



Sunday's Readings, and Rosters for Kerikeri 2023

24 September 2023: 25th Week of Ordinary Time This Week's Readings: Isaiah 55:6-9 Philippians 1:20-24, 27 Matthew 20:1-16	1 October 2023: 26th Week of Ordinary Time Next Week's Readings: Ezekiel 18:25-28 Philippians 2:1-11 Matthew 21:28-32
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Welcome: Olivier Laptop: Bob/Lorna Reader 1: Enid Reader 2: Marie W Prayers of the Faithful: Filomena Collections: Paul Mins. of Eucharist: Eileen, Pauline M & Alison Sacristan: Pauline M Hospitality: Eileen & Rod Church Cleaning: Lorna	Welcome: Lorna Laptop: Murray Reader 1: Nicholas Reader 2: Peter D Prayers of the Faithful: Sue Collections: Paul Mins. of Eucharist: Bob, Pauline M & Wiga Sacristan: Pauline M Hospitality: Lorna Church Cleaning: Sigit & Nellie
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Please pray for the sick: Those who are ill or injured and in need of our prayers, especially Helen Foley, Del Drummond, Vera Langton, Brenda Tweedale, Moss Pepper, Judy Poole, Barrett Feldman, Monica Hegarty, Maurice Macken, Pam Scahill, Carmen Evlampieff, Danielle Harris, Pope Francis, Shirley Douglas, Wanda Watola, Emelisa Abadie, Maureen Clare, John Wigley, Leah Goddard, Michael Garrett, Jenny Hope, Bishop Denis Browne, Teddy Jacobs, Paul Dowd, Geoff Davies,
Please keep them in your prayers...

We remember those who have died recently:
 Michael Timoti, Charles Crothers, Fr Michael Hill, IC, Irma Corcoran, David Barrett, Margaret Austin-Campbell, Moira Tracy. Fr John Tollan, Alison James, Fr Mario Dorado, OFM CAP, Fr Leo Doyle, Derek Vujcich, Brian Walsh, Cathy Hill, Msgr. Terry Leslie, Bunny Honiss, Mary Hape, 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 5.00pm Thursday: kerikericatholic@gmail.com, or phone 401 7429.

Kerikeri and Waitāruke

Catholic Pastoral Area

Parish Newsletter 2023/34

24 September 2023

Twenty Fifth Week of Ordinary Time

- 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

1st READING	2nd READING	GOSPEL
<u>ISAIAH</u> <u>55:6-9</u>	<u>PHILIPPIANS</u> <u>1:20-24,27</u>	<u>MATTHEW</u> <u>18:21-35</u>

From a discourse by Saint Andrew of Crete
The cross is Christ's glory and triumph

We are celebrating the feast of the cross which drove away darkness and brought in the light. As we keep this feast, we are lifted up with the crucified Christ, leaving behind us earth and sin so that we may gain the things above. So great and outstanding a possession is the cross that he who wins it has won a treasure. Rightly could I call this treasure the fairest of all fair things and the costliest, in fact as well as in name, for on it and through it and for its sake the riches of salvation that had been lost were restored to us.

Had there been no cross, Christ could not have been crucified. Had there been no cross, life itself could not have been nailed to the tree. And if life had not been nailed to it, there would be no streams of immortality pouring from Christ's side, blood and water for the world's cleansing. The legal bond of our sin would not be cancelled, we should not have attained our freedom, we should not have enjoyed the fruit of the tree of life and the gates of paradise would not stand open. Had there been no cross, death would not have been trodden underfoot, nor hell despoiled.

Therefore, the cross is something wonderfully great and honourable. It is great because through the cross the many noble acts of Christ found their consummation – very many indeed, for both his miracles and his sufferings were fully rewarded with victory. The cross is honourable because it is both the sign of God's suffering and the trophy of his victory. It stands for his suffering because on it he freely suffered unto death.

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Parish Priest: Fr. Tony King-Archer.
 Presbytery: 6 Cobham Court, Kerikeri;
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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)

Parish Notices:

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: 26 September, Sts Cosmas & Damian.; 27 September, St Vincent de Paul; 29 September, Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels; 30 September, St Jerome, priest, D.

WEEK-DAY MASS TIMETABLE: Masses are at the normal times.

DON'T FORGET THE SECOND COLLECTION this weekend for the annual Cathedral Appeal, which supports long-term maintenance of our Diocesan Mother Church, the Cathedral of St Patrick and St Joseph.

THE BISHOPS' ELECTION STATEMENT is available on the Notice Board and copies are also available for you to take home.

EVENING PRAYER GROUP INITIATIVE: At 6pm every day a group of people in Waitaruke have set aside time to pray wherever they find themselves, knowing that others are joining them in prayer at this time to foster a pattern of prayer and to pray for the intentions of the group. Everyone is invited to join in.

ROAD WORKS ON COBHAM RD.: There will be traffic disruption from the 28th of August—30th of November 2023. This may affect us on a Sunday as they will be making the road a single lane at times.

ROSTERS: Holy Family thanks all those who are serving the needs of the Parish. We still need volunteers for most Ministries, especially for: 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.

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: \$4 in both churches. The 24 Sept –7 Oct. issue is now available.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS FOR 2024 are now on sale, priced \$12.

Faith in 55 words or fewer -

God is always trying to give good things to us,
but our hands are too full to receive them.

-Saint Augustine

Collections 16 & 17 September 2023

Kerikeri: \$350.00

Waitaruke: \$62.00

Thank you for your kind generosity. God bless.

Cont'd from page 1: *From a discourse by Saint Andrew of Crete*

The cross is Christ's glory and triumph

But it is also his trophy because it was the means by which the devil was wounded and death conquered; the barred gates of hell were smashed, and the cross became the one common salvation of the whole world.

The cross is called Christ's glory; it is saluted as his triumph. We recognise it as the cup he longed to drink and the climax of the sufferings he endured for our sake. As to the cross being Christ's glory, listen to his words: *Now is the Son of Man glorified, and in him God is glorified, and God will glorify him at once.* And again: *Father, glorify me with the glory I had with you before the world came to be.* And once more: *"Father, glorify your name."* Then a voice came from heaven: *"I have glorified it and will glorify it again."* Here he speaks of the glory that would accrue to him through the cross. And if you would understand that the cross is Christ's triumph, hear what he himself also said: *When I am lifted up, then I will draw all men to myself.* Now you can see that the cross is Christ's glory and triumph.

Blessings, Fr Tony

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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

Maata Job Rakena,
Mary Smith, Aroha Henare.

Finance Committee

Leon Rossbotham, Debbie McLean,
Ihaka Lenden, Hannah Da Via

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

HOLY FAMILY KERIKERI ECCLESIASTICAL GOODS TRUST
02-0108-0708772-000

WAITĀRUKÉ PARISH NEW BANK ACCOUNT
02-0108-0705977-000.

Please email the Finance committee if you would like a tax receipt, please see names of committee members listed above. 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. For Kerikeri:

kerikericatholic@gmail.com. For Waitaruke: **waitarukecatholic@gmail.com**