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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR B 14 April 2024

Readings: Acts 3:13-15,17-19; Psalm 4; John 2:1-5; Luke 24: 35-48

Psalm Response: Lord let your face shine on us.

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

To preach repentance for the forgiveness of sins is what the risen Lord commissions the disciples to do (Lk 24:27). Repentance might strike us as a Lenten, rather than an Easter, concern. A quick glance through a standard collection of Easter hymns reveals common themes like triumph, joy, light, glory, eternal life and feasting, and only occasional references to pardon from sin. It's worth turning our minds back to what many of us heard as we were marked on Ash Wednesday: "Repent, and believe in the Gospel." This brief injunction suggests that repentance is choosing to let go of all that hinders our embrace of the good news. It is a perennial summons to come forth from the grave of our self-obsession, and live.

(Break Open the Word p 74)

CONGRATULATIONS! Olivia Kelly, from St Joseph's Helensville has been selected to represent NZ in the under 17 age group 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

DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN, is celebrating 40 years of ministry to the women of NZ. There are celebration days planned in North Shore, Hamilton and Nelson. For information on these, as well as sharing of memories, testimonies and our current vision, please check out our website:www.dove.org.nz or look for us on Facebook.

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, Arthur George Colville and AJ Holly. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES WILL OCCUR THIS WEEK: 14/2023 Father Mario Dorado, 14/2023 Terrance Mischefski, 14/2017 Lamberto Avanzado, 14/1967 Ellen Hughes, 14/2015 Maurice John Kettle, 14/2016 Don Kiddie, 15/2007 Easton Kiddie, 16/2019 Margot Robertson, 17/1982 Zvonko Mucalo, 19/2017 Edna Gledden, 19/1975 Annie Kane, and 19/2011 Ernest Clifton Smith.

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, Herb Wildhaber, Ross Kerr-Taylor, Richard Den Haan, Bev Walsh, baby Finn Preston, Kath Butcher, Kath Ashby, Colleen Keliher, Doris Escandor, Josephine Clough, Peter Tohill, Barbara Honeycombe, and those who have undergone surgery in recent weeks.

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

Loving Jesus,

After you were raised from the dead, you were recognised in the breaking of bread.

As we celebrate your resurrection, open our eyes to your presence among us, our minds to the Scriptures, and the call to share this Good News.

As the Scriptures continue to remind us how Jesus after the resurrection appeared to the disciples - we are called to pause and consider when and how are we surprised by Christ alive in the people we encounter?

COLLECTIONS FOR LAST WEEKEND - \$698.50 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.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2024 (Confirmation and First Holy Communion) - Lessons will begin in May. To enrol your child for the Sacramental Programme, they need to be seven years or older. Please ask Gillian 027 4163383 if you have any questions. Please email your child's full name and age, and send a copy of your child's Baptism certificate to the office. office@helensvillecatholic.org.nz

SEMINARY COLLECTION / VOCATIONS SUNDAY, 28 APRIL 2024 - The monies collected help towards the fees for the Auckland Students for the Priesthood. As usual, please generously support our seminarians for the Auckland Diocese.

There will be a Second Collection on:
St Joseph's Helensville - **9:00am Mass, Sunday, 21 April 2024**
St Patrick's Huapai - **9:00am Mass, Sunday, 28 April 2024**

DIOCESAN NOTICES

NZ CATHOLIC - The latest issue 7 - 20 April is out now. NZ Catholic for sale in the church foyers. Price \$4 (unchanged for 8 years). Some headlines for this issue: Relics of 11 saints coming to NZ. Hamilton bishop urges blokes to know Jesus. Wellington cathedral to open in June. Divine Mercy advert controversy surprises advertiser.

MARY MACKILLOP CENTRE UPCOMING EVENTS - *A Day with Henri Nouwen* April 20, 10am - 4pm, Led by Eamon Butler Mary MacKillop Prayer Room, 26 Selwyn Ave, Mission Bay.
Card Crafting Workshop Saturday 20 April 10am - 3pm Mary MacKillop Centre, 26 Selwyn Ave, Mission Bay, Facilitated by Meg Hills RSJ, \$35 /\$25.

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/telling-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 The Creation Museum in the US state of Kentucky is a state-of-the-art museum that has attracted millions of visitors. The exhibit “Fearfully and Wonderfully Made” focuses on both scientific and Biblical truth about life in the womb, with breath-taking life-like models of preborn babies. www.voiceforlife.org.nz

TITIPOUNAMU STUDY & JOY - The Mystery of Miracles Mon 15, 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

Monday	Acts 6:8-15; Psalm 119; John 6:22-29
Tuesday	Acts 7:51-8:1; Psalm 31; John 6:30-35
Wednesday	Acts 8:1-8; Psalm 66; John 6:35-40
Thursday	Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 66; John 6:44-51
Friday	Acts 9:1-20; Psalm 117; John 6:52-59
Saturday	Acts 9:31-42; Psalm 116; John 6:60-69

COMING SUNDAY READINGS:
 Fourth Sunday of Easter Good Shepherd Sunday Year B 20/21 Apr

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

Coming Rosters 20/21 Apr	Huapai Vigil 6pm Sat	Helensville 9am Sun
Leader	Graham	Danny
Readers (Lectors)	Irenne	Michelle / June
Extra-ordinary MOE	TBA	TBA
Altar Servers	TBA	Lily

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.