



# Kerikeri and Waitāruke

## Catholic Pastoral Area

Parish Newsletter 2025/06

9 March 2025

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

### Sunday's Readings, plus Rosters for Kerikeri 2025

<b>9 March 2025</b> <b>1ST SUNDAY OF LENT</b> <b>This Week's Readings:</b> <b>Deuteronomy 26:4-10</b> <b>Romans 10:8-13</b> <b>Luke 4:1-13</b>	<b>16 March 2025</b> <b>2ND SUNDAY OF LENT</b> <b>Next Week's Readings:</b> <b>Genesis 15:5-12,17-18</b> <b>Philippians 3:17-4:1</b> <b>Luke 9:28-36</b>
<b>Welcome: Colin</b> <b>Laptop: Howard</b> <b>Reader 1: Filomena</b> <b>Reader 2: Peter D</b> <b>Prayers of Faithful: Howard</b> <b>Collection: Pauline K</b> <b>Mins. of Eucharist: Kathy, Bob &amp; Pauline M</b> <b>Sacristan: Howard</b> <b>Hospitality: Deb &amp; Kay</b> <b>Church Cleaning: Deb &amp; Colin</b>	<b>Welcome: Rod</b> <b>Laptop: Bob</b> <b>Reader 1: David</b> <b>Reader 2: Peter G</b> <b>Prayers of Faithful: Jenny</b> <b>Collection: Colin</b> <b>Mins. of Eucharist: Eileen, Kay &amp; Pauline K</b> <b>Sacristan: Pauline M</b> <b>Hospitality: Nellie &amp; Sigit</b> <b>Church Cleaning: Sue &amp; Murray</b>

**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](mailto:kerikericatholic@gmail.com), or phone 401 7429.

#### 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)**

*1st READING*                      *2nd READING*                      *GOSPEL*

DEUTERONOMY

26:4-10

ROMANS

10:8-13

LUKE

4:1-13

**From a letter of Pope St Clement I to the Corinthians**  
**Repent**

Let us fix our attention on the blood of Christ and recognise how precious it is to God his Father, since it was shed for our salvation and brought the grace of repentance to all the world.

If we review the various ages of history, we will see that in every generation the Lord has *offered the opportunity of repentance* to any who were willing to turn to him. When Noah preached God's message of repentance, all who listened to him were saved. Jonah told the Ninevites they were going to be destroyed, but when they repented, their prayers gained God's forgiveness for their sins, and they were saved, even though they were not of God's people.

Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, the ministers of God's grace have spoken of repentance; indeed, the Master of the whole universe himself spoke of repentance with an oath: *As I live*, says the Lord, *I do not wish the death of the sinner but his repentance*. He added this evidence of his goodness: *House of Israel, repent of your wickedness. Tell the sons of my people: If their sins should reach from earth to heaven, if they are brighter than scarlet and blacker than sackcloth, you need only turn to me with your whole heart and say, "Father," and I will listen to you as a holy people*.

In other words, God wanted all his beloved ones to have the opportunity to repent and he confirmed this desire by his own almighty will. That is why we should obey his sovereign and glorious will and prayerfully entreat his mercy and kindness. We should be suppliant before him and turn to his compassion, rejecting empty works and quarrelling and jealousy which only lead to death.

Brothers, we should be humble in mind, putting aside all arrogance, pride and foolish anger. Rather, we should act in accordance with the Scriptures, as the Holy Spirit says: *The wise man must not glory in his wisdom nor the strong man in his strength nor the rich man in his riches. Rather, let him who glories glory in the Lord by seeking him and doing what is right and just*.

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**Parish Priest: Fr. Tony King-Archer.**

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## Parish Notices:

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:** No Feasts this week, however, 13th March is the Anniversary of the election of Pope Francis in 2013.

**WEEK-DAY MASS TIMETABLE:** There are no changes this week. Now that Lent has begun, Stations of the Cross will be held directly after the Friday Mass at Kerikeri..

**THE NEW ZEALAND BISHOPS' LENT APPEAL** continues to support CARITAS in its mission, providing much of the resources necessary to continue its life-changing work in New Zealand/Aotearoa, the Pacific, and beyond. Caritas is grateful for the generous support our Parish gave to Caritas last year. With continued support this year, it can offer hope to many communities facing hardship.

Donation envelopes and further information are available in the Church Foyer.

**PPRE CLASSES** have resumed on Mondays of school term times. 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.

Faith in 55 words or fewer—

“Darkness can only be scattered by light, hatred can only be conquered by love.”

Pope John Paul II

**Collections 1 and 2 March 2025**

**Kerikeri: \$461.30**

**Waitāruke: \$82.70**

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

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## From a letter of Pope St Clement I to the Corinthians Repent

Recall especially what the Lord Jesus said when he taught gentleness and forbearance. *Be merciful*, he said, *so that you may have mercy shown to you. Forgive, so that you may be forgiven. As you treat others, so you will be treated. As you give, so you will receive. As you judge, so you will be judged. As you are kind to others, so you will be treated kindly. The measure of your giving will be the measure of your receiving.*

Let these commandments and precepts strengthen us to live in humble obedience to his sacred words. As Scripture asks: *Whom shall I look upon with favour except the humble, peaceful man who trembles at my words?*

Sharing then in the heritage of so many vast and glorious achievements, let us hasten towards the goal of peace, set before us from the beginning. Let us keep our eyes firmly fixed on the Father and Creator of the whole universe, and hold fast to his splendid and transcendent gifts of peace and all his blessings.

-Blessings, Fr Tony

**Holy Family Parish**  
**34 Cobham Road, Kerikeri 0230**

### **Parish Pastoral Council**

*In the process of being formed.*

### **Finance Committee**

Fr Tony King-Archer, Bob McKinley,  
Marie Byrne, TBA, TBA.

**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,  
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:

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