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### FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B 17 MARCH 2024

Readings: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 50; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33

**Psalm Response:** Create a clean heart in me, O God.

### **REFLECTION ON THE READINGS**

On two momentous occasions reported in all three synoptic gospels - Jesus' baptism and his transfiguration - a voice speaks from heaven, declaring that Jesus is God's Beloved Son. John offers no account of either event. Instead, he records the Baptist's testimony that the Spirit came down like a dove and rested on Jesus, "the chosen One of God" (1:32-34). In place of a fleeting display of glory on the mount of transfiguration, the whole of John's gospel is shot through with divine glory. Thus, the one time a heavenly voice is heard, it speaks of glory. Jesus immediately presents his coming death as a triumph over death. Raised on high, he will draw all people into the glorious love he shares with the Father.

(Break Open the Word p 50)

# STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

St Joseph's Helensville - **7:00 pm every Thursday evening.** 

St Patrick's Huapai - 9:30am before 10:00am Mass every Friday morning.

# PARISH RITE ONE LENTEN RECONCILIATION

Especially for those who are working during the day, please avail yourself of the evening Rite I Reconciliation (Confession):

**St Joseph's Helensville** - 7:00pm every Thursday evening during the Station of the Cross.

**St Patrick's Huapai** - 6:45pm every Wednesday during Adoration, Holy Rosary and Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help.

### **PARISH NOTICES:**

WE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED - Victoria Mary Theresa (Terri) Smith, Arthur George Colville and AJ Holly (baby of Megan and Alex). Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES WILL OCCUR THIS WEEK: 16/1976 Robert Ferrall, 16/1990 John Doake, 16/2009 Michael Trubuhovich, 16/1974 Duncan McDougall, 17/2010 Anne Bolton, 18/2023 Dianne Rosandich, 18/2007 Peter Hopkins, 18/2015 Bill Moors, 18/2019 Peter Fabricius, 19/2003 Michael Jelas, and 19/2019 Sr Maureen Connolly OP.

WE PRAY FOR HEALING & RECOVERY for all those who are sick in our Parish, those previously mentioned and also: Mary Evans, Pearl Parkinson, Michael Davis, Caroline Francis, Herb Wildhaber, Ross Kerr-Taylor, Barbara Honeycombe, Richard Den Haan, Bev Walsh, baby Finn Preston, Kath Butcher, Kath Ashby, Colleen Keliher, Doris Escandor, Josephine Clough and those who have undergone surgery in recent weeks.

Let Fr Carlos know if you have relatives in hospital or at home to visit.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2024 (Confirmation and First Holy Communion) - Lessons will start in May. To enrol your child for the Sacramental Programme, they need to be seven years or older. Please ask Monica 0211422940 if you have any questions.

Please email your child's full name and age, and send a copy of your child's Baptism certificate office@helensvillecatholic.org.nz.

### SAINT JOSEPH FEAST DAY MASS! Tuesday, 19 March 2024

Our Patron St Joseph Feast Day is on Tuesday, 19 March 2024. Please avail yourself with the two Masses in our parish to celebrate one of our patronal feast day:

St Patrick's Huapai - 10:00am St Joseph's Helensville - 7:00pm

### COLLECTIONS FOR LAST WEEKEND -

\$500.30, 2nd collection \$200.40. Thank you for your generosity. If you are donating online, please put in the reference number on your tax receipt.

### PARISH PLANNED GIVING PROGRAMME

Please support our Parish by joining the Planned Giving Programme. Copies of Pledge Forms are in both foyers.

**For Automatic Payments - the Parish Account is 02-0108-0706929-000.** If you can, please sign in for the Automatic Payment of your weekly donations.

CHURCH CLEANING, VACUUMING AND FLOWER ROSTER FOR HELENSVILLE - If you are willing to join in, Danny would love to include you on the new roster. Please phone: 022 617 4405, or 420 5326

**SAFEGUARDING** - Volunteers who take Children's Liturgy or who take the Eucharist to the housebound need to attend a diocesan safeguarding workshop. The next one in our area is in Henderson on Tuesday, **30 April**. Please email the office if you are interested..

# The Time is Now! Ko Tênei tonu te Wā!

The Bishops' Lent Appeal 2024 needs your help to reach our crucial target.

The Lent Appeal is our largest campaign, and is crucial to ensuring our mission supporting the poor and vulnerable continues - that's why we need your support to reach our crucial target.

# PLEASE TAKE A CARITAS ENVELOPE FOR YOUR DONATION.

This is the last week of Lent. You may either return your donation envelopes during the parish offertory collection or send them to Caritas directly using the freepost option with the envelope.

#### **DIOCESAN NOTICES**

NZ CATHOLIC - The latest issue 10-23 Mar is out now. NZ Catholic for sale in the church foyers. Price \$4 (unchanged for 8 years). Some headlines for this issue: NZ Catholic Church faces engagement and giving challenges, survey shows; Wellington priest appointed seminary rector; PN Bishop argues for Catholic thought in the public square today.

JESUS TELLS US HE LOVES US AS THE FATHER LOVES HIM...how awesome! This Lent take time to be with Jesus, the Beloved, pondering His Word, sitting with Him in loving silence, and coming together with others to reflect on your living Faith: Word - Wed in Lent 7-7.30pm Meditation - Wed in Lent 6.15 - 6.45 am Please register with Dianna Fouhy, diannaf@cda.org.nz Faith Formation Team.

### LITURGICAL MINISTRY WORKSHOPS -

The Liturgy Centre is offering liturgical ministry workshops across the deaneries, which will cover training/refreshers for Ministers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. These workshops will consist of context, prayer, and practical formation in these areas.

19 May North Shore (St Joseph's

THE NATIONAL LITURGY OFFICE has posted resources for Week Five of Lent. These include readings, prayer, suggested music and a Homily Studio Podcast. Details: <a href="https://www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/lent-2024-week-five/">https://www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/lent-2024-week-five/</a>

Takapuna) 1-3pm, light lunch.

ST JOSEPH'S FEAST DAY - Prayer Ritual to honour St Joseph's Feast Day, Mary MacKillop Chapel Mission Bay, Tuesday 19 March at 5.30pm

# CONSIDERING A CATHOLIC SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR YOUR CHILD?

**ST DOMINIC'S COLLEGE** Open Evening 21 March 6:30pm. **SACRED HEART COLLEGE** enrolments close 5 April.

# TITIPOUNAMU STUDY AND JOY - Woodcraft & Reflections on the Stations of the Cross

Join us where it all began: in the parish hall of Maria Assumpta, Beach Haven. Bill Verryt will display his carvings, and we will pray the Stations of the Cross with the reflections by Beate Matthies. Saturday, 23 March 2024, 10-11.30am. Free.

https://www.studyjoy.nz/2024/02/27/stations -of-the-cross-meet-the-artist/

PRO-LIFE FACTS - So— called "safe zones" are areas created around the premises of abortion providers, where it is prohibited to carry out peaceful, pro-life witness. The Minister of Health has now approved applications for eleven safe area designations of 150 metres around hospitals. A breach of the safe area legislation by any person offering assistance to a woman to choose life for her child could result in arrest, being charged in court and a fine of up to \$1000. www.voiceforlife.org.nz

GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS PROCESSION 29 March, we will be gathering once again for our traditional Stations of the Cross procession through Auckland CBD. We invite you and your faith community to join us for this powerful public witness of faith through the streets of Auckland. The procession will begin at Albert Park Rotunda at 9am and will conclude at St Patrick's Cathedral at 11am.

**ST FRANCIS RETREAT DAY** Time Out Day – For those who seek a day retreat - 9:30am – 2:30pm (\$30 includes lunch) | Thu 21 Mar www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz or call 09 625 6651

### **Daily Readings for Next Week**

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Monday St Patrick	Jeremiah 1:4-9; Psalm 106; Acts 13:46-49; Luke 10:1-2,17-20
Tuesday St Joseph	2 Samuel 7;4-5,12-14,16: Psalm 89; Romans 4:13,16-18; Luke 2:41-51
Wednesday	Daniel 3:14-20,24-25; Cant. Dan; John 8:31-42
Thursday	Genesis 17:3-9; Psalm 105; John 8:51-59
Friday	Jeremiah 20:10-13; Psalm 18; John 10:31-42
Saturday	Ezekiel 37:21-28; Psalm 31; John 11:45-57

### **COMING SUNDAY READINGS:**

Palm Sunday of Lent Year B 23/24 Mar

**Readings:** Isaiah 50:4-7; Psalm 21; Philippians 2:6-11; Mark 14 1- 15:47

Coming Rosters 23/24 Mar	Huapai Vigil Mass	Helensville Sunday Mass	
Leader	Rob	Kate	
Readers (Lectors)	Gabriella / Irenne / Ron/Claire	Dennis / Doreen	
Extra-or dinary MOE	TBC	TBC	
Altar Servers	Loto	Grace	

Haere Mai (Come)

Nau Mai (Welcome)

Whakarongo Mai (Listen)

### Weekly Holy Mass, Reconciliation & Adoration Times -

	HELENSVILLE		HUAPAI	
Vigil Mass	Weeks 2 & 4	6:00 pm	Weeks 1, 3 & 5	6:00 pm
Sunday Mass	Weeks 1, 3 & 5	9:00 am	Weeks 2 & 4	9:00 am
Weekday	Mon, Wed & Thu	9:00 am	Tue & Fri	10:00 am
Adoration	Wednesday	8:00 - 9:00 am	Friday	10:30-11:00 am
Devotions	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday Hour of Adoration Mass	8:00 - 9:00 am 9:00 am	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday	10:00-11:00 am
Adoration, Holy Rosary and Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Mass		Wednesday	6:45 pm	



**CONGRATULATIONS!** Olivia Kelly, our parishioner at St Joseph's Helensville has been selected to represent NZ in the 17 and under age group by NZ Indoor Netball. This selection is for the NZ Indoor Netball Girls' Silver Team. She will be playing in the upcoming junior tri-nations indoor netball tournament to be held in Auckland in July 2024.  $\square$