



Sunday's Readings, plus Rosters for Kerikeri 2025

<p>23 February 2025 7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME This Week's Readings: 1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23 1 Corinthians 15:45-49 Luke 6:26-7-38</p>	<p>2 March 2025 8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Next Week's Readings: Ecclesiasticus (Sirach) 27:4-7 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 Mark 10:17-27</p>
<p>Welcome: Rod Laptop: Bob Reader 1: Kathy Reader 2: Nicholas Prayers of Faithful: Cheryl Collection: Paul S Mins. of Eucharist: Eileen, Pauline K & Barry Sacristan: Howard Hospitality: Deb & Kay Church Cleaning: Lorna</p>	<p>Welcome: Olivier Laptop: Lorna Reader 1: Marie W Reader 2: Marie B Prayers of Faithful: Willie Collection: Rod Mins. of Eucharist: Peter B, Wendy & Filomena Sacristan: Pauline M Hospitality: Wiga & Olivier Church Cleaning: Marie & Peter</p>

Please pray for the sick: Those who are ill or injured and in need of our prayers, especially Pope Francis, Rose McCallum, Cam McLeod, Karen Ryan, Wendy Pogson, Colleen Twohill, Debbie McLean-Tahi, Ron, Ross & Peter Balderston, Christine Spence, Andy Single, Helen Foley, Brenda Tweedale, Judy Poole, Barrett Feldman, Monica Hegarty, Maurice Macken, Carmen Evlampieff, Danielle Harris, Shirley Douglas, Wanda Watola, Emelisa Abadie, Maureen Clare, Leah Goddard, Michael Garrett, Teddy Jacobs, Geoff Davies. **Please keep them in your prayers...**

We remember those who have died recently:
Jenny McKinley, Angela Fazzi, Fr Don Cowan, Fr Peter Gray, Perene Peter Ulrich, Ron Alsweller, Bishop Denis Browne, Philomena Tracy, Aleksandra Surulo, Pat Lythe, Vera Langton, Jenny Hope, Fr Bruce McGill CSsR, Fr Christopher Brady, Tadiwanashe Rose Nyakudya, Richard Tamaho, Pam Scahill 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
 Wednesday: kerikericatholic@gmail.com, or phone 401 7429.

Kerikeri and Waitāruke

Catholic Pastoral Area

Parish Newsletter 2025/04

23 February 2025

7TH SUNDAY 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>1 SAMUEL</u>	<u>1 CORINTHIANS</u>	<u>LUKE</u>
26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23	15:45-49	6:27-38

From a letter by Saint Ambrose, bishop
We are heirs of God, co-heirs with Christ

The person who puts to death by the Spirit the deeds of our sinful nature will live, says the Apostle. This is not surprising since one who has the Spirit of God becomes a child of God. So true is it that he is a child of God that he receives not a spirit that enslaves but the Spirit that makes us sons. So much so that the Holy Spirit bears witness to our spirit that we are sons of God. This is the witness of the Holy Spirit: he cries out in our hearts, *Abba, Father*, as we read in the letter to the Galatians.

There is also that other great testimony to the fact that we are sons of God: *we are heirs of God, co-heirs with Christ*. A co-heir of Christ is one who is glorified along with Christ. The one who is glorified along with him is one who, by suffering for him, suffers along with him.

To encourage us in suffering, Paul adds that all our sufferings are small in comparison with the wonderful reward that will be revealed in us; our labours do not deserve the blessings that are to come. We shall be restored to the likeness of God, and counted worthy of seeing him face to face.

He enhances the greatness of the revelation that is to come by adding that creation also looks forward to this revealing of the sons of God. Creation, he says, is at present condemned to frustration, not of its own choice, but it lives in hope. Its hope is in Christ, as it awaits the grace of his ministry; or it hopes that it will share in the glorious freedom of the sons of God and be freed from its bondage to corruption, so that there will be one freedom, shared by creation and by the sons of God when their glory will be revealed.

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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)

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Parish Notices:

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: No major Feast Days this week.

WEEK-DAY MASS TIMETABLE: Please note that there is no Mass or Reconciliation on Wednesday, 26 February, and that the School Mass will resume next week on Ash Wednesday, 5th March.

ASH WEDNESDAY: This year, Ash Wednesday falls on the 5th of March and parishioners are invited to bring last year's blessed palms to be placed in a basket in the church foyer by next Sunday, 2nd March, to be rendered into ashes.

PPRE CLASSES will resume on Monday, 3rd March. If you have children interested in participating, please see Sue Nash or Fr Tony.

PASTORAL CARE OF KERIKERI PRIMARY SCHOOL: The parish has been contacted by a Christian teacher from Kerikeri primary and she is looking for volunteers to assist in the classroom to help children who would benefit from additional help in subjects like, reading, writing, maths, motor skill activities and crafts. A police vetting will be required for this volunteer role. For the contact information for the teacher, please ask Fr. Tony.

YEAR OF JUBILEE: Pope Francis has proclaimed 2025 as the Year of Jubilee – Pilgrims of Hope. The Diocese has a calendar of Jubilee Events and provisional dates can be found here: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/jubilee2025/jubilee-calendar/>

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

KING'S DAUGHTERS: Christian women are invited to the King's Daughters event this Friday the 28th of February at 7pm, at the Baptist Church, Kerikeri, where the women gather together for a time of prayer, worship and singing, followed by supper.

Faith in 55 words or fewer—

There is no evil to be faced that Christ does not face with us. There is no enemy that Christ has not already conquered. There is no cross to bear that Christ has not already borne for us, and does not now bear with us.

Pope John Paul II

Collections 15 and 16 February 2025

Kerikeri: \$592.00

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Thank you for your kind generosity. God bless.

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At present, however, while this revealing is delayed, all creation groans as it looks forward to the glory of adoption and redemption; it is already in labour with that spirit of salvation, and is anxious to be freed from its subjection to frustration.

The meaning is clear: those who have the first fruits of the Spirit are groaning in the expectation of the adoption of sons. This adoption of sons is that of the whole body of creation, when it will be as it were a son of God and see the divine, eternal goodness face to face. The adoption of sons is present in the Church of the Lord when the Spirit calls out: *Abba, Father*, as you read in the letter to the Galatians. But it will be perfect when all who are worthy of seeing the face of God rise in incorruption, in honour and in glory. Then our humanity will know that it has been truly redeemed. So Paul glories in saying: *We are saved by hope*. Hope saves, just as faith does, for of faith it is said: *Your faith has saved you*.

Blessings, Fr Tony

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Parish Pastoral Council

In the process of being formed.

Finance Committee

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

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Leon Rossbotham, Debbie McLean,
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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 Waitāruke: waitarukecatholic@gmail.com