



# Kerikeri and Waitāruke

## Catholic Pastoral Area

Parish Newsletter 2022/28 14 August 2022

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Patronal Feast for Aotearoa New Zealand

1st READING	2nd READING	GOSPEL
<u>APOCALYPSE</u> 11:19; 12:1-6,10	<u>1 CORINTHIANS</u> 15:20-26	<u>LUKE</u> 1:39-56

This Sunday's first reading is chock full of heady, apocalyptic imagery—so much so that it's difficult to understand. When we hear about baby-eating dragons, the sanctuary of heaven opening, and a star-crowned woman standing on the moon, it's understandable that we start to wonder whether St John (the author of the Book of Apocalypse) hasn't lost the plot. Still, the message of the entire book can be summed up in a single word: hope. That same word also describes the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady. St John was writing at a time when the infant Church was engulfed in a horrendous persecution by the Romans, with Christians being martyred in a multitude of gruesome ways. Amidst all of this, the fledgling faith of many early Christians was understandably at serious risk of evaporating. What St John wants them to remember, though, is that God's Church will always be kept safe by Him. Besides this, he is telling his readers that the battle of good and evil which is effectively being fought all around them, has already been won by virtue of Christ's incarnation, death and resurrection. As he says in the last line from our reading this Sunday, "victory, and power, and empire have been won by our God". In other words, nothing—not even the mighty Roman empire—can overcome Christ. This same promise is also given to us by Our Lady's Assumption, with the First reading describing her glory in heaven through its symbolic language. It's that glory which Christ has won, not only for Mary, but also for us, and this is something which is especially important in the face of the hostility towards the Church today. Like Mary, we give thanks today for God's faithfulness to us, His servants, the everlasting love he has shown us and the call to give ourselves totally to Him, as Mary did, so we might follow where she has gone.

*Blessings, Fr Anthony*

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### MASS TIMES

**Holy Family  
(Kerikeri)**

**Sunday: 10:15 am**

**Monday 9:15 am**

**Tuesday 9:15 am**

**Wednesday 9:15 am**

**First Friday**

Holy Hour: 11:30am

Mass: 12:30 pm

**Saturday 9:15 am**

### Reconciliation

**Wednesday**

5:30-6:00pm

**First Friday**

11:30-12:15pm

### SACRED HEART

**(Waitāruke)**

**Saturday Vigil Mass**

**5:00 pm**

The Rosary is prayed before Mass from 4pm

NB: Liturgy of the Word every 3rd Saturday

**Thursday 9:00 am  
(School Term Only)**

### Sunday's Readings, and Rosters for Kerikeri 2022

<p><b>14 August 2022</b> Assumption of Our Lady This Week's Readings: Apocalypse 11:19; 12:1-6,10 1 Corinthians 15:20-26 Luke 1:39-56</p>	<p><b>21 August 2022</b> 21st Week in Ordinary Time Next Week's Readings: Isaiah 66:18-21 Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13 Luke 13:22-30</p>
<p><b>Welcome:</b> Olivier <b>Laptop:</b> Howard <b>Reader 1:</b> Pam <b>Reader 2:</b> Marie <b>Prayers of the Faithful:</b> Cheryl <b>Collections:</b> Rod <b>Min. of Eucharist:</b> Filomena <b>Sacristan:</b> Howard <b>Hospitality:</b> Lorna <b>Church Cleaning:</b> Sue and Murray</p>	<p><b>Welcome:</b> Lorna <b>Laptop:</b> Murray <b>Reader 1:</b> Sue <b>Reader 2:</b> Filomena <b>Prayers of the Faithful:</b> Howard <b>Collections:</b> Wanda <b>Min. of Eucharist:</b> Wendy <b>Sacristan:</b> Pauline <b>Hospitality:</b> - <b>Church Cleaning:</b> <b>Volunteer</b></p>

**Please pray for the sick:** Those recovering from surgery, illness or in need of our prayers, especially Emelisa Abadie, Maureen Clare, John Wigley, Lorna Riley, Leah Goddard, Michael Garrett, Jenny Hope, Bishop Denis Browne, Jason L., Bunny Honiss, Derek Vujcich, Teddy Jacobs, Paul Dowd, Margaret Mary Upperton, Joe Evans, Ann Trenwith, Geoff Davies

*Please keep them in your prayers.*

*We remember those who have died recently:*

Anne Byatt, Simon Barbour, Greta Fisher, Glen Turner, Frances and David Allison, Berthold Shwitalla, Tony O'Sullivan, Ian Lynch, Wendy Millen, Barbara Collins, Leona Job, Tony Gicon, Christine Grey, Michael Rudolph, Metala Rudolph, Wetere Tahi and our loved ones whose anniversaries occur at this time. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...**

**Parish Newsletter:** A reminder to all our parishioners that if you have any items to be included in the Newsletter, please send it to the following email address by 5pm Thursday: [kerikericatholic@gmail.com](mailto:kerikericatholic@gmail.com), or phone 4017429.

## Parish Notices:

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:** 14 August, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (moved from 15 August); 20 August, St Bernard, Abbot, D.

**WEEKDAY MASS:** No changes this week.

**SANCTUARY UPGRADE:** Just a reminder that the upgrade of the Sanctuary is still in progress and parishioners may need to take extra care in a few places. Apologies for any inconvenience this might cause.

**BIBLE STUDY** Holy Family is looking at purchasing a bible-study programme (for the benefit of both parishes). If you are able to host this please let Fr Anthony know.

**CCD TERM THREE:** Classes are again underway for CCD. We have had a great response for teachers and support helpers and now we need more children aged from 6 years upwards. If you know of any children who could be interested, please contact Father Anthony or Sue Nash (ph: 0211716061). Lessons are held at the church on Mondays from 3.30 - 4.30pm.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY ON SUNDAYS** at Holy Family for children ages 4-7 years old. Parent help (or just presence) with this would be gratefully appreciated.

**GIANNA'S CHOICE** offers help and support to *all* women facing an unplanned pregnancy so that they may give life to their baby. For mothers out of Auckland, free travel can be provided for accommodation at St Gianna's home situated close to the motorway south of Auckland. For more information, please phone 0800 367 5433, or email [nzgiannaschoice@gmail.com](mailto:nzgiannaschoice@gmail.com) to request an information pack.

**ROSTERS:** Holy Family still needs volunteers for Welcome, Laptop and Prayers of the Faithful. Please let Fr Anthony or Pauline McKinley know if you would like to help.

**BIBLE IN SCHOOL** started last week at Riverview after a break of a year. The children and staff warmly welcomed the Bible teachers and lessons for next year are confirmed. Many thanks to all who prayed and contributed funds for materials. This is a precious opportunity, so please continue to cover the work in prayer! Thanks, Heather Hackett.

**NZ CATHOLIC IS NOW ON SALE AGAIN:** Still only \$4 a copy (unchanged for 8 years). Your purchase benefits our parishes.

**FEED MY SHEEP:** Your gift of food makes an even bigger difference to the recipients during this difficult and uncertain time.

### FAITH IN (ABOUT) 55 WORDS:

Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory... The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians .

(Catechism of the Catholic Church para 966)

### Collections 7 August 2022:

**Kerikeri: \$232.80**

**Waitaruke: \$40.00**

**Thank you for your kind generosity. God bless.**

## THE MASS— IN NOT TOO MANY WORDS...

We mustn't despise, then, the unconsecrated host which the priest is holding up in front of the crucifix, the drops of wine which are trickling down into the chalice; we must think of what they are going to be. The whole idea of the Offertory is that the bread and wine are something which you hand over to me, which the laity hand over to the priest, to see what he can make of them. That's why I say that this is the point where you come in. In theory, you are all crowding on to the sanctuary, turning the priest's solitary dance into a tumultuous round-dance; all holding out pieces of bread and shouting, "Father Knox! Father Knox! Do bless this one!" That's what the Offertory really is; only you aren't actually expected to do quite that. You are expected to place your body, in imagination, beside the host on the paten, and to say, "Dear God, this ridiculous thing is all I have to offer you; please make something of it, if even you can make something even of a person like me".

Msgr Ronald Knox, *The Mass in Slow Motion*

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### **Parish Pastoral Council**

*Currently in hiatus for restructuring: to return late in 2022.*

### **Finance Committee**

Fr Anthony Trenwith, Bob McKinley,  
Sigit Widodo, Lisa Anderson,  
Marie Byrne.

**Sacred Heart Parish**  
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### **Katekita: Pastoral Care**

Tana Manuel, Maata Job Rakena,  
Mary Smith, Moana Wood, Aroha Henare

### **Finance Committee**

Leon Rossbotham, Debbie McLean  
Margaret Pepper; Ihaka Lenden

**Vaccine passes and masks are no longer required.**

**Masks are still available  
for those who wish to wear them.**

**Your continued financial support at this difficult time is much appreciated. Donations and regular giving contributions can be paid directly into the parish account:**

**R C Bishop of Auckland Kerikeri Parish Account**  
**02 0100 0120958 26**

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