



# Holy Family Parish

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent (Year A)  
Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020

## FIRST READING : Genesis 2:7-9,3:1-7

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being. The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden. Now the serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death."' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 50:3-6,12-14,17

*℟. Be merciful O Lord for we have sinned.*

*Have mercy on me God in your kindness, in your compassion blot out my offence, O wash me more and more from my guilt, and cleanse me from my sin. ℟.*

*My offences truly I know them, my sin is always before me, against you, you alone have I sinned, what is evil in your sight I have done. ℟.*

*A pure heart create for me O God, put a steadfast spirit within me, Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your Holy Spirit. ℟.*

*Give me again the joy of your help. With a spirit of fervour sustain me, O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall declare your praise. ℟.*

## SECOND READING : Romans 5:12-19

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law. Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift. The results of the gift also outweigh the results of one man's sin: for after one single fall came judgement with a verdict of condemnation, now after many falls comes grace with its verdict of acquittal. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.

## GOSPEL : Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says: *Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.*' The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God' he said 'throw yourself down; for scripture says: *He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.*' Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says: *You must not put the Lord your God to the test.*' Next, taking him to a very high Mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these' he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says: *You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.*' Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him.

**“WHAT DOES LOVE LOOK LIKE? IT HAS THE HANDS TO HELP OTHERS. IT HAS THE FEET TO HASTEN TO THE POOR AND NEEDY. IT HAS EYES TO SEE MISERY AND WANT. IT HAS THE EARS TO HEAR THE SIGHS AND SORROWS OF MEN. THAT IS WHAT LOVE LOOKS LIKE.”**

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO

**“SPEAK LITTLE,  
LISTEN MUCH.”**

SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

**“SINCE THE OBJECT OF OUR LOVE IS INFINITE, WE CAN ALWAYS LOVE MORE AND MORE PERFECTLY.”**

SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

**“THE WORLD  
DOESN'T NEED  
WHAT WOMEN HAVE,  
IT NEEDS WHAT WOMEN ARE”**

St. Edith Stein

**“WITHOUT LOVE,  
DEEDS, EVEN THE  
MOST BRILLIANT,  
COUNT AS  
NOTHING.”**

SAINT THÉRÈSE DE LISIEUX

**“FOR ME, PRAYER IS A SURGE OF THE HEART; IT IS A SIMPLE LOOK TURNED TOWARD HEAVEN, IT IS A CRY OF RECOGNITION AND OF LOVE, EMBRACING BOTH TRIAL AND JOY.”**

SAINT THÉRÈSE DE LISIEUX

**“HE WHO CARRIES GOD IN HIS HEART BEARS HEAVEN WITH HIM WHEREVER HE GOES.”**

SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

**“WHEN YOU SAY ANYTHING IN SECRET, SPEAK AS IF YOU WERE SPEAKING TO THE WHOLE WORLD.”**

SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

**“THE MAN WHO SETS ABOUT MAKING OTHERS BETTER IS WASTING HIS TIME, UNLESS HE BEGINS WITH HIMSELF.”**

SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

**“CHARITY AND KINDNESS UNWEDDED TO TRUTH ARE NOT CHARITY AND KINDNESS, BUT DECEIT AND VANITY.”**

SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

**“A SOUL IN A STATE OF GRACE HAS NOTHING TO FEAR OF DEMONS, WHO ARE COWARDS.”**

SAINT THÉRÈSE DE LISIEUX

**“An educated man will seek truth. The purpose of education is to acquaint us with truth. One basic truth that we have to learn is the truth of our own existence. We would not have a gadget in our house five minutes without knowing the meaning of that gadget and yet some people will live twenty-fifty-sixty years without knowing why they are here or where they are going. What is the use of living unless we know the purpose of life.” ~ Archbishop Fulton Sheen**

**“NEVER GIVE UP PRAYER, AND SHOULD YOU FIND DRYNESS AND DIFFICULTY, PERSEVERE IN IT FOR THIS VERY REASON.”**

SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS

**“OUR GREATEST NEED IS TO BE SILENT BEFORE THIS GREAT GOD, FOR THE ONLY LANGUAGE HE HEARS IS THE SILENT LANGUAGE OF LOVE.”**

SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS

**“IN THE TWILIGHT OF LIFE, GOD WILL NOT JUDGE US ON OUR EARTHLY POSSESSIONS AND HUMAN SUCCESSES, BUT ON HOW WELL WE HAVE LOVED.”**

SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS

**“EVERY MAN MUST DECIDE WHETHER HE WILL WALK IN THE LIGHT OF CREATIVE ALTRUISM OR IN THE DARKNESS OF DESTRUCTIVE SELFISHNESS.”**

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

**“LOVE TURNS WORK INTO REST.”**

SAINT TERESA OF AVILA

**“FOR PRAYER IS NOTHING ELSE THAN BEING ON TERMS OF FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD.”**

SAINT TERESA OF AVILA

**“It is the duty of every man to uphold the dignity of every woman.”**

JOHN PAUL II,  
GENERAL AUDIENCE, 1982

**“IT IS LOVE ALONE THAT GIVES WORTH TO ALL THINGS.”**

SAINT TERESA OF AVILA

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:**

Forty Days and forty nights  
Thou wast fasting in the wild;  
Forty Days and forty nights  
Tempted, and yet undefiled.

Shall not we thy sorrow share,  
And from earthly joys abstain,  
Fasting with unceasing prayer,  
Glad with thee to suffer pain?

And if Satan, vexing sore,  
Flesh or spirit should assail,  
Thou, his Vanquisher before,  
Grant we may not faint nor fail.

So shall we have peace divine:  
Holier gladness ours shall be;  
Round us, too, shall angels shine,  
Such as ministered to thee.

Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear,  
Ever constant by thy side;  
That with thee we may appear  
At the eternal Eastertide.

**OFFERTORY HYMN:**

God of Mercy and Compassion,  
Look with pity upon me,  
Father let me call Thee Father,  
'Tis thy child returns to Thee.

*Jesus Lord, I ask for mercy;  
let me not implore in vain;  
All my sins, I now detest them,  
never will I sin again.*

See our Saviour, bleeding, dying,  
on the cross of Calvary;  
To that cross my sins have nail'd Him,  
yet bleeds and dies for me.

**COMMUNION HYMN:**

Lord, who throughout these forty days  
for us didst fast and pray,  
teach us with thee to mourn our sins  
and close by thee to stay.

As thou with Satan didst contend  
and didst the vict'ry win,  
O give us strength in thee to fight,  
in thee to conquer sin.

As thou didst hunger bear and thirst,  
so teach us, gracious Lord,  
to die to self, and chiefly live by  
thy most holy word.

And through these days of penitence,  
and through thy Passiontide,  
yea, evermore, in life and death,  
Jesus! with us abide.

Abide with us, that so,  
this life of suffering over past,  
an Easter of unending joy  
we may attain at last!

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:**

Praise to the Holiest in the height,  
and in the depth be praise;  
in all his words most wonderful,  
most sure in all his ways!

O loving wisdom of our God!  
When all was sin and shame, a second  
Adam to the fight and to the rescue  
came.

O wisest love! that flesh and blood,  
which did in Adam fail, should strive  
afresh against the foe, should strive,  
and should prevail.

And that the highest gift of grace  
should flesh and blood refine: God's  
presence and his very self, and essence  
all divine.

O generous love! that he who smote in  
man for man the foe, the double agony  
in Man for man should undergo.

And in the garden secretly, and on the  
cross on high, should teach his  
brethren, and inspire to suffer and to  
die.

**DIOCESAN NEWS**

**Episcopal Ordination** of Fr Michael  
Gielen at The Vodafone Events  
Centre, 770 Great South Road, Wiri,  
Manukau. Saturday 7 March - 11am,  
doors will be open at 9:45am see  
the noticeboard for more  
information.

**Lenten Retreat in Auckland  
Divine Retreat Centre New  
Zealand (DRCNZ)** led by Fr Michael  
Payyapilly VC from DRC, Potta for 2  
evenings, Monday 16th and  
Tuesday 17th March - 7 to 9.00p.m.  
at Christ the King Church, 260  
Richardson Road, Owairaka,  
Auckland. For further details please  
contact: Website:

[www.drcnewzealand.org](http://www.drcnewzealand.org)

**Voluntary Position - Marriage**

**Educators:** Have you been married  
for 5 or more years and passionate  
about the sacrament of marriage?  
Do you have four hours per month  
to see couples in your home? If you  
have answered yes to the above  
please consider training as Marriage  
Educators - Training course starts  
April 2020. Find out more about  
this voluntary role - contact Gerry  
on 09- 3603025 / 021-02247442 or  
[gerrys@cda.org.nz](mailto:gerrys@cda.org.nz)

**Vacancy:** Grounds-person for St  
Francis Retreat Centre. 20-30 hours  
per week position depending on the  
successful applicant's availability.  
For a full job description and  
application form: *email:*  
[finance@stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz](mailto:finance@stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz)

**NEXT SUNDAY:**

**8 March 2020**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent (Yr A)**

*Gen 12:1-4; 2 Tim 1:8-10; Mt 17:1-9;*

**LITURGY ROSTER**

**Readers:** R. Lopez, R. Hall

**Prayers of the Faithful:** A. Leifi

**Offertory:** N & V Fakava

**Special Ministers:** P. Vernon

**CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER**

Adoration next weekend

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 8pm

till Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm

**SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER**

Tongan Community

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

**1 Mar:** *Samuel Endemann, Anthony Botica*

**3 Mar:** *Vera Sadgrove, Myra Woodcock,  
Ben Stanley*

**4 Mar:** *Betty Dyer*

**5 Mar:** *Florence Lorigan*

**6 Mar:** *Elizabeth Luoni*

**7 Mar:** *Darin Keeler*

**PARISH FINANCES**

<b>Parish</b>	\$1,022.30
<b>Priests</b>	\$511.10
<b>Total Cash</b>	\$1,533.40

**HOLY FAMILY NEWS****Stations of the Cross and First Friday**

**Adoration:** Every Friday during Lent, next  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March we have First Friday  
Adoration from 8pm till Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March  
at 6pm.

**Sacramental Programme -**

**Reconciliation:** starts next Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>  
March from 4pm to 5pm in the Bugler  
Centre. Registrations close 21<sup>st</sup> March.

**House of Nazareth for pre-schoolers and**

**home schoolers:** this Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March from  
11am-2.30pm in the Hall. All are welcome,  
just bring a plate to share. For more  
information call Danielle 0212506318

**Unplanned screening for Teens and**

**Young Adults:** This Sunday at 7pm in the  
Hall.

**Parish Pledge System - Envelopes and**

**Receipts:** We will have the new set of  
envelopes available for collection on  
Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. The receipts will be  
available from Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April. If you  
would like your receipt emailed to you,  
please email the Parish office  
[hfp parish@xtra.co.nz](mailto:hfp parish@xtra.co.nz)

**Easter Flower Raffle:**

Coming Soon!  
Tickets are \$2 per ticket or 3 tickets for \$5.

**Altar Server Practise for Easter:**

Please  
make a note on your calendars the first  
practise is Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April from 4pm to  
5pm.