

Kerikeri and Waitāruke

Catholic Pastoral Area

Parish Newsletter 2023/07

19 March 2023

Fourth Week of Lent

1st READING	2nd READING	GOSPEL
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<u>SAMUEL</u> 16:1,6-7,10-13	<u>EPHESIANS</u> 5:8-14	<u>JOHN</u> 9:1-41
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In the first reading for this Sunday we hear about the anointing of David, son of Jesse, who will become the new king of Israel. This is a strange occurrence because it is circumventing the normal line of kings, namely the house of Saul, from the tribe of Benjamin. David is placed ahead of Jonathan, the son of Saul- a lowly shepherd boy is placed ahead of a prince of this world.

We see in David a typological figure of Jesus, the Christ; from obscurity, Jesus comes to us just like David. David, a Shepherd from his birth, and Jesus, a Shepherd by nature. Jesus comes as our Good Shepherd to guide and lead and protect us. We also experience a piece of King David's prophetic literature in the psalm of the Good shepherd. It is a psalm that we all too readily associate with funerals, but it seems a shame to leave such beautiful words and wonderful promises only for such infrequent occasions. It is a love letter between King David and God and, in the inspired words, we see God's generous response to King David. God confirms to him and to all who read these words that those who follow God will lack for nothing, that those who follow God will never want for anything. The generosity of God is best encapsulated by the phrase "my cup is overflowing"; it is an image of superabundance and generosity. God desires to give us more than we could ever hope to contain within ourselves. This image of generosity should elicit from us a sense of trust and a reassuring hope that our King and Good Shepherd knows us his sheep very well and will always provide generously for those who follow him.

Blessings, Fr Tony

MASS TIMES

**Holy Family
(Kerikeri)**

Sunday: 10:15 am

Monday 9:15 am

Tuesday 9:15 am

Wednesday 9:15 am

Friday: 12:30 pm

Saturday 9:15 am

Holy Hour

First Friday: 11:30am

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday

5:30-6:00pm

First Friday

11:30-12:15pm

SACRED HEART

(Waitāruke)

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00 pm

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



Sunday's Readings, and Rosters for Kerikeri 2023

19 March 2023: Laetare Sunday Fourth Sunday of Lent This Week's Readings: 1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13 Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-41	26 March 2023: Fifth Sunday of Lent Next Week's Readings: Ezekiel 37:12-14 Romans 8:8-11 John 9:1-45
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Welcome: Lorna Laptop: Murray Reader 1: Peter D Reader 2: Sue Prayers of the Faithful: Howard Collections: Pauline K Min. of Eucharist: Wendy, Alison & Filomena Sacristan: Howard Hospitality: Nellie & Sigit Church Cleaning: Lorna	Welcome: Olivier Laptop: Howard Reader 1: Aleksandra Reader 2: Marie Prayers of the Faithful: Filomena Collections: Paul Min. of Eucharist: Pauline K, Peter B & Bob Sacristan: Bob Hospitality: Howard Church Cleaning: Marie & Peter
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Please pray for the sick: Those recovering from surgery, illness or in need of our prayers, especially *Shirley Douglas, Pauline Mc Kinley, Wanda Watola, Ron Alsweller, Joshua Chase, Emelisa Abadie, Maureen Clare, John Wigley, Lorna Riley, Leah Goddard, Michael Garrett, Jenny Hope, Bishop Denis Browne, Teddy Jacobs, Paul Dowd, Margaret Mary Upperton, Ann Trenwith, Geoff Davies.* **Please keep them in your prayers.**

We remember those who have died recently:

Fr Mario Dorado, OFM CAP, Fr Leo Doyle, Derek Vujcich, Brian Walsh, Cathy Hill, Msgr. Terry Leslie, Bunny Honiss, Mary Hape, Queen Elizabeth II, Peter Westend, Anne Byatt, Simon Barbour, Greta Fisher, Glen Turner, Frances and David Allison, Berthold Shwitalla, Tony O'Sullivan, Ian Lynch 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, or phone 401 7429.

Parish Priest: Fr. Tony King-Archer.

Presbytery: 6 Cobham Court, Kerikeri;

Phone 021 190 6969 email: kerikeripriest@gmail.com
www.kerikericatholic.org.nz; Facebook.com/kerikericatholic

Parish Notices:

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: 20 March, St Joseph, Husband of Mary; 25 March, Annunciation of the Lord.

WEEK-DAY MASS: No Mass changes this week.

CHRISM MASS: You are invited to attend the Mass at which the Oils to be used in each Parish during the coming year will be blessed by Bishop Steve and which will take place at noon on Monday, 3rd April, at St Francis Xavier Church, Whangarei.

ROSTERS: Holy Family [urgently needs volunteers](#) for all Ministries for the Mass, i.e., Ministers of the Eucharist, Readers, Prayers of the Faithful, Collectors, Musicians, Laptop Operators, Church Cleaners, Hospitality Hosts and Flower Arrangers. Please talk with Fr Tony or Pauline McKinley if you can help in any of these Ministries.

CELEBRATE ST JOSEPH: You are invited by the Centre of Marriage and Family to make a 33-Day Consecration to St Joseph beginning on 30th March and ending on 1st May, the Feast of St Joseph the Worker. You can participate as a family or register to join an online group. Go to www.marriageandfamily.org.nz or email [in-fo@marriageandfamily.org.nz](mailto:info@marriageandfamily.org.nz) for more information.

CARING FOUNDATION EMERGENCY FLOOD and CYCLONE RESPONSE APPEALS: Following the Cyclone, the Caring Foundation accepts donations to help Catholic agencies in the dioceses of Auckland, Hamilton and Palmerston North to deliver food, shelter, clothes, other essential supplies and support services to severely affected families. Please donate directly online to the Foundation at: <https://caringfoundation.org.nz/donate-3/>

LENTEN APPEAL 2023: For this year's appeal, the focus is on helping the victims of the recent cyclone and floods, so please donate to the Caring Foundation, as above. We are also supporting the school at Waitāruke. If you wish to donate to the school, please use the parish bank account details (on facing page) using the reference, SCHOOL. Don't forget the weekly collection of canned and other non-perishable foods for local families in need.

FEED MY SHEEP: Thank you for your continuing and generous help. Your contribution makes real difference to the Food Bank's recipients during this time.

NZ CATHOLIC: price \$4 in both churches. Latest issue is available now.

FAITH IN ABOUT 55 WORDS OR FEWER:

God has, in fact, thought of us from eternity and has loved us as unique individuals. He has called every one of us by name, as the Good Shepherd 'calls His sheep by name'.

Pope John Paul II

Collections 12 March 2023

Kerikeri: \$344.00

Waitāruke: \$60.10

Thank you for your kind generosity. God bless.

Catechism of the Catholic Church:

THE DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON

1700 The dignity of the human person is rooted in his creation in the image and likeness of God (article 1); it is fulfilled in his vocation to divine beatitude (article 2). It is essential to a human being freely to direct himself to this fulfilment (article 3). By his deliberate actions (article 4), the human person does, or does not, conform to the good promised by God and attested by moral conscience (article 5). Human beings make their own contribution to their interior growth; they make their whole sentient and spiritual lives into means of this growth (article 6). With the help of grace they grow in virtue (article 7), avoid sin, and if they sin they entrust themselves as did the prodigal son¹ to the mercy of our Father in heaven (article 8). In this way they attain to the perfection of charity.

Holy Family Parish
34 Cobham Road, Kerikeri 0230

Parish Pastoral Council

Currently in hiatus for restructuring: to return in 2023.

Finance Committee

Fr Tony King-Archer, Bob McKinley,
Sigit Widodo, Lisa Anderson,
Marie Byrne.

Sacred Heart Parish
867 State Highway 10, Kaeo 0274

Katekita: Pastoral Care

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

Finance Committee

Leon Rosbotham, Debbie McLean
Margaret Pepper; Ihaka Lenden

PART-TIME WORKER FOR WAITĀRUKÉ PARISH

SACRED HEART PARISH needs a competent person to mow the lawns around the Church. Training on the ride-on mower will be provided and it is envisaged that mowing will be done weekly in summer and fortnightly in winter. If you are interested, please contact Father Tony to discuss the requirements for the position and remuneration.

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

Please email the Parish Office if you would like a tax receipt. For those who wish to continue to subscribe to our Parish Pledge Envelope Scheme, envelopes are located by the Notice Board at the back of the Church. If you are new to the system, please contact the Parish Office so that we can allocate a planned giving number to record your donation.