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GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY - YEAR B 21 April 2024

Readings: Acts 4:8-12; Psalm 117; John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

Psalm Response: The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

Who can forget what Pope Francis had to say about evangelisers in his mission manifesto, *The Joy of the Gospel*? They should take on, he wrote, "the smell of the sheep." It's a theme he's often returned to since; here's what he wrote back in 2013, quite soon after his election. "An evangelising community gets involved by word and deed in people's daily lives; it bridges distances, it is willing to abase itself if necessary, and it embraces human life, touching the suffering flesh of Christ in others. Evangelisers thus take on the 'smell of the sheep' and the sheep are willing to hear their voice. An evangelising community is also supportive, standing by people at every step of the way, no matter how difficult or lengthy this may prove to be" (24#). As Francis makes clear, we don't do this alone, but as a community.

(Break Open the Word p 76)

CONGRATULATIONS! First grandchild born to Marian and Fons Joosten of St Joseph's Helensville. Son of their son Robert. Welcome to the new baby boy and congratulations to the Joosten family

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2024 (Confirmation and First Eucharist) - Lessons will begin shortly. Last chance to enrol your child. Please give Gillian 027 4163383 your child's full name and age, and send a copy of your child's Baptism certificate to the office:

office@helensvillecatholic.org.nz.

SAFEGUARDING - It is **essential** that volunteers who lead the Children's Liturgy or those who take the Eucharist to the housebound attend a diocesan safeguarding workshop. The next one in our area is in Henderson on Tuesday, **30 APRIL**. There are several people who have yet to enrol. Please email the office.

PARISH NOTICES:

WE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED - Victoria Mary Theresa (Terri) Smith and Barbara Lee Honeycombe. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES WILL OCCUR THIS WEEK: 20/1995 Eric Smith, 20/2012 Denis William France, 21/2004 John Coughlan, 22/2006 Henk Dobbe, 22/2015 Gavan Spillane, 22/2015 Esther Diouela Dujali, 24/2017 Joyce Arnerich, 25/1995 Trevor Gardner, 26/1993 Kathleen Murray

WE PRAY FOR HEALING & RECOVERY for all those who are sick in our Parish, those previously mentioned and also: Mary Evans, Michael Davis, Caroline Francis, Ross Kerr -Taylor, Bev Walsh, baby Finn Preston, Kath Butcher, Kath Ashby, Colleen Keliher, Doris Escandor, Josephine Clough, Peter Tohill, Monica Foster and those who have undergone surgery in recent weeks.

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

VOCATION SUNDAY - In 1964, Pope Paul VI launched Vocation Sunday, which we celebrate on the fourth Sunday of Easter also called Good Shepherd Sunday. This year it is on the 21 April 2024, which marks the 61st Anniversary of World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

As Catholics and people of God, we all know that God is calling us and has a plan for each of us. He called each of us by name through our Baptism to holiness. He continues to call and cry out to us each day to be his disciples, some to married life, some to priesthood, some to religious life, some to live as single people. Everybody is called! What is God calling you to?

COLLECTIONS FOR LAST WEEKEND - \$842.00 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.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY WORKSHOPS - The Liturgy Centre is offering liturgical ministry workshops across the deaneries, which will cover training and 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. Please consider attending our closest one on **19 May North Shore** (St Joseph's Takapuna) 1-3pm, light lunch.

JBL PORTABLE BLUETOOTH SPEAKER - Suzi Smith has donated a JBL Portable Bluetooth Speaker to the parish on behalf of Terri and John Smith in thanksgiving for the beautiful and memorable send-off - a Requiem Mass for our beloved Terri Smith on 21 March.

VOCATIONS SUNDAY 21 APRIL - Today is Vocations Sunday. Bishop Steve Lowe asks us to support our seminarians studying towards their priestly vocations at Holy Cross Seminary. **Your contribution will positively influence the future of the Church here in Auckland.**

www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/donate

Please continue to pray for our seminarians.

NOTE: There will be a Second Collection: TODAY at St Joseph's Helensville - 9am Mass, Sunday 21 April and NEXT WEEK at St Patrick's Huapai - 9:00am Mass, Sunday 28 April

DIOCESAN NOTICES

NZ CATHOLIC - The latest issue 21 April - 4 May is out now. NZ Catholic for sale in the church foyers. Price \$4 (unchanged for 8 years). Some headlines for this issue: Call to reduce pressure on costs for integrated schools. Gaza solidarity pilgrimage in Wellington. Universal safeguarding framework published. Feeling at home in a Christian 'ethos'.

LET'S TALK ABOUT MARY - 8 May 7:30pm Poynton Room, Pompallier Diocesan Centre and on zoom. May is traditionally the month of Mary, so join Sr Sian for an opportunity to explore **Mary**, missionary disciple. Please register pastoroffice@cda.org.nz

THE FIFTH GOSPEL PROJECT - Father John O'Connor's Food For Faith forum is collecting and collating for publication stories of personal experience of God. Send an experience (<400 words - before 30 April) to john@fff.org.nz Info <https://foodforfaith.org.nz/2024/03/tellin-g-the-story/>

RELICS TOUR - From 26 April to 5 May there is a unique and historic opportunity to welcome the relics of saints from both the Eastern and Western Catholic Churches. This promises to be a spiritually enriching experience. www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/calendar/.

DIOCESAN VACANCIES - *Accountant – Graduate Role* - Catholic Diocese of Auckland to assist the Diocesan Accounting Manager. *University Ministry Coordinator* - full time. See: www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/

AUCKLAND CATHOLIC DIOCESE ARCHIVES The archives of the Auckland Catholic Diocese will be providing a presentation, exhibition of items related to Bishop Pompallier and a tour of Bishops House for parish groups. The presentation and tour will take approximately an hour on a Saturday morning. Bookings will be essential. The times will be 9.30 am and 11.00 am and the dates are; 27 April, 25 May, 22 June, 27 July. If you are interested in visiting and connecting with our rich heritage please email the parish office.

A THRIVING PARISH is part 2 of the *Go Make Disciples* series of presentations on Parish Renewal. We will be sharing experiences, challenges, and practical tools and insights to help you as Lay Leaders to help your parish thrive. To be held at 7pm – 9pm Wednesday 24 April at St Francis Retreat Centre, 50 Hillsborough Rd, Hillsborough. Koha.

PRO-LIFE FACTS - Dame Colleen Bayer, DSG, has served for thirty-two years as Family Life International (FLI) Chief Executive, and now her daughter Michelle Kaufman has been appointed as the new Chief Executive/ National Director, taking on the role of leading this vital pro-life and pro-family apostolate into the future. www.voiceforlife.org.nz

TITIPOUNAMU STUDY & JOY - The Mystery of Miracles Mon 22, 29 April, 7-8.30pm \$25/session or \$80/series, including materials <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2024/01/11/the-mystery-of-miracles/>

PILGRIMS OF HOPE - The NZ Catholic Bishops Conference has created a special online page of resources for parishes and individuals to use as we walk together towards Jubilee 2025 -Pilgrims of Hope: check the website: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/about-us/jubilee-year-2025>

Daily Readings for Next Week

22 Monday	Acts 11:1-18; Psalm 42; John 10:1-10
23 Tuesday <i>St George</i>	Acts 11:19-26; Psalm 97; John 10:22-30
24 Wed	Acts 12:24-13:5; Psalm 67; John 12:44-50
25 Thur <i>Anzac Day</i>	Wisdom 3:1-9; Psalm 116; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 12:23-28
26 Friday <i>St Mark</i>	Peter 5:5-14; Psalm 89; Mark 16:15-20
27 Saturday	Acts 13:44-52; Psalm 98; John 14:7-14

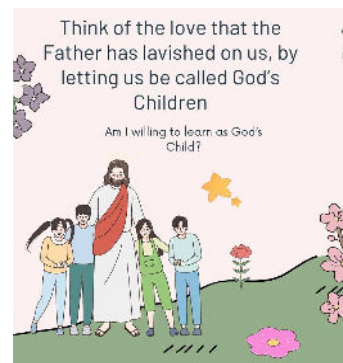
COMING SUNDAY READINGS:
Fifth Sunday of Easter Year B 27/28 Apr
Readings: Acts 9:26-31; Psalm 21; John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

Coming Rosters 27/28 Apr	Helensville Vigil 6pm Sat	Huapai 9am Sun
Leader	Michael	Youth Mass
Readers (Lectors)	Ethan / Olivia	
Extra-or dinary MOE	TBA	TBA
Altar Servers	Grace	Lana / Lathan

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 st Saturday Hour of Adoration Mass	8:00 - 9:00 am 9:00 am	1 st Friday	10:00-11:00 am
Adoration, Holy Rosary and Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Mass			Wednesday	6:45 pm



RECONCILIATION - During Adoration Time and Devotions or at other times - feel free to contact Fr. Carlos on (09) 420 8110.