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St. Joseph's, Helensville & St. Patrick's, Huapai

## SUNDAY of the RESURRECTION of the LORD

YEAR A 5 APRIL 2026

**Readings:** Acts 10:34,37-43;; Psalm 118; Colossians 3;1-4; Matthew 28:1-10

**Psalm Response:** This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad.



**PLEASE help to contribute to the running of our parish and diocese.**

### Direct Deposit

St Joseph/St Patrick Ecclesiastical Goods trust Account : 02-0108-0706929-000

**Please use your full name for tax receipt purpose.**

**Presbyterian Renovation** - to make a special donation use reference code: **PRESRENO2024**



### Tap & Go Device

Available at St Patrick's Huapai.

Simply select the amount you wish to donate, and tap your card. Online receipts available



### Cash Donation

For those wishing to use cash donation there are collection baskets during Mass. Envelopes are also available to use in both foyers.



### Parish Planned Giving Programme

Pledge forms are in both foyers

## PARISH SECOND COLLECTION FOR PRESRENO2024

- There is a second collection every weekend to help towards the repayment of \$1,772.10 monthly payment for the presbytery renovation.

The mission to which God calls us as his people is the Christian mission, the very same as Jesus', not another. Each of us takes part in it according to our own vocation in a deeply personal obedience to the voice of the Spirit, yet never without others, never neglecting or breaking communion! Bishops and priests, as we renew our promises, we are at the service of a missionary people. Together with all the baptized, we are the Body of Christ, anointed by his Spirit of freedom and consolation, the Spirit of prophecy and unity.

(Pope Leo XIV Easter 2026)

## REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

After Saturday evening, the Easter Triduum has come to an end. The Easter Season has already begun!

After all the energy and effort of the Easter Vigil, there is no room for weariness this morning. Easter is the climax of the liturgical year. Most of the assembly will not have been at the Easter Vigil. Perhaps Easter Sunday is a good day to baptise infants. All the people will have the opportunity to renew their baptismal commitment. Excellent music and fine attention to the proclamation of the word of God are a necessity.

*Break Open the Word p78*

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

Agnes Ward, Patrick Lawrence Clough, Marina Annett, and Julie Colville. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace!

### WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR THIS WEEK:

29/1972 Anne Ranum, 29/2002 Jack Travers 29/2018 Mary-Rose Webb, 30/2004 Ngakau Fenton, 30/2007 Patricia Ingram, 2/2018 Bernice Crumm, 3/2022 Moya Lloyd.

### WE PRAY FOR HEALING AND RECOVERY for

all those who are sick in our Parish community including: Mary Papa, Caroline Francis, Tom and Bev Walsh, Dean Cook, Marta Sturt, Janet Kerr-Taylor, Edith Bubb, Corazon Villanueva, Janimar Marzuki, Vera Holly, Ivan Zaknich, Grahame Edmonds, Francis Casey, Carmel Wilson, Rosa Soriano, Leah Ituralde, Pearl Parkinson, Cynthia Linderboom, Rosie Ko, and Ryan Scott.

We also pray for those who are preparing to meet the Lord face to face, that He gives them peace.

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

**CONGRATULATIONS** - to these adults and children who were received into fullness of life in the Church at the Easter Vigil Mass- Oisin, Megan, Coralee, James and Andrew; Riley, Cassie and Layla.

**THANK YOU** to everyone in the parish, coordinators of our liturgical ministries, our wonderful choirs and musicians, all our liturgical ministers, sacristans, altar servers and the many volunteers who helped make this year's Holy Week and Easter Vigil such an inspirational experience of faith. **THANK YOU!!!** and **BLESSED & HAPPY EASTER TO YOU ALL** from Fr Carlos

### COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND - CHURCH -

\$451.20, PRESRENO - \$233.40, TAP&GO - \$TBA HOLY PLACES - \$20.00. Thank you for your generosity.

If you are donating online, please put the reference number on your tax receipt.

2026 Planned Giving envelopes are in both church foyers for collection.

**YOUTH GROUP** - The Youth Group is taking a break for the school holidays. Teens are encouraged to participate in the Good Friday service and Masses over the Easter Triduum. See you next term!

**MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** - Volunteers are needed at St Patrick's Huapai to become Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion during Mass and for the Sick, and Leaders. Remember, the Lord Jesus said, "the harvest is rich but labourers are few." Training and support will be given. Interested in finding out more, see Julie after Mass.

### 2026 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME -

Parents with children over the age of seven who believe their child is ready to begin the Sacramental Programme in 2026. Please contact Gillian (for Huapai) email [gillian.schloss@gmail.com](mailto:gillian.schloss@gmail.com) or phone 027 4163383. For Helensville please contact Geraldine on 021 1608193.

### 2026-2027 RCIA And RCIC PROGRAMME -

If you know people who are interested in learning about the faith or who have children over 7 years old in need of baptism please see the Notice Boards in the foyer of both Churches of the parish for more information about the upcoming programmes.

### EASTER MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP

Bishop Steve's Easter message will be available on the Diocesan website from Easter Sunday, April 5.

**WEEKLY READINGS**

Mon 6 Apr	Acts 2:14,22-32; Psalm 16; Matthew 28:8-15
Tue 7 Apr	Acts 2:36-41; Psalm 33; John 20:11-18
Wed 8 Apr	Acts 3:1-10; Psalm 105: Luke 24:13-35
Thu 9 Apr	Acts 3:11-26; Psalm 8; Luke 24:35-48
Fri 10 Apr	Acts 4:1-12; Psalm 118; John 21:1-14
Sat 11 Apr	Acts 4:13-21 Psalm 118; Mark 16:9-15

**NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:**

Second Sunday of Easter - Year A

**Readings:** Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 117;  
Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

11 / 12 APR	HUAPAI 9 AM	HELENSVILLE 6 PM
Leader	Loto	John
Lector	Cyril / Poyer	Omer / Kate
MOE	Paul / Rob / Esmie	Geraldine
Altar server	Mckenna / Nakiso	Nick

**HAVEN'T BEEN TO MASS FOR A WHILE?**  
We'd love to see you this Easter



**JOSHUA 40**  
CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

**CELEBRATION WEEKEND**  
14 - 16 AUGUST 2026  
KESWICK CHRISTIAN CAMP  
5 COOPER AVE, HOLDENS BAY, ROTORUA

**DIOCESAN NOTICES**

**PARISH ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** at St Joseph's Helensville and St Patrick's Huapai. Volunteers are needed to be Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament and accompany in prayer our Eucharistic Lord Jesus. Please sign up on the Roster at the foyers of the Church.

**DIVINE MERCY** Feastday 12 Apr 5:30pm at St Benedict's. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction, Blessing of Images, Holy Mass, Veneration of St Faustina's relic. You are warmly invited to attend this Feast Day Celebration. Bring your Divine Mercy images and artefacts to be blessed. Jesus told St Faustina "My Heart rejoices on this Feast Day". Free parking at Wilson's carpark.

**MISSION HUB** In this special session, Bishop John Adams will reflect on "The Holy Spirit at the Heart of Mission," inviting us to rediscover how the Holy Spirit continues to guide, inspire, and empower the Church in her mission today. Together, we will explore how we can grow in openness to the Spirit's movement in our own lives and be renewed in our call to share the Gospel. Mission Hub is a monthly online gathering that brings people together from across the country to learn, pray, reflect, and be encouraged in mission. It's a wonderful opportunity to deepen your faith and be inspired by others seeking to follow Christ. Mon 13 April 7.00-8.30pm Register: <https://bit.ly/apr13zoom>

**PRAYER RETREAT FOR WOMEN** Prayer and the Interior Life' Fri 17 Apr 6pm to Sun 19 Apr 3pm with time for Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, Personal Prayer and Spiritual Direction. The Friary, Hillsborough. Register and details here: [www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz](http://www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz)

**Weekly Holy Mass, Reconciliation & Adoration Times**

	HELENSVILLE		HUAPAI	
Vigil Mass	Weeks 2 & 4	6:00pm	Weeks 1, 3 & 5	5:00pm
Sunday Mass	Weeks 1, 3 & 5	9:00am	Weeks 2 & 4	9:00am
Weekday	Wed & Thu	9:00am	Tue & Fri	10:00am
Adoration	Wednesday	9:00-10:30am	Friday	10:00am-3:00pm
Devotions	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday Details - See Noticeboard	9:00am	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday	10:00am-3:00pm
			1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday	4:00pm-4:50pm
Adoration, Holy Rosary, Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Mass			Wednesday	6:45pm
Reconciliation		During Adoration Time, and after Morning Mass. Other Times - Please feel free to approach or contact Fr Carlos on (09) 420 8110.		

**FLAME OF LOVE DEVOTION** - The Flame of Love devotion is in our parish - a beautiful movement calling us to blind Satan, assist in freeing souls in purgatory and help spread the flame of love which is Christ and the Holy Spirit in our community. Flame of Love Rosary at St Patrick Huapai at 6:30pm on Thursdays, all welcome. Flyers are available in the foyers, please consider joining this grace-filled devotion as we journey together in faith. [www.flameoflove.info/contact-new-zealand/](http://www.flameoflove.info/contact-new-zealand/)

**BISHOPS' LENT APPEAL FOR CARITAS** - During Lent, the Catholic Bishops of New Zealand called on us all to provide for the needs of the poor and the vulnerable through the work of Caritas. Donation to the Bishops' Lent Appeal helps fund Caritas' life-changing work around the world. You can still donate [www.caritas.org.nz/lent](http://www.caritas.org.nz/lent) Thank you for your usual generous support of Caritas.

**PRO-LIFE FACTS** - The ACTIV8 Pro-Life Youth Camp is for pro-life people aged 16-25 who want four days of fun, friendship, and formation during the July holidays. Details: 14-17 July, at CYC Ngāruawāhia. Cost is \$175 (\$150 before 28 April; siblings \$125). Visit [activ8nz.org/youthcamp](http://activ8nz.org/youthcamp) to find out more and register.

**DIOCESAN YOUTH MASS** - Last Sunday of each month 4:30pm Feb - Nov at St Patrick's Cathedral For more info - Auckland Catholic Youth Ministry Team: [youthmin@cda.org.nz](mailto:youthmin@cda.org.nz)

**TITIPOUNAMU STUDY & JOY** Parrhêsia - with Prof Amy-Jill Levine. Jesus is the model of someone speaking truth boldly and taking risks. What can we learn from his example? <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2026/03/28/parrhesia-muffin-talk-with-prof-amy-jill-levine/>