

## ST PASCHAL'S PARISH

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RECONCILIATION – During Exposition or after Mass every Sunday

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Mass 11.00am—Wednesday

SUNDAY 4TH JULY 2021

READINGS

FOURTEENTH WEEK ORDINARY TIME

Ezekiel 2:2-5

Psalm 123

2Corinthians 12:7-10

Gospel Mark 6:1-6

*'A prophet is despised only in his own country.'*



**MINISTERS**

GREETER: S Crooymans

COMMENTATOR: S Crooymans

PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: A Douglas

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: E Fernandes

COLLECTOR: A Fernandes

DATA PROJECTOR: R Fernandes

SUNDAY 11TH JULY 2021

READINGS

FIFTEENTH WEEK ORDINARY TIME

Amos 7:12-15

Psalm 85

Ephesians 1:3-14

Gospel Mark 6:7-13

*'He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.'*



**MINISTERS**

GREETER: R Brydon

COMMENTATOR: S Crooymans

PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: L Blakey

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: F Crooymans

COLLECTOR: R Brydon

DATA PROJECTOR: J Aralar

### Faith and Trust in God

The trap of familiarity and pride is one which we can all fall into very easily. We often do not mind any advice and guidance given by the people who are close to us. We do not even understand their worth. The same happened with Jesus' own people as they did not accept Him and His teachings. They lacked faith and trust in Him. As it's said, "Familiarity breeds contempt".

The people of Jesus' home town acted as if they knew everything but actually knew nothing. They also failed to know Jesus in person. They knew him just as the son of a carpenter. Jesus, as John the Baptist proclaimed, is 'the Lamb of God' who was sent by the Father 'to be the Saviour of the whole of humanity. The people were blinded by a superficial familiarity with Jesus which caused them to fail to recognise Jesus beyond the guise of a carpenter. The rejection of Jesus by His own people deprived them of the chance to experience healing that Jesus had done in other towns and cities. Yet, Jesus is kind and understanding towards the people, because He loves all. God works wonders among them even when they refuse to accept Him and His only Son. He came down to us so that whoever has trust and faith in Him may not be lost. God acts through each and every one of us. Even though the weakest, he can do great things only when we have faith and trust in Him.

Loving Father, help us to have faith and trust in you. Let us not be faithless even in times of difficulties, pain, and struggles of everyday life. Father Vally

Prophets and prophecy have always been part of the heritage of the people of Israel. The prophets of the Hebrew scriptures were charged with the difficult task of speaking God's words to a people who did not always want to hear such a difficult message, often about their own failings. Prophets were not people who foretold the future but those who had a clear understanding of what God wanted and called the people back to fidelity to God's plan and covenant when they had strayed. Even today, there are people who speak out against the status quo, who refuse to accept that the way things are is the way things should be. Sometimes, the way things are is not the way God intended!

### CALVING TIME AGAIN!

All the best to all our farmers as the calving season begins again. We hope that the weather isn't too challenging, calvings are straight forward and milk payout improves!

### SOLOMON ISLANDS APPEAL

Today, Sunday 4th July

& next Sunday 11th July

In remembrance of Bishop Gerry Loft who was our Parish Priest a number of years ago and who spent many years in the Solomon Islands, we take an annual special collection on the first two Sunday's in July.

All the Parishes in our region still support this very needy mission.

### SOUP AND BUNS

As the winter is now upon us the ladies from CWL are once again providing soup and buns after Mass during the colder months. Donations appreciated



Up until this point in Mark's gospel, the disciples have been travelling with Jesus, listening to his teaching and witnessing his actions. Now they are called to take a more active role. They have watched him drive out demons and cure the sick. Now they are called on to repeat in their own lives and mission exactly what he does himself. This is a great test of their response to what they have learned thus far. They are to take nothing with them but a staff and sandals, the symbols of the wandering missionary. Nothing else is necessary; they rely on God as they follow Jesus. When they are accepted by people, they are to remain with them, a sign that the kingdom of God is near at hand. For those who reject them, simply shake off the dust and continue the journey. As we saw in last week's gospel, nothing can be achieved where there is no faith.



**Rejoice  
Auckland Catholic Festival 2021**

Bishop Pat is pleased to invite you to come together to be inspired, encouraged and strengthened as Catholics at a Diocesan Festival on Saturday 16 October (last Sat of school holidays) at St Luke's Catholic Church and Sancta Maria College. Save the date.

More information at:

[www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/festival/](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/festival/)

**Pax Christi Aotearoa** are offering three online study reflection sessions that will look at the history of the Pax Christi peace movement from its beginnings in 1945 to the present day and seeks to workshop a peace spirituality founded in traditional Maori spirituality appropriate to our own day and to the future. Tuesday 20 July, 27 July & 3rd August 2021 | 7.30pm - 9pm | Presenters: Kevin McBride & Rangī Davis Please enrol by Friday 16th July by emailing Pax Christi Aotearoa

at [paxchristiaotearoa@gmail.com](mailto:paxchristiaotearoa@gmail.com) On enrolment you will be sent the zoom link for the first meeting. Enquiries to Bridget Crisp rsm, Promoter/Manager Pax Christi Aotearoa (021 729944)

**Sea Sunday 11th July**

**Day of Prayer for Seafarers**

The second Sunday in July, is when we come together across the globe to celebrate the role seafarers play in our daily lives. To thank them for the hardships they face and the sacrifices they have been forced to endure due to the Covid lockdowns.

**Merciful Father, bless those who sail the seas. Give them your care and protection in times of danger and, at all times, guide them safely to their destination.**

Jesus is sending the disciples out on a mission. At the end of the Mass, we too are sent out to continue the mission of Jesus. While we cannot all go to foreign lands and far off places, being a Christian demands that we share our faith with others and build the kingdom of God, even in small ways, in familiar places.

Find ways to share your faith and your journey with others this week. This is taking a risk and you may be ridiculed.

Are you able to rise to the challenge?

**MINISTERS – 18th July 2021**

GREETER: F Chaplow  
COMMENTATOR: K Karl  
PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: Bradley F  
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: S Main  
COLLECTOR: T Finan  
DATA PROJECTOR: Brandon Fernandes

**MINISTERS – 25th July 2021**

GREETER: P Hayward  
COMMENTATOR: K Karl  
PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: D Chipman  
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: F Chaplow  
COLLECTOR: S Crooymans  
DATA PROJECTOR: R Brydon

**READINGS – 18th July 2021  
SIXTEENTH WEEK ORDINARY TIME**

Jeremiah 23:1-6  
Psalm 23  
Ephesians 2:13-18  
Gospel Mark 6:30-34



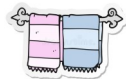
**READINGS – 25th July 2021  
SEVENTEENTH WEEK ORDINARY TIME**

2Kings 4:42-44  
Psalm 145  
Ephesians 4:1-6  
Gospel John 6:1-15



**CHURCH LINEN**

JULY F Crooymans  
AUG P Hayward



**FLOWERS**

WE 10th July A Douglas  
WE 17th July E Leonard  
WE 24th July M Lynch



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

**Parish Council Meeting  
Tuesday 13th @ 7.30pm**



July 4 Kay Brydon  
5 Colleen Jordan  
7 Ross Brydon  
10 Matthew Crooymans  
Annette McWatters  
12 Simon Main

**CARING MASS**  
**Wednesday the 28th of July, 2021 at**  
**Christ the King Parish, Owairaka at**  
**11.30am.**

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, Gina Ryan.

And those whose anniversaries occur during the month of July: Nancy Pye, Claude Mangan, Ted Ryan, Truus Roskam, Bill Hoogeveen, Joe Lighthart, Peter Roskam Snr, Michael Hopkins.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.