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MASS 10.30am – Sunday

RECONCILIATION – On request after Sunday Mass

EASTER SUNDAY 20TH APRIL—10.30AM IN NGATEA

JOYOUS CELEBRATION OF NEW LIFE

READINGS—YEAR C

Resurrection of the Lord's Passion

Acts 10:34,37-43

Psalm 118

Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel John 20:1-9



CHRIST HAS DIED, CHRIST HAS RISEN, CHRIST LIVES AMONG US

SUNDAY 27TH APRIL 2025—DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

READINGS- YEAR C

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 5:12-16

Psalm 118

Apocalypse 1:9-13, 17-19

Gospel John 20:19-31

MY LORD and MY GOD



MINISTERS – 27TH APRIL 2025

GREETER: Eileen Leonard

COMMENTATOR: Stephen Croymans

PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: Laurel Blakey

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: L Hayward

COLLECTOR: Ross Brydon

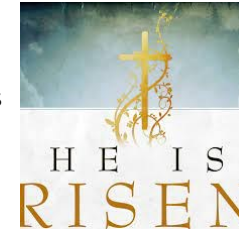
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:

Laurel Blakey & Stephen Croymans

DATA PROJECTOR: Erin Aralar

'After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.'

Spend some time reading the many Scripture texts that have been used in the past three days—especially those of the Easter Vigil liturgy, which trace the relationship between God and his people. The first three texts recount the story of creation, the promise to Abraham and the deliverance of Israel from bondage. The extracts from the prophets give voice to God’s love for his people. The New Testament readings reflect on the final and definitive act of God—the passing over of Jesus from death to life and our sharing in this mystery through baptism. These are the ‘mighty works’ of God done on behalf of the people.



The first day of the week, Sunday, is significant for Christians because of Jesus' resurrection. It is known as the Lord's Day, and it was set aside from earliest times as the day for the community of believers to gather for the Lord's Supper or Eucharist.

DID YOU KNOW?

The burial practices of the time required that the body be anointed with spices; however, Jesus had been buried in haste before the Sabbath, so the women returned at the first opportunity to complete the process of his burial rites.

The first witnesses to Jesus' resurrection are women. This echoes the faith that Mary demonstrated at the beginning of the Gospel of Luke, when she says 'yes' to God's plan for her.

The Jewish Sabbath runs from sunset on Friday night to sunset on Saturday night, so the dawn of Sunday morning (the first day of the week) was when this action could occur.



EARTH DAY— 23RD APRIL 2025

Earth Day serves as a conscious reminder of how fragile our ecosystem can be, and how our actions can have positive or negative consequences on the world we live in. This day serves to ground us in what we need to do to protect our home, and what we can do now, in light of all the damage we have already done to our world. Not everyone has to go out in the streets and protest, but we all need to be reminded to stay in the right mindset -- Not to live in constant fear of the world burning down and flooding, but not to live in ignorance, either.

ROSARY



**This will start again on
Wednesday 23rd April
every Wednesday at 5pm.**

This gospel is one of transformation. Locked in their upper room and huddled together, the disciples' fear is transformed by Jesus' gift of peace and the Spirit he gives to strengthen them on their journeys. Thomas's doubt is transformed by his encounter with the risen Lord. However, with this transformation comes responsibility. Just as Jesus was sent by the Father, so too are the disciples sent into the world to act as Jesus did.

When Thomas's companions tell him that they have seen Jesus, he places conditions on his own faith. He will not believe unless he sees and touches Jesus. Jesus must fulfil Thomas's expectations!



ANZAC DAY—25TH APRIL

Lord, today we pray as a grateful nation in remembrance of those who have fallen on the fields of battle. We thank you for the peace and freedom our nation enjoys as a result of their sacrifice. Help all of us to honour those who have made so great a sacrifice, yet save us from ever glorifying the evil of war. Enable us to be peacemakers.



Also today, Lord, we take time to think of those men and women currently serving our nation on the field of battle. We pray for protection for their lives. May your peace come quickly to the lands where they serve.



PLEASE JOIN US
FOR A POT LUCK
LUNCH
AFTER MASS
TODAY
(27TH APRIL)
FOLLOWED
BY A TRIVIA QUIZ.

ST PASCHAL'S BANK ACCOUNTS

HAURAKI PLAINS PARISH

02-0108-0707550-00

COROMANDEL REGION HOUSE ACCOUNT

02-0108-0706566-001

MAY MEETINGS

CWL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY
2ND MAY AFTER THE 10AM MASS

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE
HELD ON THURSDAY 8TH MAY AT
5.30PM

CUP OF TEA AFTER MASS
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH
NEXT- 4TH MAY
DUTY— Phil Jennens & Josie Clark

CHURCH LINEN

APRIL Frances Crooymans
MAY Phyllis Hayward



MINISTERS – 4th May 2025

GREETER: Ross Brydon
COMMENTATOR: Dot Chipman
PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: Ros Foster
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: F Chaplow
COLLECTOR: Robert Hicks
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:
Fel Aralar & Kay Brydon
DATA PROJECTOR: Dot Chipman

MINISTERS – 11th May 2025

GREETER: Stephen Crooymans
COMMENTATOR: Frances Crooymans
PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD: Dot Chipman
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: James Aralar
COLLECTOR: Stephen Crooymans
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:
Frances Chaplow & Kate Main
DATA PROJECTOR: Frances Crooymans

READINGS – 4th May 2025

Third Sunday of Easter
Acts 5:27-32,40-41
Psalm 30
Apocalypse 5:11-14
Gospel John 21:1-19



READINGS – 11th May 2025

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Acts 13:25,43-52
Psalm 100
Apocalypse 7:9,14-17
Gospel John 10:27-30



BISHOP'S APPEAL 2025

Supporting Auckland Seminarians

With 11 men discerning the priesthood for the Diocese of Auckland, we are blessed with our largest intake in many years. Please keep them in your prayers and, if you can, support their formation.

DONATION ENVELOPES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AFTER EASTER

FLOWERS

W/E April 26th Alice Douglas
W/E May 3rd Eileen Leonard
W/E May 10th Moya Lynch



April 25 Viv Garrett
May 3 Tuscany Main

We pray for all those who are in need of our prayers: Mary Speedy, Robert Hicks, Ray Karl, Michael Lynch, Geoff Patterson, Frank Walsh, June Smith.

If anyone needs Father Rob to visit them phone the presbytery on 07 868 6169 and leave a message. Father will get back to you.

And those whose anniversaries occur during the months of April: Fay Hayward, Mary Young, Des Jordan, Gina Ryan, Seamus Tully, Sr Mary Winter, Martin Kehoe, Fr Munday, Kevin Hayward.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.