

Volunteers for Sunday 12 March & 19 March

	8am		10am		5pm	
	Today	Next Sunday	Today	Next Sunday	Today	Next Sunday
Greeters	Janelle & Frances Sabas	Kay & Irene F	McMahon Family	Lafaele Family	Volunteers Welcome	Volunteers Welcome
Welcome/P.O.F	Dory Murillo	Iteni Helu	Tony Lafaele		Jan Benson Chan	
Children's Liturgy			Ravella / Lesieli	School Assisted Mass		Youth Mass
Ministers of the Word	1.Tonga Helu 2.Lyn Wilcox	1.Judy Nieuwendijk 2.Mary Jane Harvey	1.Peter Fa'afiu 2.Ravella D'Souza		1.Irene Howell 2.Hannah Garratt	
Gifts	Irene Farrell	Jim & Jovie Balle	Dena Family		Volunteers Welcome	Volunteers Welcome
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist	1.Lisa 2.Kay 3.Nellie 4.Wayne 5.Catherine 6.Rosemary 7.Jovie	1.Gerry 2.Elimarie 3.Jomel 4.Jovie 5.Dominic 6.Shakey 7.Nef	1.Allan 2.John Gilbert 3.Fehi 4.Lesieli 5.Kutimani 6.Tonnie	1.Dale 2.Bryan 3.Ismaelito 4.Manase 5.Trish 6.Eseta	TBC	TBC
Altar Servers	Robert, Elijah, Kitione, Peni	Taylor, Olivia, Simon	Jason, Jemimah Deanna, Cedric	Sebby, Chelsie, Arjun, Robert	Simon	Youth Mass
AV Operators	Lachlan	Marius & Madie	Mele	Malia	Haeun	
Musicians	Cameron	Celso/Jay	Kids Choir	School	-	
Mission Shop	Jenni, Irene, Robyn	Returns 16 April	Kim & Paul, Melva	Returns 16 April	-	-

Brass Cleaning: Tuataake Taarie (19 Mar) Silvy Sutanto Lane (26 Mar) Lisa Whiteman (2 April) Kay Whitton (9 April)

Flowers: -



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Sunday 12 March 2023 - 3rd Sunday of Lent



Rosary Times
 Daily at 8.30am (except Thursday & Sunday)
 Fridays **12.15pm**. All are Welcome!

St Pat's Kids Choir
 Children aged 5 -13 are welcome. Practices - Thursdays in term time from 3:00-3:40pm. If you would like your child to join, please email annalynvicente32@gmail.com

NZ Catholic
 The latest issue in your church Sunday Mar. 12
 Latin Mass curbed \$4

Hall Hire
 St. Patrick's Hall is available to parishioners for booking by contacting the Parish Office. Please contact the office for an application form and to check availability.

St Pat's Crafters Group
 All Welcome, every **Mon, 10am -12**, upper meeting room. Bring your crafts and join us for sharing and fellowship. Call Lynette 2385690 or just turn up.

Baptism of Infants - Last Sunday of month at 10am Mass. Parents must attend a course. To register, ring Lynette & Michael ph: 238 5690

Monday Night Prayer Group
 Meet in the Chapel at 7pm, each Monday to read and reflect on next Sunday's Gospel. All Welcome!

Planned Giving
 If you wish to receive a 33% tax deduction for your donations, please join the Planned Giving scheme by completing the form found in the foyer or contact the parish office. accounts@pukekohecatholic.org.nz

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
 If you know of someone who would like to explore the faith and become a Catholic or anyone who wants to discuss their own faith journey. Please contact Neil (021) 072 5963 or Father Robert (021) 1133 840 or contact the Parish Office.

Communion to the Sick
 Unable to attend Mass because of illness? Please contact the office so that we can organise one of our team to visit with Holy Communion.

The Catholic Faith on Demand formed.org
Free for parishioners to Sign Up & Enjoy! Click 'Sign Up', Choose 'Sign up as parishioner', Type 'St Patrick's Church Pukekohe', Click 'Next', Enter your name & email address, Click 'Sign Up' - You're done!

Christian Meditation
 Pukekohe Group, Tues 7pm via zoom Also: An opportunity to join in with a group of people around NZ & around the world. Mon - Fri 5:30pm. 027 647 8000 roanneraine@gmail.com <https://zoom.us/j/6444797955#success>

Reflection

The Israelites' hearts were hardened by their hardships in the desert. Though they saw His mighty deeds, in their thirst they grumble and put God to the test in today's First Reading—a crisis point recalled also in today's Psalm. Jesus is thirsty, too in today's Gospel. He thirsts for souls (see John 19:28). He longs to give the Samaritan woman the living waters that well up to eternal life. These waters couldn't be drawn from the well of Jacob, father of the Israelites and the Samaritans. But Jesus was something greater than Jacob (see Luke 11:31–32). The Samaritans were Israelites who escaped exile when Assyria conquered the Northern Kingdom eight centuries before Christ (see 2 Kings 17:6, 24–41). They were despised for intermarrying with non-Israelites and worshipping at Mount Gerazim, not Jerusalem. But Jesus tells the woman that the "hour" of true worship is coming, when all will worship God in Spirit and truth. Jesus' "hour" is the "appointed time" that Paul speaks of in today's Epistle. It is the hour when the Rock of our salvation was struck on the Cross. Struck by the soldier's lance, living waters flowed out from our Rock (see John 19:34–37). These waters are the Holy Spirit (see John 7:38–39), the gift of God (see Hebrews 6:4). By the living waters the ancient enmities of Samaritans and Jews have been washed away, the dividing wall between Israel and the nations is broken down (see Ephesians 2:12–14,18). Since His hour, all may drink of the Spirit in Baptism (see 1 Corinthians 12:13). In the Eucharist, the Lord now is in our midst—as He was at the Rock of Horeb and at the well of Jacob. In the "today" of our Liturgy, He calls us to believe: "I am He," come to pour out the love of God into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. How can we continue to worship as if we don't understand? How can our hearts remain hardened?
 Yours in Christ,
 Scott Hahn

Mass Times

- 8am 10am* 5pm**
- *Children's Liturgy at 10am Mass (during term time)*
- 3rd Week of Lent**
- Monday, 13 March**
9am (Liturgy Only)
- Tuesday, 14 March**
9am
- Wednesday, 15 March**
9am
- Thursday, 16 March**
7pm
- Friday, 17 March**
9am
- St. Patrick
- Saturday, 18 March**
9am

Medical Emergency Dial 111
 AED located in foyer

St Patrick's Parish Council
 Fr Robert Steele (Parish Priest/Interfaith), Peter Fa'afiu (Acting Chair) Cheryl Surrey (Secretary), Manase Leger (Food Bank), Ismaelito Labis & Allan Murillo (Filipino Group), Jomel Vicente & Daniel Patten (Youth Ministry), Salote Sanalio (Tongan Group), Neil Rutherford (RCIA)

Holy Cross Seminary
www.holycross.org.nz

Notices for the Bulletin
 Please send notices and announcements to the Parish Office **before Thursday** for the coming Sunday bulletin.
accounts@pukekohecatholic.org.nz

"Working Together for a Safe Church"

St. Patrick's Pukekohe is committed to providing a safe environment by following the National Safeguarding Policy

www.safeguarding.catholic.org.nz

A Reminder from Father Robert:

PARISH LENTEN RETREAT (begins this Monday, 13 March)

Father Richard Shortall SJ will host this special Lenten retreat here at St. Patrick's Pukekohe. This Jesuit retreat is so timely before the opening of our Jesuit College - St. Ignatius next year.

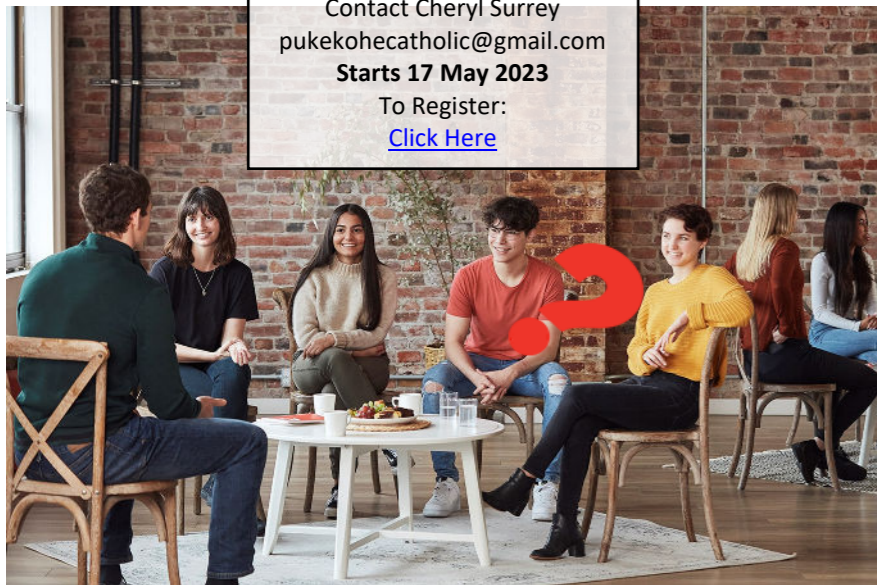
All are welcome to attend this, 5 day, retreat from **Monday, 13th March to Friday, 17th March**. There will be an opportunity to attend either the morning session at **9am** or the evening session at **7pm** but attendance needs to be daily. Each session begins with Mass followed by a talk from Fr. Richard. This is a wonderful opportunity, please consider coming along!

COUNTIES CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Meeting this **Wednesday, 15 March at St Anthony's in Waiuku**, starting with mass at 7pm. New members welcome.

Alpha

Do you want to find out more about your faith? Contact Cheryl Surrey pukekohecatholic@gmail.com **Starts 17 May 2023** To Register: [Click Here](#)



Weekly WCCM Meditation (Cancellation)

Due to our Parish Retreat, this coming week, there will be no Zoom Meditation.

Sacrament Programme (2023)

Our next Sacrament Programme begins after Easter. This programme is for baptised children over the age of 8, preparing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation & First Holy Communion. For more details and to register - email office@pukekohecatholic.org.nz

Lenten Schedule

Stations of the Cross: 7pm - Each Friday in Lent
Overnight Adoration: Following Stations of the Cross - Fridays in Lent. Please add your name to the roster (refer to the office for security /access queries)

Rite II Reconciliation: Tuesday, 21 March, 7pm
Palm Sunday: 2nd April - **One Mass ONLY** - 9am (blessing of palms and procession from back carpark)

Holy Week: Mon 3rd, Tues 4th, Wed 5th April - 8.30am Holy Rosary, 9.00am Mass

Holy Thursday: 6th April - 7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (washing of feet) - Adoration until 10.00pm

Good Friday: 7th April - 3.00pm Service of the Cross - Passion Gospel reading (day of fast and abstinence) - followed by Walking of the Cross to the top of Pukekohe Hill with Stations of the Cross on the way.

Holy Saturday Vigil: 8th April - 7.00pm - Service of the Light (Blessing of Fire), Liturgy of the Word, Exultet, Renewal of Baptismal Vows, Liturgy of Eucharist

Easter Sunday: 9th April - **One Mass ONLY** - 9am

Caritas Lenten Giving

Lenten Giving Packs are available in the foyer for the Bishops' 2023 Lenten appeal. You may either return your donation envelopes during the parish offertory collection or send them to Caritas directly. A freepost envelope is available for this option. NZ Post specifies that cash must not be sent through the post.

Donations received by Caritas in these envelopes by 31 March 2023 will be sent receipts for the 2022/2023 tax year.

Donations received by Caritas after April 1st will be sent receipts for the 2023/2024 tax year. Thank you for your generous support.

The Auckland Catholic Singles Social Group

A few of us started it because we saw a lack of opportunities for single Catholics in their 30s and 40s who feel they have outgrown Young Adults' events. This new group gives a chance for us to meet and socialise with others of a similar age who share our faith. (see poster on noticeboard)

Sunday Afternoon Entertainment (Waiuku)

The Franklin Tenors are coming to entertain us here in our parish hall at St Anthony's on **Sunday 26th March** from 2-3pm followed by afternoon tea. The Tenors have entertained us in the past in Waiuku and Pukekohe. All are welcome and entry will be by a gold coin donation or Koha

Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand Current Vacancies

Executive Assistant

We are looking for an Executive Assistant / Office Manager who will be responsible for supporting our Chief Executive (CE). This role will also provide support to other Senior Leaders as required and work collaboratively across the Organisation. For more information on this role and details for applying, please visit the Caritas website (<https://www.caritas.org.nz/work-with-us>).

Advocacy Advisor Caritas is on the look-out for an Advocacy Advisor to support the Engagement team in delivering high-quality research, analysis, and communications to advocate for justice, peace and development. To find out more about this role and details for applying, please visit the Caritas website

DRCNZ – Lenten Retreat

DRCNZ is organizing a Lenten Retreat led by Fr Joseph Edattu VC, Director, Divine (U.K.) from Sunday **19th March to Sunday 26 March**. No registration fee. All are welcome. Retreat dates and venues below:

Sun 19 March, 2pm -7pm (includes Holy Mass) at Christ the King Church, Owairaka

Mon 20 to Thurs 23 March, 7pm - 9pm at Christ the King Church

Fri 24 March, 6pm - 8pm Hamilton

Sat 25 March, 2pm - 7pm (includes Holy Mass) At St. Therese Church, Mt Albert Road

Sun 26 March, 2pm- 7pm (includes Holy Mass) At Christ the King Church, Owairaka

Contact: Brian 0210309144 / Cynthia: 0210642157 Website: www.drcnznewzealand.org

Catholic Prison Chaplain (20 hours per week)

Currently there are Chaplaincy vacancies at Waikeria Prison and Springhill Correctional Facility. If you wish to obtain further information regarding this important Ministry please contact Sr Veronica Casey, Senior Catholic Prison Chaplain. Mobile: 027 523 3983 or email: vcasey@nzcbc.org.nz

If you are able to volunteer 2 hours per week and willing to **train as Marriage Educators**, then you are just the married couple we are looking for to join our Marriage Educators Team. We are looking for couples married for more than five years with strong Catholic faith to journey with couples preparing for marriage. We are especially interested in couples fluent in English or Māori, Samoan, Tongan, Mandarin, French or Spanish. For more information contact gerrys@cda.org.nz

Caritas Lenten Appeal. Go here for the resources: <https://www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/lenten-week-one-2023/>

Divine Renovation (DR) is a framework for parish growth and renewal - a tool for missionary discipleship. DR NZ are excited to announce an upcoming online event, ***Clothed in Power: Transforming Parishes Through the Holy Spirit***, which will take place on Wednesday 22nd March at 9 AM. Fr John Adams of Christchurch diocese is one of the panel of speakers

Lenten Reflections. Earth Stations - two contemplative evenings on Zoom where the Stations of the Cross will be interwoven with Pope Francis' Encyclical, "Laudato 'Si". Tuesdays | 21st of March and 28th of March 7.00 p.m.- 7.45 p.m. with Lyndall Brown rsj Registrations to lyndalb19@gmail.com 021 185 6750 Details for Zoom will be sent on the day

Lenten Retreat St Mark's Catholic Mission Parish, 334 Pakuranga Road, Pakuranga. 4th & 5th April 2023 7.00pm – 9.00pm Theme: Finding God in All the Wrong Places. Led by: Fr Johnny Go SJ. Join us on Tuesday & Wednesday of Holy Week in the Parish centre. Refreshments will be served. You can also join us via our Facebook page @OfficialStMarksPakuranga and YouTube channel @StMarkPakuranga

Holy Cross Seminary, Auckland, is seeking a **part-time Cook for 30-hours per week over 5-days (Sunday - Thursday)**. Email your CV with Cover Letter to office@holycross.org.nz

Parish Pastoral Coordinator St Luke's Parish Flat Bush part-time 25 hours per week as the parish Pastoral Coordinator. For more information, please contact the Parish Priest, Fr Craig Dunford by email craig_dunford@xtra.co.nz

Receptionist/Administrator – Catholic Social Services, Ponsonby. Catholic Social Services is looking for a part-time (3 days) Receptionist/Administrator based in Ponsonby. For further details please go to our website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz staff vacancies.

The Upper Room An awesome opportunity for young adults to come grab a drink and dive into some relevant topics that don't usually feature in your Sunday mass homily! Join us for an awesome evening, including a fantastic guest speaker (To be announced soon), bar snacks, good music, and even greater vibes! *Event is 18 years and over* Thursday 23 March, 7pm at The Shakespeare. Tickets \$10 available through Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-upper-room-tickets-559216911837> For queries please go to @akcym on Facebook.

Encounter God in awe and wonder in the Mass: each Wednesday during Lent, Zoom 7 – 7.40pm to reflect on Pope Francis' letter: *Desiderio Desideravi*. To register, contact Dianna Fouhy – diannaf@cda.org.nz

Pray with the Sunday Gospels this Lent: each Sunday during Lent, join us on Zoom 7 – 7.40pm to reflect on Pope Francis' letter: *Desiderio Desideravi*. To register, contact Dianna Fouhy – diannaf@cda.org.nz