pm Friday 8 April.

Eucharist has been celebrated or will be celebrated for:

Recently Deceased: Dorothy O'Brien, 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

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: Patricia Malloy (Mar 8), Tom Skyring (Mar 24), Rose Lobo (Mar 26), Celso Sr Abrau (Apr 15)

Roster for next weekend: 10th April

	5.30PM Vigil	9AM
Commentator	Peyton Jacinto	Sarah Crawford
Reader	Priscilla Murphy	Louisa Rani
Eucharistic Ministers	Lynette Duncan Sushila Fernandes Lisette Albuquerque	Deffi Rambaud Amile Salian Priscilla Sevele
Collectors	Lynn Murphy Volunteer Please	Caitlin & Crimson Pomela
A/V Operator	Volunteer Please	Averia Rani
Head Count	Louise & Christopher V.	Pio Bankien
Checkers	Christine Greaney	Louisa Rani
Counters	Mary-Ann Todd Peter Leathley	Sheryl Green
Altar Care	Pat Thomson Sue Lamont	
Flowers	No flowers in Lent.	

Readings for Next Week (Passion (Palm) Sunday – Year C)

1. Isaiah 50:4-7
 2. Phil. 2:6-11
- Gospel Luke 22:14-23:56

