

## ST PASCHAL'S PARISH

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MASS 10.30am – Sunday

RECONCILIATION – During Exposition or after Mass every Sunday

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Mass 11.00am—Wednesday

SUNDAY 6TH JUNE 2021

READINGS

**BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

Exodus 24:3–8

Psalm 116B

Hebrews 9:11–15

Gospel Mark 14:12–16,22–26

*“Where will you have us go and prepare  
for you to eat the Passover?”*



**MINISTERS**

GREETER: C Jordan

COMMENTATOR: F Crooymans

PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: S Main

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: L Blakey

COLLECTOR: A Fernandes

DATA PROJECTOR: D Chipman

SUNDAY 13TH JUNE 2021

READINGS

**ELEVENTH WEEK ORDINARY TIME**

Ezekiel 17:22–24

Psalm 92

2Corinthians 5:6–10

Gospel Mark 4:26–34

*“ Then Jesus entered a house, and  
again a crowd gathered so that he and  
his disciples were not even able to eat.”*



**MINISTERS**

GREETER: K Brydon

COMMENTATOR: F Crooymans

PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: F Chaplow

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: D Chipman

COLLECTOR: S Crooymans

DATA PROJECTOR: Bradley Fernandes

### THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

The purpose of Eucharist is to 'thank, glorify, love and serve God with our lives. In a true manner, the Eucharist only makes sense when it becomes Eucharist in action. Jesus gives himself as food and drink to his followers. Obviously, it has cultic and ritualistic dimensions. While continuing with the tradition, Jesus also brings newer elements: love and service are intertwined into a ritual. Sharing the meal and washing of the feet go together. "Anyone who eats this bread will live forever" Whenever we come to the Eucharist, we make a number of important statements. We acknowledge Jesus as living bread of life, as the one who alone can satisfy our deepest hunger. We also declare that we will throw in our lot with him, as it were, that we will follow in his way and be faithful to him all our lives, in response to his faithfulness to us. In that sense, celebrating the Eucharist is not something we should take for granted. Our familiarity with the Eucharist and the frequency with which we celebrate it can dull our senses to the full significance of what we are doing. Every time we gather for the Eucharist, we find ourselves once more in that upper room with the first disciples, during Jesus' last supper.

Let's pray: Lord, give us the grace that we may move from ritual to reality to serve the world in our daily actions. Amen.

Father Vally

### ACCOMMODATION NEEDED

Sr Tina Kapeli has returned to NZ after leaving us 5 years ago to take up a position in North Western Australia. Sr Tina has been in touch and is very keen to return to Ngatea to again be part of our Parish albeit on a more part time basis. The Parish Council are also very keen to have Sister back working with us providing a caring/visiting and Pastoral ministry.

But, for this to happen we need to source some suitable rental accommodation for Sr Tina. **Can anyone help?** Ideally we need something in Ngatea and preferably something small – a Granny Flat would be ideal, but at this point we will consider anything. **Please contact Stephen 0274673209 or Robert 0274906060 if you have any suggestions.**

**Congratulations to Sr Paula who recently celebrated 60 years of Religious Life.**



Every celebration of the Eucharist is a ray of light of the unsetting sun that is the Risen Jesus Christ.

To participate in Mass, especially on Sunday, means entering in the victory of the Risen, being illuminated by his light, warmed by his warmth." Pope Francis

The Passover is an important Jewish feast which commemorates the deliverance of the people of Israel from slavery in Egypt (see Exodus 12:1–13:16). The blood of a sacrificed lamb was daubed on the doorposts of the homes of the Jews so the angel of death would 'pass over' their dwellings and kill only the first born of the Egyptians.

This text is an example of the classic 'Marcan sandwich' where Mark introduces a theme or episode, interrupts it with another seemingly unrelated aspect and then returns to the original and unifies the two. This literary device helps build tension and suspense. At issue here is the opposition of his family and the dispute on blasphemy. What comes immediately before this text in Mark's Gospel is a list of the twelve whom Jesus has chosen - his new family. Family now goes beyond birth lines but encompasses all those who do the will of God.

The scribes 'from Jerusalem' accuse Jesus of blasphemy and acting for Satan. They fail to see that in casting out demons Jesus is actually undermining the power of the evil one, dividing his 'house'. Instead, the scribes themselves are guilty of blasphemy. They attribute a power from God - the power to cast out demons - to Satan himself. God is willing to forgive all sins but the inability to distinguish good from evil makes one impervious to the presence of God and therefore beyond forgiveness. Those who recognise and do the will of God are the family members who stand united in faith.

IF A HOUSE IS DIVIDED  
AGAINST ITSELF,  
THAT HOUSE WILL NOT  
BE ABLE TO STAND.



#### **Nga Tapuwae Pilgrimage**

The Catholic Diocese of Auckland are planning a Northland historical pilgrimage, Nga Tapuwae (sacred footsteps) for any parish or group or community who would like to participate. All parishes are cordially invited to get a group of people together, to travel the road, hear the stories and remember our catholic roots in Aotearoa New Zealand. This will occur from 6<sup>th</sup> through to 9<sup>th</sup> January 2022 culminating in the celebration of the remembering of Bishop Pompallier's first Mass at Totara Point in 1838. Start planning your group of young adults (20 years and above), hire a van and gather some chaperones now, and we'll keep you updated with details of what the package will provide for your group. Formal announcement and registrations of Nga Tapuwae will occur in June 2021 and registrations packs will be provided prior to travel. Contact Steve Fraser or Joey Bonnevie on 09 378 4380 or email [stephenf@cda.org.nz](mailto:stephenf@cda.org.nz) or [joevb@cda.org.nz](mailto:joevb@cda.org.nz) for any information.

#### **REST IN PEACE**



We extend our deepest sympathy to the Hayward family on the passing of their youngest brother, Kevin. Please keep them in your prayers. Rest in Peace Kevin

Eternal Rest Grant unto Him O Lord.



#### **SAVE THE DATE**

#### **CONCERT FOR INDIA**

Raising funds for Covid affected India

20th June 2021 @ 2pm

St Josephs Catholic Church

118 Church St, Otahuhu

Entry by donation

### MINISTERS – 20th June 2021

GREETER: E Leonard  
COMMENTATOR: L Hayward  
PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: R Hicks  
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: K Hicks  
COLLECTOR: T Finan  
DATA PROJECTOR: R Brydon

### MINISTERS – 27th June 2021

GREETER: M Lynch  
COMMENTATOR: L Hayward  
PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: K Karl  
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: R Foster  
COLLECTOR: R Brydon  
DATA PROJECTOR: F Crooymans

### READINGS – 20th June 2021 TWELFTH WEEK ORDINARY TIME

Job 38:1,8-11  
Psalm 106  
2Corinthians 5:14-17  
Gospel Mark 4:35-41



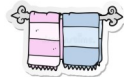
### READINGS – 27th June 2021 THIRTEENTH WEEK ORDINARY TIME

Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24  
Psalm 30  
2Corinthians 8:7-9, 13-15  
Gospel Mark 5:21-43



### CHURCH LINEN

JUNE L Hayward  
JULY F Crooymans



### FLOWERS

WE 12th June J Clark  
WE 19th June Kathy H  
WE 26th June L Blakey



If you have an app on your mobile phone please scan the QR code here every time you come to Church.

### JUNE MEETING

Parish Council—Tuesday 8th  
7.30pm



June	10	Mary McWatters
	12	Frances Chaplow
	15	Yvonne Schouten
	19	Phoebe Main

### CARING MASS

Wednesday the 28th of July, 2021 at  
Christ the King Parish, Owairaka at  
11.30am.  
All are warmly welcome.

We pray for all those who are in need of our prayers, are recovering from surgery or are terminally ill: Caitlin McMurtry, Marie Laurich, Fay Hayward, Maureen Smedley, Mary Speedy, Rodney Garrett.

And those whose anniversaries occur during the month of June: Fred Laurich, Michael Hopkins, Arthur Blake, Dot Kiely, Algar Bath.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.