

Parish of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

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24th March 2024 – Passion/Palm Sunday

Mass Timetable

Tuesday: 8am at the Mercy Centre Chapel (104 The Drive)

Wednesday & Thursday: 8am

Friday: 12.05pm (Adoration from 11am)

Saturday: 9am

Sunday Vigil Mass – Saturday: 5.30pm

Sunday: 9am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4.45-5.15pm

and on Good Friday after Stations of the Cross

& the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion.

The Rosary is prayed in the Church every Monday morning during school term at 9.15-9.45am.



Palm Sunday 24th March - Masses on Saturday, 23rd Mar at 5.30pm and Sunday at 9.00am.

Holy Thursday 28th March - Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.00pm followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10.00pm.

Good Friday 29th March - Stations of the Cross at 10.00am. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 3.00pm. Confessions after the Stations of the Cross and the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion.

Holy Saturday 30th March - Easter Vigil at 7.30pm. First Mass of the Resurrection. (Candles will be provided. Please gather outside the church.)

Easter Sunday 31st March - Mass at 9.00am.

No morning Mass on Holy Thursday, Good Friday or Holy Saturday

Candles for Easter Vigil Mass will be provided but if you wish to bring your own, please ensure that you also have a wax drip catcher to protect your hands, clothing, and carpets from wax drips.



Save the Date for our next Wine and Cheese Evening on Saturday, 13th April, after the Vigil Mass. All welcome.

Calling healthcare professionals whether you are a doctor, nurse, or a trained first aider, we are building a list of contacts who may be able to assist in case of emergency during our Masses and other parish events. Kindly email your name, contact number, and the Mass time you normally attend to epsomparish@xtra.co.nz. Thank you.

Meetings and Events in Our Parish

Mondays 6.30pm Legion of Mary meet in the church foyer. New members welcome.

Mondays 7.30-8.15pm Christian Meditation at 104 The Drive, Epsom.

Wednesdays 7-8pm OLSH Music Group practice in the church.

Thursdays 10.30-11.15am Christian Meditation at 104 The Drive, Epsom.

OLSH youth kick-off event THIS SATURDAY 23 March @ 6:30pm in the parish hall, and fortnightly during the school term. With food, games and more! All youth in years 7-10 are welcome. This is a great way for them to have fun, develop leadership skills, catch up with old friends and make new ones as well as to grow in faith, guided by great leaders who live what they believe! Register at <https://epsomcatholic.org.nz/youth/>

PARISH MOVIE NIGHT – Youth Group Fundraiser



After a very long **INTERMISSION** we will be returning to **The Lido on Monday 8th April at 7.30pm**. Our first movie will be **CABRINI**- Arriving in New York City in 1889, Italian immigrant Francesca Cabrini is greeted by disease, crime and impoverished children. She soon sets off on a daring mission to convince the mayor to secure housing and health care for society's most vulnerable. With broken English and poor health, Cabrini uses her entrepreneurial mind to build an empire of

hope unlike anything the world has ever seen. **Tickets \$20 (these are still the same price!)** will be on sale from 2nd March after Sunday Masses (Vigil and Sunday morning). Raffle tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5. **For further details contact Margaret Wong. Mob:0211174505 E: m.wong@slingshot.co.nz**

*"We must pray without tiring, for the salvation of mankind does not depend upon material success . . . but on Jesus alone."
~ St. Frances Xavier Cabrini*

More inspirational quotes from Saint Cabrini can be found here: https://www.azquotes.com/author/25109-Frances_Xavier_Cabrini

2024 Sacramental Programmes

Confirmation & First Holy Communion for Years 4 and above will be on **Sunday, 15th September 2024 at 11AM**. Online registrations will tentatively open at the beginning of Term 2. Session dates are up on our parish website.

<https://epsomcatholic.org.nz/sacramentalprogramme/>

For those who have already received their First Holy Communion but have not yet been confirmed, a date towards the end of the year is still being decided for just the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Caritas Lenten Giving Envelopes

Available from the church foyer and can be returned during the parish offertory collection.

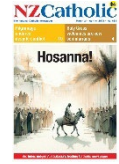
Tea, Coffee, & Company

Please note that the meeting for March is cancelled. We wish everyone a blessed and happy Easter! The next meeting will be on the 17th April.

New Set of Planned Giving Envelopes

Available for collection from the church foyer. If you have any questions regarding planned giving, please contact Chatty in the parish office. The 2023 donations tax receipts will be available near the end of April.

NZ Catholic



NZ Catholic for sale in church foyers again. Price \$4 (unchanged for 8 years). Some headlines for this issue: Dunedin diocese eyes self-insurance as premiums soar; Holy Cross welcomes six new seminarians; Pilgrimage endures despite Holy Land turmoil. As a promotion venture for this issue, the entire current edition is supplied below.

<https://indd.adobe.com/view/a8a79db0-cdb5-472a-85e0-06c5df51e0e9>

Please make sure the money (\$4) is handed to the priest or into the Parish office. *Thank you.*

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

Bible Stories - What do they mean? Join us in unravelling Bible stories and looking for answers within a group, and with Bible Scholar Kieran Fenn fms. Sundays, 07 Apr, 05 May 2024, 5-6pm (Zoom). Koha.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2024/01/19/bible-stories-what-do-they-mean/>

The Mystery of Miracles Mondays, 08/15/22/29 April 2024, 7-8.30pm. \$25/session or \$80/series, incl. study material.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2024/01/11/the-mystery-of-miracles/>

For more information: www.studyjoy.nz

Concert with Fr Chris Skinner SM, Mary MacKillop Chapel, Sunday 7 April at 2pm, Suggested koha \$10

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.

Archbishop Novatus Rugambwa, the Apostolic Nuncio to Aotearoa New Zealand, has left for Rome as he continues his recovery from a stroke. Bishop of Auckland Stephen Lowe, the President of the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference, asks Catholics to keep Archbishop Rugambwa in their prayers. He suffered a stroke last 27 October and has been recovering and undergoing rehabilitation in Wellington. "It is with much sadness that we farewell Archbishop Novatus," says Bishop Lowe. "The bishops acknowledge our deep gratitude for his services to the Church in Aotearoa New Zealand and the Pacific. We pray for his safe travels to Rome, and we invoke the prayers of Our Lady Assumed into Heaven, our New Zealand patroness, for his healing and continued wellbeing."

University Ministry Coordinator – Catholic Diocese of Auckland

Are you a self-motivated relationship-builder who can be the driving force behind a new project? We're looking for someone who answers "Yes!" to become our full-time **University Ministry Coordinator**. You'll be part of a tight-knit team implementing a bold new strategy for ministry to young people in the Diocese of Auckland. To learn more, please visit: www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/

Kids Korner:

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Celebrating-PALM-SUNDAY.pdf>

Parent Ponderings: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/BUILDING-YOUR-HOUSE.pdf>

Shine TV broadcasting of Sunday Mass at 2pm Free-to-air channel 25 or Sky 201.

SAFE CHURCH ~ SAFEGUARDING

As Catholics we believe that every person is created in the likeness and image of God. Therefore, we continue to ensure that our parish is a place where everyone is treated with respect and dignity. We foster an environment which is welcoming, and in which all our parish whanau, including our tamariki, rangatahi, kuia and kaumatua, feel safe.

If you have any complaints or concerns, our Safeguarding Co-ordinator is Louisa Rani and you can contact her by email at epsomsafeguarding@gmail.com. You may also contact the National Office for Professional Standards 0800-114-662 or the police 111.

MASS INTENTIONS

A gentle reminder that mass intentions need to be sent to the parish office at least 48 hours before the day on which mass is to be offered. If the intention is particularly important please make sure to mention this at the time the request is made. As a general rule, Sunday mass is offered for the people of the parish although some exceptions are possible. Please note that if a mass cannot be offered on the desired date, it will be offered on the next available date.

Eucharist has been celebrated or will be celebrated for:

Recently Deceased: Geoffrey Treanor, Antony Porter, Michael Patrick Crosswell, Lloyd Jones, Peter John Hickey, Mary Overend, Chris Walker, Elaine Murray, Margaret Nicholas

Sick: Millie Pacheco, Carol Rogers, Corazon Abulencia, Nicholas Geor, Evelyn Totanes, Stephen Wheoki, Noel Mijares, Arielle Beatriz Bautista, Peggy Dance, Adrian Judson, Joseph Cave, William Wong, Lima Sio Kame, Celia Codoy

Anniversaries: Patricia Malloy (Mar 8), Roquey Almeida (Mar 9), Ivan Posa (Mar 20), Tom Skyring (March 24), Paul Foong (Apr 4), Larissa Lukito (Apr 7), Josephine Thomas (Apr 14), Dulcie Aldridge (Apr 22)

Rosters for

Holy Thursday, 28th March
Good Friday, 29th March
Easter Vigil, 30th March
and
Easter Sunday, 31st March

**Please refer to the sign-up sheet
in the church foyer.**

Readings for next week Easter Sunday

1. Acts 10:34, 37-43
 2. Colossians 3:1-4
- Gospel John 20:1-9



Sign of the Cross (Te Reo)

Ki te ingoa
O te Matua, O te Tamaiti,
O te Wairua Tapu
Amene

Our parish bank account details are as follows:

Account Name: Epsom Parish
Account Number: 02-0108-0707091-000