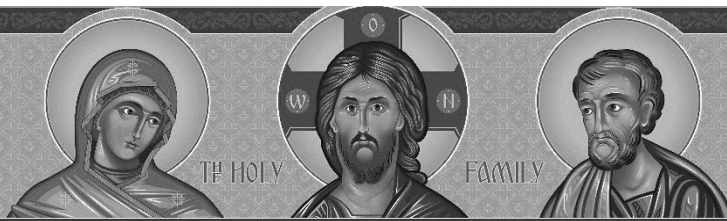


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THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD – YEAR C – 2nd of FEBRUARY 2025

FIRST READING : Malachi 3:1-4

The Lord God says this: Look, I am going to send my messenger to prepare a way before me. And the Lord you are seeking will suddenly enter his Temple; and the angel of the covenant whom you are longing for, yes, he is coming, says the Lord of Hosts. Who will be able to resist the day of his coming? Who will remain standing when he appears? For he is like the refiner's fire and the fullers' alkali. He will take his seat as refiner and purifier; he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and then they will make the offering to the Lord as it should be made. The offering of Judah and Jerusalem will then be welcomed by the Lord as in former days, as in the years of old.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 23(24):7-10



℟ Who is the king of glory? It is the Lord.

O gates, lift up your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Get him enter, the king of glory! ℟

Who is the king of glory? The Lord, the mighty, the valiant, the Lord, the valiant in war. ℟

O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! ℟

Who is he, the king of glory? He, the Lord of armies, he is the king of glory. ℟

SECOND READING : Hebrews 2:14-18

Since all the children share the same blood and flesh, Christ too shared equally in it, so that by his death he could take away all the power of the devil, who had power over death, and set free all those who had been held in slavery all their lives by the fear of death. For it was not the angels that he took to himself; he took to himself descent from Abraham. It was essential that he should in this way become completely like his brothers so that he could be a compassionate and trustworthy high priest of God's religion, able to atone for human sins. That is, because he has himself been through temptation he is able to help others who are tempted.

GOSEL : Luke 2:22-40

When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, – observing what stands written in the Law of the Lord: *Every first-born male must be consecrated to the Lord* – and also to offer in sacrifice, in accordance with what is said in the Law of the Lord, a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons. Now in Jerusalem there was a man named Simeon. He was an upright and devout man; he looked forward to Israel's comforting and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death until he had set eyes on the Christ of the Lord. Prompted by the Spirit he came to the Temple and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the Law required, he took him into his arms and blessed God; and he said: 'Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace, just as you promised; because my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared for all the nations to see, a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel.' As the child's father and mother stood there wondering at the things that were being said about him, Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, 'You see this child: he is destined for the fall and for the rising of many in Israel, destined to be a sign that is rejected – and a sword will pierce your own soul too – so that the secret thoughts of many may be laid bare.' There was a prophetess also, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was well on in years. Her days of girlhood over, she had been married for seven years before becoming a widow. She was now eighty-four years old and never left the Temple, serving God night and day with fasting and prayer. She came by just at that moment and began to praise God; and she spoke of the child to all who looked forward to the deliverance of Jerusalem. When they had done everything the Law of the Lord required, they went back to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. Meanwhile the child grew to maturity, and he was filled with wisdom: and God's favour was with him.

A. **P** A-ter nos-ter, qui es in cæ-lis: sancti-fi-cé-tur
co-ti-di- á-num da no-bis hó-di- e; et dimít-te no-bis
no-men tu- um; advé-ni- at regnum tu- um; fi- at vo-lún-
dé-bi-ta nostra, sic-ut et nos di-mít-timus de-bi-tó-ri-bus
tas tu- a, sic-ut in cæ-lo, et in terra. Panem nostrum
nostris; et ne nos indú-cas in tenta-ti- ó-nem; sed
lí-be-ra nos a ma- lo.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly minded,
For with blessing in His hand,
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
Our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
As of old on earth He stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
In the body and the blood;
He will give to all the faithful
His own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven
Spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of light descendeth
From the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish
As the darkness clears away.

At His feet the six winged Seraph,
Cherubim with sleepless eyes.
Veil their faces to the presence,
and with ceaseless voice they cry:
"Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
Lord, most High.

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 holy will.

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

COMMUNION HYMN:

*O Beauty ever ancient,
and yet so new,
How I hunger
and thirst now I have tasted You,
You were deep within me all the while
that I remained apart,
Now my soul will be restless, until it
rests in Your heart.*

*O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit into our
hearts, and lighten our understanding,
that we may dwell in the fear of thy
name, all the days of our life, that we
may know thee, thy only true God, and
Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent, that
we may hast sent.*

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

Let us sing to you, O Mary,
disciple first and best,
Join our voices sing with every age
that loves to call you blest.
Blessed you among all women,
first in faith, in hope, in love,
Blessed you who believed in the
promise from above, Chosen Woman,
through obedience untied the knot of
Eve, Holy Virgin, fruitful Mother of all
who believe.

Hail His Palace! Hail His Tabernacle!
Hail His Ark! His Shrine!
Hail His Home! His Throne!
His Servant! His Mother and mine!
Consecrated by the Father,
before time had e'er begun,
And prepared by the Spirit
to mother the Son, Spotless Ark,
conceived immaculate
and spared from every sin,
Full of grace, you won God's favour,
enfleshed the Word within.

At the cross, a sword of sorrow
would pierce your loving soul,
As your Son is opened with a lance
and Blood and Water flow.
Hail Model of the Church
newly created from His side,
Called to mother Christ's children
and be His holy Bride,
And His words: "Behold your mother,"
And "Woman see your son,"
Are his gift to His disciples
while endless ages run.

To the Father, faithful daughter,
We join with you our praise,
To your Son, O Blessed Mother,
Our worship we raise.
To the Spirit by Whose power
you conceived The living Word,
our profound adoration
will always be heard,
Turn your eyes, O Holy Mary,
look lovingly and bless,
Take our prayer, in love transform it,
unite it with your "Yes!"

Sunday Cup of Tea
Sunday after the 9:30 am Mass

The cup of tea following Mass each Sunday is a fantastic feature of our community life and a wonderful chance for fellowship to grow. Families and Groups on a Parish Roster provide the morning tea, including food, which sometimes can be costly. One way to help share this load would be for all of us to consider bringing a plate or a packet of biscuits to share each time. Any contribution, big or small, would assist. Thank you!

NEXT SUNDAY:
9th February 2025
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr C)
Is 6:1-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 5:1-11;

LITURGY ROSTER
Readers: J. Brodie, L. Ahio
Prayers of the Faithful: T. Molloy
Offertory: L & S Ahio
Special Ministers: P. Capundag

CHURCH CLEANING
Tovio Family

SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER
Tongan Community

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK
1 Feb: *Wietze Rutten*
4 Feb: *Lillian Sargent*
6 Feb: *Silau Lamusitele*

PARISH FINANCES

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| Parish | \$2,697.60 |
| Priests | <u>\$1,348.80</u> |
| Total AP's and Cash | \$4,046.40 |

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NOTICES

Marian Conference 2025
22 February 2025
in the Parish Hall
'Mary, Star of Hope: Our Guide to Jesus Through Consecration.'
The day begins with Adoration at 8:00am and Holy Mass at 9:00am, followed by inspiring talks, morning tea, and lunch.
All are welcome to join this day of faith and renewal.
For more details, please contact bml.auckland@gmail.com.

Thursday Night Talks – start again this Thursday 6th February at 7pm in the Joseph Centre.

Catechism Classes – Please meet in Mrs O'Brien's classroom after Mass to be sorted into your classes for 2025.

24hr Adoration – Don't forget 24-hr Adoration starts this Friday 7th Feb at 6pm to Saturday 8th Feb at 6pm. We still have times to fill Fri – 6pm to 7pm, 8pm to 9pm, 11pm to 12am. If you would like to volunteer for any of these times, please let Ellen know on 8346677 or hfp parish@xtra.co.nz

Please see the noticeboard for more notices.

Church Carpark – Please do not park on the grass or the driveway at the front of the Church. There is plenty of parking behind the Church. PLEASE do not block access to the parking behind the hall.