

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time YEAR A 15th October 2023

FIRST READING : Isaiah 25:6-10

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 22(23)

 \mathbb{R}^{\prime} I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

The Lord is my shepherd there is nothing I shall want, Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters He leads me, To revive my drooping spirit. \mathbb{R}

He guides me along the right path, He is true to His name, If I should walk in the valley of darkness, no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff, with these you give me comfort. \mathbb{R}

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of the my foes, My head you have anointed with oil, My cup is overflowing. R^{γ}

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me, all the days of the my life, In the Lord's own house shall I dwell, all the days of my life. R

SECOND READING : Philippians 4:12-14,19-20

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus began to speak to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'



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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:

(English translation) On the Babylonian river we sat and wept when we remembered thee, Zion. On the aspens of that land, we hung up our harps.

COMMUNION HYMN:

Sing my tongue the Saviour's glory, of His flesh the mystery sing, of the Blood all price exceeding, shed by our Immortal King, Destined for the world's redemption, From a noble womb to spring.

Of a pure and spotless Virgin, born for us on earth below, He as Man with man conversing, stayed the seeds of truth to sow; Then he closed in solemn order, wondrously His life of woe.

On the night of that Last supper, Seated with his chosen band, He is the Paschal Victim eating, First fulfils the Law's command; Then as food for his apostles, gives Himself with his own hand.

Word made flesh, the bread of nature by His word to Flesh he turns; Wine to his own Blood he changes: what though sense no change discerns? Only be the heart in earnest faith her lesson quickly learns.

Down in adoration falling, Lo, the sacred host we hail; Lo, o'er ancient forms departing, newer rites of grace prevail, Faith, for all defects supplying, where the feeble senses fail.

To the everlasting Father, And the Son who reigns on high, With the Holy Ghost proceeding forth from each eternally. Be salvation, honour, blessing might and endless majesty.

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

Immaculate Mary! Our hearts are on fire; that title so wondrous Fills all our desire! *Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria! Ave, Ave, Ave Maria*!

We pray for God's glory, May His kingdom come; We pray for His Vicar, Our Father in Rome. *Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria! Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!*

We pray for our Mother, The Church upon earth, And bless, sweetest Lady, The land of our birth. *Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria! Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!*

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NOTICES

<u>Men's group meeting</u> – Wednesday 18th October 2023 at 7pm in the Marian Centre.

<u>Catechism Classes:</u> Don't forget Catechism Classes start next Sunday 15th October after the 9:30am Mass.

Sacramental Programme: 1st Holy **Communion**, please don't forget to register, classes start 21st October at 4 to 5pm in the Joseph Centre. *Please note: to register your child for 1st Holy Communion they would have received preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation earlier in the year.* To register email hfparish@xtra.co.nz

<u>Church Carpark</u> –just a reminder that we have plenty of parking behind the Church and Hall.

<u>Columban Calendars for SALE</u> -\$12, see Ellen in the Office or email <u>hfparish@xtra.co.nz</u> or phone 098346677

NEXT SUNDAY: 22nd October 2023 29th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thess 1:1-5; Mt 22:15-21;

LITURGY ROSTER

Readers: M. D'Souza, B. Molloy Prayers of the Faithful: E. Shaw Offertory: J. Tagiilima Family Special Ministers: P. Tagiilima

> **CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER** Adoration from 10am to 6pm

> SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER Leite Family

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

16 Oct: Mons G Marinovich, Elizabeth Stowers
17 Oct: Jon Barnett
18 Oct: Joseph Leef, Desmond Clarke, George Cotton
20 Oct: Margaret Turnwald, Eileen Cahill, Vaitogi Manuleleua

PARISH FINANCES

| Parish | \$1,634.87 |
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| Priests | <u>\$817.43</u> |
| Total AP's and Cash | \$2,452.30 |

DIOCESAN NOTICES

7th Annual National March for Life in Wellington on 2nd December. Gather at Civic Square from 1pm, March to Parliament grounds at 2pm – 4pm.

25th November 2023 Gaudete: Advent & Christmas Carols Music from Parishes. Schools & Ethnic Chaplaincies across the Diocese.3pm - 6pm Saturday. Sir Woolf Fisher Arena (770 Great South Road, Manukau 2104) For All Ages | Donation / Entry by Koha| Free Parking Available Caring Foundation Christmas Appeal. **Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre** of Jerusalem Fundraising for the Greek Melkite School in Shefa Amr (Israel) members have agreed to help fund a fire sprinkler system for the school. If you can help there are pamphlets down the back of the Church or see the poster on the noticeboard.

The Upper Room' Young Adults Evening, Thursday 19 October Young adults, join us for an evening of fellowship and formation on Thursday 19 October, 7pm, at Good George Mission Bay. Our guest speaker for this event is Brendan Malone, who will be speaking on 'The Courage to Be Counter-Cultural.' Tickets are \$10 and you can find all the details

at <u>www.facebook.com/AKCYM</u>

Auckland Catholic Singles Social Group: A new group for single Catholic men & women in their 30s & 40s Dinner at Burger Burger Saturday 28th October 2023 • 6:30PM onwards. Osbourne lane, 3B York Street, Newmarket, Auckland 1023 Find us - we will have Fra Angelico's Annunciation on the table.