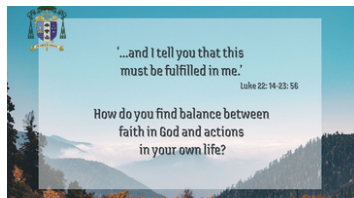




PALM SUNDAY YEAR C, 13 APRIL 2025

Readings: Isaiah 50:4-7; Psalm 22;
Philippians 2:6-11; Luke 22:14-23:56

Psalm Response: My God, my God,
why have you abandoned me?



PRESBYTERY RENOVATION

DONATIONS - Please deposit in the Parish Account 02-0108-0706929-000 using reference code:

PRESRENO2024 and your full name for tax receipt purpose. Remember the Account Name is St Joseph's Helensville/St Patrick's Huapai Ecclesiastical Goods Trust.

For those who wish to make a cash donation - an envelope is available in the foyer of both churches.

Thank you very much to all of you who have generously donated this week. We have a \$2,199.00 donation in kind from a friend in Northcote and \$1,500.00 from a friend in Melbourne.

Security Patrols of the Presbytery The services of North West Security is extended until the presbytery is re-occupied this month.

Remaining works - painting repairs from the blue tagging by the Architect. Genesis certification of the new automatic power meter. Replacement of crack window glass on the guest room. Construction of the front aluminium fence.

You are strongly encouraged to visit the site to appreciate the our renovation project and see where donations went.

Thank you very much to the many people who have worked hard on this project for the past fifteen years. Together As One, as the Parish of St Joseph's Helensville & St Patrick's Huapai continues to work together - with the grace of God, we can raise the money needed to complete this project.

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

Today's liturgy begins by remembering Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. We read the story from Luke 19 and then the reading of the Passion of the Lord begins in Luke 22. In Luke, as in all the gospels, there is a great deal of material in between Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and the Last Supper and Crucifixion. This material shows the growing conflict about Jesus and his message which ultimately leads to the Cross. The liturgy however brings these events together, making a shocking transition from palm to passion, from "Hosannah!" to "Crucify him!"

The Liturgy of the Word today serves as an overture to the solemn celebration of the Paschal Mystery over the days of the Easter Triduum. Like the overture to a musical or opera, the different themes are woven together. We hear of the Last Supper and we celebrate Eucharist. We focus on the passion and death of Christ in the extended gospel story. We recognise elements of exaltation not only in the entry into Jerusalem but also in the enduring presence of the risen Lord in the Eucharist. The whole Paschal Mystery is expressed concisely in Paul's hymn from his letter to the Philippians.

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WE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

Alex Binnie and Robert Philip (Bob) Clarke.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR THIS WEEK:

13/2024 Barbara Honeycombe, 14/2023 Fr 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.

WE PRAY FOR HEALING AND RECOVERY

for all those who are sick in our Parish including: Michael Davis, Caroline Francis, Peter Tohill, Michael McSheffrey, Mary Papa, Tom and Bev Walsh, Len Dawson, Rosie Ko, Allan and Ross Kerr-Taylor, and Christine Grace. We also pray for those who are preparing to meet the Lord face to face, that the Lord gives them peace.

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

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR BABY THEODORE -

We entrust him to the Lord and pray that he will miraculously grow and pray for wisdom for all the medical staff looking after him. We thank God for the gift of his life.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER IN THE PARISH

Holy Thursday - 7:30pm Combined Mass of the Lord's Supper at St Joseph's.

Good Friday - 3:00pm at both ends of the parish.

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil - 7:30pm at St Joseph's and 7:00pm at St Patrick's.

Easter Sunday - 9:00am at both ends of the parish.

COLLECTIONS FOR LAST WEEK - Church - \$689.90, Caritas \$44.20 and PRESRENO2024 - \$1,930.00 Cash and \$2,199 in kind.

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 up for the Automatic Payment of your weekly donations.

2025 DONATION ENVELOPES please collect your envelopes from the church foyers.

RCIA and RCIC CANDIDATES - Please keep in your prayers, these candidates in the RCIA and RCIC Programme who have been journeying towards receiving the Sacraments at Easter and becoming full members of our parish: Iris, Jenna, Sadie, Ashton, Daniel, Sophie, Judy and Kerstin.

2025 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

Parents with children over the age of seven, who they as First Educators, believe their child is ready to enter and join the Sacramental Programme for 2025, and who have not contacted Gillian (for Huapai) please email- gillian.schloss@gmail.com or phone 027 4163383 or Geraldine (for Helensville) on 021 1608193.

PARISH SECOND COLLECTION FOR PRESRENO2024

- The parish has started paying the \$1,772.10 monthly repayment for our loan at CDF. With this, the PPC & PFC Leadership Team has decided and agreed to have a Second Collection starting on the Holy Week and Easter Celebrations and will continue every weekend until further notice.

Mon 14 Apr	Isaiah 42:1-7; Psalm 27; John 12:1-11
Tue 15 Apr	Isaiah 49:1-6; Psalm 71; John 13:21-33,36-38
Wed 16 Apr	Isaiah 50:4-9; Psalm 69; Matthew 26:14-25
Thu 17 Apr <i>Holy Thursday</i>	Exodus 12:1-8,11-14; Psalm 127; 1 Corin. 11:23-26; John 13:1-15
Fri 18 Apr <i>Good Friday</i>	Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 31; Hebrews 4:14-16,5:7-9; John 18:1-19:42
Sat 19 Apr	

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS

Easter Sunday Year C

Readings: Acts 10:34,37-43; Psalm 118;
Coloss. 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

ROSTERS 20/19APR	HELENSVILLE Sat 6pm	HUAPAI Sun 9am
Leader	please check	
Lector	the Easter Vigil	
MOE	and Easter Sunday	
Altar Server	rosters	



CARITAS LENTEN APPEAL - As we enter the last week of Lent, please remember the Bishops' Lent Appeal for Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand. **Please take a Caritas Envelope at the foyer and put your donation into the collection basket.** As usual, please generously support the Bishops' Lent Appeal for Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand.

CATHNEWS NEW ZEALAND - The Bishops Conference has launched the renewed CathNews NZ project. This ministry supports Catholics and people interested in the Church in accessing news and other content of interest. Newsletters, are sent on Tuesday and Friday mornings. Visit the CathNews New Zealand website and sign up at <https://cathnewsnz.com>

PRO LIFE FACTS Recent court cases in the UK and Scotland have seen pro-lifers penalised by big fines for peacefully witnessing outside abortion clinics. To the surprise and discomfort of the British Government, American Vice-President J D Vance condemned the arrests and fines as attacks on the freedom of speech. www.righttolife.org.nz/

DIVINE MERCY FEASTDAY - Sun 27 Apr 5:30pm at St Benedict's, Eden Terrace. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Blessing of Images, Benediction, Holy Mass, Veneration of St Faustina's relic. You are warmly invited to attend this Feast Day Celebration. Free Parking.

Bishop Steve Speaks - tune into the diocesan YouTube channel playlist Bishop Steve Speaks to hear him reflecting on the readings of Sunday and other moments of conversation. Check out youtube 'Bishop Steve's Messages'.

2025-2026 RCIA And RCIC PROGRAMME - Please see the Notice Boards in the foyer of both Churches of the parish for more information.

WORKING BEE FOR SAINT JOSEPH'S HELENSVILLE - Calling all parishioners of Helensville to help. Both the inside and outside of the Church and its surroundings require immediate cleaning. Also the leaning garden shed at the back of the presbytery is to be demolished after the completion of the renovations. Please contact Nick 021 735828. and John (09) 4208428 or 027 3574921 for more info.

RECRUITING FOR ST PATRICK'S HUAPAI - More Leaders, Eucharistic Ministers and Sacristans are needed for St Patrick's. Training will be given, so if you feel called, please contact the office.

Join us for the 17th Annual **Good Friday Stations of the Cross Procession** through Auckland CBD! Each year, hundreds of people from across Auckland come together in a powerful public witness of faith. Gather at 9:00 am at Albert Park Rotunda. Procession concludes at 11:00 am at St Patrick's Cathedral. 18 April.

VACANCY - The Cathedral Parish of St Patricks & St Josephs is currently seeking a highly capable and motivated Parish Secretary for 36 hours per week. They are seeking a talented person able to ensure the effective and efficient day to day running of the Cathedral office and to support the Dean of the Cathedral. More details www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz

EASTER LITURGY TIMES if you are looking for the times of the Easter Liturgies throughout the diocese they can be found on the front page of the diocesan website <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/holy-week/>.

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	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