



# Holy Family Parish

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr C)

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022



**FIRST READING : Wisdom 9:13-18**

What man indeed can know the intentions of God? Who can divine the will of the Lord? The reasonings of mortals are unsure and our intentions unstable; for a perishable body presses down the soul, and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind. It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth, laborious to know what lies within our reach; who, then, can discover what is in the heavens? As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you not granted Wisdom and sent your holy spirit from above? Thus have the paths of those on earth been straightened and men been taught what pleases you, and saved, by Wisdom.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 89(90):3-6,12-14,17**



℟. In eve-ry age O Lord, you have been our re-fuge.

~ You turn men back into dust, and say 'go back sons of men.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. ~ ℟.

~ You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning, In the morning it springs up and flowers, by evening it withers and fades. ~ ℟.

~ Make us know the shortness of our life, that we may gain wisdom of heart, Lord, relent! Is your anger forever? Show pity to your servants. ~ ℟.

~ In the morning fill us with your love, we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us, give success to the work of our hands. ~ ℟.

**SECOND READING : Philemon 9-10,12-17**

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him – I could say – a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave anymore, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

**GOSPEL : Luke 14:25-33**

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way, and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. 'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

**~ HOLY FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT ~**

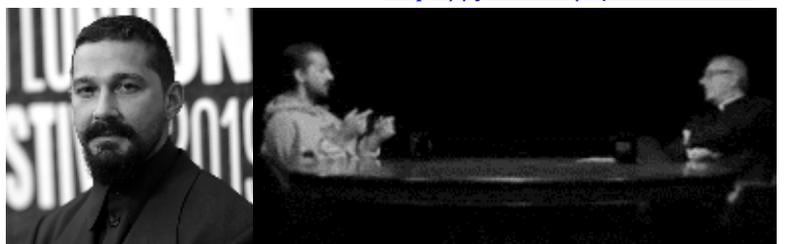
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 7PM-10PM**

It is time to register for the Quiz Night.  
you can register as an individual, couple,  
or a team of eight (8).

Come along for a fun night.

Register at [hfparish@xtra.co.nz](mailto:hfparish@xtra.co.nz)

Hollywood Actor Shia Lebeouf, whilst filming a movie about Padre Pio and living in a monastery to prepare for the role, has had a profound conversion to Catholicism. Watch Bishop Barron's interview with him at this link: <https://youtu.be/hjxKG4mR3U4>



Some derive a great deal of pride because they believe that they have more intelligence than others; others because they have a few more inches of land or some money, when in fact they should be in dread of the formidable account which God will demand of them one day.

St. John Mary Vianney



**Bishop Fulton Sheen**  
@Bishop\_Sheen

In almost nine cases out of ten, those who have once had the Faith but now reject it, or claim that it does not make sense, are driven not by reasoning but by the way they are living

"Anything we do, without offering it to God, is wasted."

-St. John Vianney

“A Catholic may sin and sin as badly as anyone else, but no genuine Catholic ever denies he is a sinner. A Catholic wants his sins forgiven --- not excused or sublimated.”

Quotable Fulton J. Sheen.

"As clouds obscure the sun, so bad thoughts darken and destroy the brightness of the soul."

Ven Louis de Granada

## Morning Offering

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer You my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of Your Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered throughout the world, in reparation for my sins, for the intentions of all my relatives and friends, and also for the intentions of the Holy Father.  
Amen.

"Pray, hope, and don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer."

- Saint Padre Pio



## OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

- EYES**  
Contain reflections of the scene with Juan Diego and the bishop that are visible only with modern technology.
- LOOSE HAIR**  
An Aztec sign of virginity.
- 46 STARS**  
Form the constellations that would have appeared in Mexico at the time of the apparition.
- HANDS**  
United in prayer. The left appears to be a darker, native color, while the right appears lighter, representing the two races.
- BELT**  
A symbol of the Virgin's pregnancy with Jesus.
- FLOWERS OF NAHUI OLLIN**  
The greatest symbol of the Nahuatl; represents the presence of God.
- THE MOON**  
Symbolizes the woman of Rev. 12:1 who has the "moon under her feet." The word "Metz-xic-co" means "In the center of the moon"
- ANGEL**  
Has feathered wings and is carrying Mary to the people. The angel's red robe represents the earth, while Mary has a mantle of heaven.
- RAYS**  
Symbolize the sun and an Aztec diety. They are brighter near her womb where she carries the child.



# THE CATHOLIC ANSWERS NZ TOUR

WITH TIM STAPLES

**SAT, 15 OCTOBER 2022 | 10AM**  
**HOLY FAMILY PARISH HALL**

JOIN US FOR A DEBATE FOLLOWED BY A TALK  
"WHY BE CATHOLIC? THE ANTIDOTE TO RELATIVISM"



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**'True love is measured by the thermometer of suffering.'**

St Faustina Kowalska

'Nothing is so beautiful as a pure soul. If we understood this, we could not lose our purity. The pure soul is disengaged from matter, from earthly things, and from itself. . . That is why the saints ill-treated their body, that is why they did not grant it what it required, not even to rise five minutes later, to warm themselves, to eat anything that gave them pleasure. . . For what the body loses the soul gains, and what the body gains the soul loses.'

-St John Mary Vianney, The Cure of Ars

**'Always recite the Rosary and recite it as often as possible.'**

St Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

@TheRealWisdomOfTheCate

'When we leave Mass, we ought to go out the way Moses descended Mt Sinai: with his face shining, with his heart brave and strong to face the world's difficulties.'

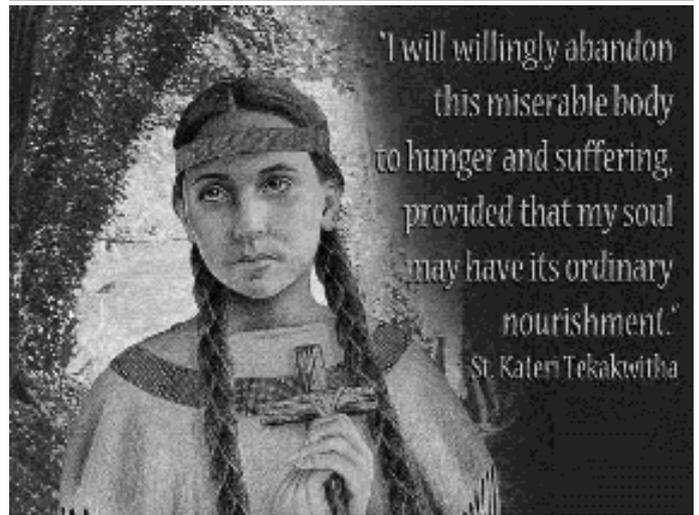
--St Oscar Romero

"How blind men are to do so little with their time! One day they will have to render an account of the unprofitable use they have made of it. This time, short though it may be, can merit eternity for us, but time once passed will never return."

-- St Catherine of Siena

'When the devil is called the god of this world, it is not because he made it but because we serve him with our worldliness.'

St Thomas Aquinas



'I will willingly abandon this miserable body to hunger and suffering, provided that my soul may have its ordinary nourishment.'

St. Kateri Tekakwitha

Every morning you put on your clothes to cover your nakedness and protect your body from inclement weather. Why don't you also clothe your soul with the garment of faith? Remember each morning the truths of your creed, and look at yourself in the mirror of your faith. Otherwise, your soul will soon be naked with the nakedness of oblivion.

St Augustine of Hippo

'Why doesn't Our Blessed Lady show hell to sinners? If they could see it they would never commit any more sins.'

St Jacinta to Sr Lucia of Fatima

**"WHATEVER TROUBLES MAY BE BEFORE YOU, ACCEPT THEM BRAVELY, REMEMBERING WHOM YOU ARE TRYING TO FOLLOW."**

ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP

'The man who sets about making others better is wasting his time, unless he begins with himself.'

St Ignatius of Loyola

@TheRealWisdomOfTheCate

'The business of the Christian is nothing else but to be ever preparing for death.'

St Irenaeus of Lyons

'Prayer is the best weapon we have; it is the key to God's heart. You must speak to Jesus not only with your lips, but with your heart.'

St Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

**'THE MORE DESPERATE THINGS SEEM, THE MORE MUST WE HOPE IN GOD. WHEN MAN'S AID FAILS, GOD'S IS CLOSE AT HAND.'**

ST IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:**

Gather, Lord, Your people,  
called to be Your Bride,  
formed by Blood and Water  
flowing from Your side,  
joined with You in baptism,  
washed to give rebirth,  
she filled with Your Spirit,  
shall renew the earth.

You the one true Shepherd,  
searching for the lost,  
You the Lamb of offering,  
counting not the cost,  
You have called each one by name,  
each Your precious choice,  
May we enter by Your gate,  
listening to your voice.

At Your mother's pleading,  
You gave finest wine,  
Now Your Church implores You,  
Jesus fruitful vine.  
Heed the thirsting of her heart,  
and bring forth a flood,  
Open wide the fountain of Your  
Precious Blood.

Send Your Holy Spirit,  
by that Blood outpoured,  
making us one Body,  
Temple of the Lord.  
With Your sev'n fold gifts descend,  
font of Charity, that we may cry  
"Abba", and true children be.

**OFFERTORY HYMN:**

All highest glorious God,  
Cast Your light into  
the darkness of my heart,  
Give me right faith, firm hope,  
perfect charity,  
and profound humility,  
with wisdom and perception,  
O Lord, that I may do  
what is truly Your will.

Lord, make me to know thy ways,  
O Lord. O Lord, teach me thy paths, O  
Lord. O lead me in thy truth, and  
teach me, for thou art the God of my  
salvation.

**POST COMMUNION HYMN:**

Be thou my vision,  
O Lord of my heart;  
All else be nought to me,  
save that thou art.  
Thou my best thought,  
by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping  
thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom,  
and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and  
thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father;  
thine own may I be:  
Thou in me dwelling,  
and I one with thee.

High King of heaven,  
when victory is won,  
May I reach heaven's joys,  
bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

*Sicut cervus desiderat  
ad fontes aquarum ita desiderat,  
anima mea ad te Deus.*

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:**

Now thank we all our God  
with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done,  
in whom his world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms  
has blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love,  
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us,  
to keep us in his grace,  
and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills  
of this world in the next.

All praise and thanks to God  
the Father now be given,  
the Son and Spirit blest,  
who reign in highest heaven  
the one eternal God,  
whom heaven and earth adore;  
for thus it was, is now,  
and shall be evermore.

**Diocesan notices cont...**

*Theology of the Body  
NZ Symposium  
"Life with Christ is a wonderful  
adventure" Saint John Paul II*  
Date: Saturday 8th October 2022  
Hillsborough, Auckland  
Registration details  
at: [theologyofthebody.nz](http://theologyofthebody.nz)  
Please register by 12 Sept.

**NEXT SUNDAY:**  
**11<sup>th</sup> September 2022**  
**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Ex 32:7-11,13-14; 1 Tim 1:12-17;  
Lk 15:1-32;*

**LITURGY ROSTER**

**Readers:** S. Shaw, R. Lopez  
**Prayers of the Faithful:** E. O'Brien  
**Offertory:** La'akulu Family  
**Special Minister:** P. Capundag

**CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER**

Tovio Family

**SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER**

Tongan Community

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

**4 Sept:** Olga Katavich  
**5 Sept:** Elsie O'Malley  
**6 Sept:** Benjamin Watene, Margaret Wynne  
**7 Sept:** Sharn Inu, Caroline Bell  
**8 Sept:** Juliana Leifi, Brenda Harvey  
**9 Sept:** Margaret Anderson, Albert Wallace

**PARISH FINANCES**

<b>Parish</b>	\$2,708.11
<b>Priests</b>	<u>\$1,354.05</u>
<b>Total AP's and cash</b>	<b>\$4,062.16</b>

**HOLY FAMILY NOTICES**

**REMINDER: Carpark – GOOD NEWS!** We can open the back gate on a Sunday because the driveway has been fixed. Please make sure to exit the property using the gate to Waione Road instead of trying to leave via Taikata Road. Thank you all for your patience during this time.

**DIOCESAN NOTICES**

**Please note:** you will need to book to attend this event:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/why-be-catholic-the-antidote-to-relativism-tickets-408565770217>