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MASS 10.30am – Sunday

RECONCILIATION – During Exposition or after Mass every Sunday

SUNDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2023

READINGS

THIRTY SECOND WEEK ORDINARY TIME

Acts 2:1–8

Psalm 104

Corinthians 12:4–11

Gospel Luke 9:11–17

'And with five loaves of bread and two fishes, Christ fed five thousand men '



MINISTERS

GREETER: Kay Brydon

COMMENTATOR: Dot Chipman

PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: Phil Jennens

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: Robert Hicks

COLLECTOR: Stephen Crooymans

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:

Alice Douglas & Stephen Crooymans

DATA PROJECTOR: Dot Chipman

SUNDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2023

READINGS

THIRTY THIRD WEEK ORDINARY TIME

Proverbs 31:10–13, 19–20, 30–31

Psalm 128

1Thessalonians 5:1–6

Gospel Matthew 25:14–30

'Because you have been faithful over a few things, enter into the joy of the Lord.'



MINISTERS

GREETER: Frances Chaplow

COMMENTATOR: Kathy Karl

PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: F Chaplow

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: Laurel Blakey

COLLECTOR: Robert Hicks

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:

Laurel Blakey & Simon Main

DATA PROJECTOR: Frances Crooymans

Throughout Luke, Jesus teaches that living in God's kingdom means looking to God, rather than human effort, as the ultimate source of the things we need for life. Our labour is not optional, but neither is it absolute.

The Gospel focuses on the miraculous feeding of the five thousand with only five loaves of bread and two fish. The episode commences with Jesus healing the sick and proclaiming the kingdom of God, when his disciples come to him and advise him to send the crowd home so that they would not have to feed them.

God wants us to use our life in a significant way through sharing what we have to those who are in need without expecting anything in return. Simply, because we are not just living for ourselves but we are also meant to console the suffering of other people in the best way that we can.



Join us with Bishop Steve Lowe today to celebrate Phoebe & Patrick Jennens receiving of their Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion.

There will be a shared lunch after Mass to celebrate with the Jennens family!



November is the month we remember our loved ones who have passed on to their eternal reward with our Father in Heaven. Place pictures of your loved ones on the side altar and there is paper for you to write the names of those you wish for us to pray for this month and leave in the "Holy Souls" box. Thanks to Peter Roskam for our new box.

The lamp oil represents those resources we have to meet the challenge of being ready: our actions, our faith, our service to others, our prayers, how much we have loved. It is not that the sensible bridesmaids are being selfish; it is simply that this kind of oil, the way we live our lives, cannot be exchanged. We have to rely on our own resources to be ready. Think about the priorities in your own life. What are the activities which take up your time and energy. Are they the kinds of activities which prepare you to meet the bridegroom?

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Each year we join with the Co-operating Church to make up special Christmas hampers for those in need. Donations of a few 'treat' food items rather than gifts would be appreciated, but please no chocolate as it melts when the office gets hot.

In the Gospel today, Matthew develops the theme of what it means to be living in the in-between time. The master has given the servants 'talents' and on his return they will be judged according to how they have used those talents and whether they have followed his instructions. The reference is to money, a standard measure used in the Near East and a very large sum indeed. In fact, each servant has been given a treasure. Two perform well but the third is paralysed by the fear of taking a risk and hides his talent away. His excuse is that he knew his Master was an exacting man and so he refused to even try. He condemns himself by not responding to the demands of the Master. This Gospel challenges us to drop our false notion of God as an exacting Master, to appreciate the gifts we have been given and to use and develop them for our good and the good of others.



**2023 World Day of the Poor
19th November 2023**

“Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor” (Tob 4:7)

“In this house of ours, which is the world, everyone has a right to experience the light of charity; no one must be deprived of that light. May the steadfast love of Saint Therese stir our hearts on this World Day of the Poor, and help us not to “turn our face away from anyone who is poor”, but to keep it always focused on the human and divine face of Jesus Christ our Lord. “
Pope Francis June 2023

ST PASCHAL’S BANK ACCOUNTS

**HAURAKI PLAINS PARISH
02-0108-0707550-00**

**COROMANDEL REGION HOUSE ACCOUNT
02-0108-0706566-001**

CWL Annual Cake Stall

This will be held on **Friday 24th November** outside Ngatea Meats starting at 8.30am. You are all very welcome to support us with baking, jams, relishes etc which can either be collected or dropped off at the stall.

Weekly Cake Raffle

This will be replaced for two weeks (12th & 19th) with our annual Christmas Cake and Dinner Raffles with tickets selling at \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

Kay Brydon—President
Phone number 021 2681472

RAFFLE BOOKS BACK TO FRANCES OR ALICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE PLEASE

1st Friday of the Month Mass Devotion ends on 1ST DECEMBER.

2024 Columban Calendars for sale—\$12

MINISTERS – 26th November 2023

GREETER: Phyllis Hayward
COMMENTATOR: Stephen Crooymans
PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: Simon Main
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: Dot Chipman
COLLECTOR: Trevor Finan
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:
Kay Brydon & Eileen Leonard
DATA PROJECTOR: Erin Aralar

MINISTERS – 3rd December 2023

GREETER: Moya Lynch
COMMENTATOR: Frances Crooymans
PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: Robert Hicks
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: J Reynolds
COLLECTOR: Ross Brydon
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:
Alice Douglas & Simon Main
DATA PROJECTOR: Dot Chipman

READINGS – 26th November 2023

Christ the King

Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17
Psalm 23
1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28
Gospel Matthew 25:31-46



READINGS – 3rd December 2023

First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 63:16-17,64:1,3-8
Psalm 80
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Gospel Mark 13:33-37



FLOWERS

W/E 18/11 Frances Ch
W/E 25/11 Alice Douglas
W/E 2/12 Advent—no flowers



CHURCH LINEN

NOVEMBER Laurel Blakey
DECEMBER Kay Brydon

NGATEA LIONS CLUB FUNDRAISER

UN-ICED CHRISTMAS CAKES @ \$25

Please see either Bruce Foster or Alice Douglas to order your cakes



Nov 13 Noeline Bath
17 Paul Hicks
22 Connie Schouten

We pray for all those who are in need of our prayers: Mary Speedy, Robert Hicks, Ross Brydon, Michael Lynch and Ray Karl.

And those whose anniversaries occur during the month of November: Terry Mangan, Jane Vaudrey, Eddie Leonard, Essie Scott, Ted Northcott, Peter Osborne, Rae Jordan.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.