



ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

126 Russell Rd, Manurewa, Auckland 2102
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Finding Prayer Difficult?

Do you find praying and getting into a conversation with God difficult?

I want to share with you this short story by Cardinal Francis Xavier Nguyen Van Thuan (he was imprisoned by the Vietnamese and Communist Government for 13 years).

"After my liberation, many people said to me, Father, in prison you must have had a lot of time to pray. It wasn't as simple as people may think. Time passes slowly in prison, particularly in solitary. Imagine a week, a month 2 months, six months in total silence! There were days when I was worn out by exhaustion and illness that I could not manage to say a single prayer!



This reminds me of a story...There was an older man named Jim, who would go to the church every day at 12:00pm, stay for a few minutes and then leave. The sacristan was curious and asked Jim,

"Why do you come here, every day?" Jim, said, "I come to pray."

The sacristan said "That's impossible! What prayer can you say in 2 minutes?"

Jim said "I am an old man and I pray in my own way, and I say, 'Jesus, here I am, it's Jim' and then I leave."

After some years, Jim became ill and went to hospital. When it seemed that he was dying, a priest and a nurse stood near his bed. The Priest said, "Jim, when you came to this ward, everything changed for the better. How did the patients and staff become happier, more content and more friendlier?"

Jim said "When I could, I would go around and visit everyone, say hello and make them laugh and feel happy and contented." They would say, with Jim around we are always happy and thinking about others, like Jim does. "But why are they happy?" asked the nurse. Jim said "Well, aren't you happy when you receive a visitor who makes you feel important and you makes you laugh?"

"But Jim," said the nurse, "We have never seen anyone come to visit you?"

Jim said, "When I came here I asked for 2 chairs - one was for you Father and the other for my guest."

"But what guest?" said the Priest.

Jim said "I used to go to church to visit Jesus every day at 12pm. But when I couldn't do that anymore, Jesus came here and visited me. He then says, "Hi Jim, it's Jesus.""

Before dying, Jim smiled and pointed to the empty chair, as if inviting someone to sit down.

When I couldn't pray, I said "Jesus, here I am, it's Francis." Jesus replied, "Hi Francis, it's Jesus, I have come to take you home."

So if you find praying hard at present, just sit down and say Jesus, It's me, just wanted to be with you today and let you speak to me....This time is yours"

Blessings - Fr Kevin



Fr Kevin Murphy SM.

ST ANNE'S MASS TIMES

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm

Sunday 8am, 10am and 5pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday 12:05pm Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Tues - Thurs 12.05pm Mass

Friday 9am Mass

Saturday 8am Mass

Occasional Masses:

Maori: 4th Sunday of every month 11.30am

Samoan: 3rd Sunday of odd months 12pm.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after 8am Mass
Saturday 4-5pm in the hall



PREVIOUS OFFERINGS

Total August \$44,999.37

Total September \$33,369.97

MASS ROSTERS

The new set of rosters for Altar Servers, Commentators, Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are now printed. Please take a copy from the appropriate Mass folder out in the atrium. The roster for the coming weekend's Masses are also printed in the parish bulletin a week ahead, which you can either access electronically or take a copy when you attend Mass.

Please keep a check on the dates you are rostered to serve. If you are unable to serve on a particular date, please arrange for someone else to take your place, using the contacts on the back of your roster. Alternatively, please contact Philip Cortesi on 2664079 or 021632944.

NEW ZEALAND COMMUNITY FOR CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Join us in the St Anne's lounge for an introductory talk on **Christian Meditation Wednesday, October 26 2022 at 7.00pm**
For more information phone Grace on 027 250 7206



Some of the wonderful comments from over 48 young people who turned up for our first

ST ANNE'S YOUTH EVENT

that was held on
Saturday 1st October



A big thank you to our Sponsor - **DOMINOS PIZZA**
Don't forget to support them, when you think of PIZZA!

Our next event is

SATURDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

after the 5.30pm mass.

Mark it in your Diaries NOW!

This is for 12 to 18 yr old parishioners at present...

Any questions please contact fr Kevin at: kevin.murphy@logos.org.nz

MEETING FOR ALL

MUSICIANS AND SINGERS

There will be a meeting for all who lead music at our Sunday Masses: Sunday 30 Oct 3-4pm, in the Hall.

I would like to meet with you to look at 2 or 3 ways to strengthen this very important part of our weekly prayer. You will also receive an email from Daniella - but this is just a heads-up. Thanks for your constant generosity! I look forward to seeing you Oct 30. Fr Peter

COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR

The Columban Art Calendar is an iconic Catholic Calendar, well-known for its traditional religious paintings and liturgical information and is a major fundraiser for Columban Missionaries. 2023 marks the 101st edition. These make a wonderful Christmas gift and are now available to purchase in the parish office for \$12 each.



CONTINUING DIALOGUE

with HIS EMINENCE HAIGAZOUN NAJARIAN ARCHBISHOP

7PM MONDAY 31 OCTOBER
BISHOP SELWYN CHAPEL

The Archbishop will discuss:

The Armenian Church and her place in the Christian family as well as her role in the shaping of the Armenian nation.

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Deacon Nishan Basmajian nishanbasmajian@gmail.com

ST ANNE'S 2022 CALENDAR



Pencil these dates into your diary & stay involved with our Parish.

OCTOBER

25: Life in the Spirit Seminar
26: Intro to Christian Meditation
29: G.I.F.T. Saints Dinner and Disco

DECEMBER

03: National march for life
25: Christmas Day

NOVEMBER

01: All Saints Day
02: All Souls Day
09: St Anne's safeguarding training
26: St Anne's Youth meeting



REGULAR EVENTS

Temples of the Holy Spirit Prayer Group

Every Monday 8pm
Zoom - contact Serena



Knitting Group

2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month
10am-12pm, Church Lounge



Legion of Mary Senior Meeting

Every Tuesday
6.30-8pm, Church Lounge

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

Every Wednesday
6.30-8.30pm, Chapel



Legion of Mary Rosary

Every Sunday of October
3-4pm, Chapel



Indoor Bowls

Every Wednesday
7:30pm, Hall
Contact Bev 267 2026



Legion of Mary Junior Meeting

Every Friday
5-6pm, Church Lounge

Tongan Sunday School (ECL)

Every Sunday
11am, Church Hall



Samoan Sunday School

Every Sunday
8-10am, Church Hall



Frances Mazur looks back



30th Ordinary Sunday

23rd October 2022

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
Psalms 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
2 Corinthians 5:19
Luke 18:9-14

31st Ordinary Sunday

30th October 2022

Wisdom 11:22-12:2
Psalms 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14
2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2
John 3:16
Luke 19:1-10



RECENTLY DECEASED

Gerry Smy, Robert Hunter,
Sister Frances Stewart,
Lucia Tran and Ann Carr.

THE SICK

Maria Del Rosario, Ellie Mazur, Ian Milliken, Fotulafai Chungsum, Phong Lan, Su'a Pese, Wayne Henry and Alan Taylor

BIRTHDAYS

Sila Asalele, Amelia Blow, Seti Falekaono, Lydia Gafoi, Weston Ioane, Melipa Lafaele, Olivia Malele, Louise Manuatu, Michael Manuatu and Leviticus Otukolo

Special mention to Michael Hilliar celebrating his 70th!



Maryanne Walker (pictured) memories... St Annes my lifelong home parish; my maternal grandparents, Michael and Flora Donelan settled in Manurewa firstly in Massey/Maich Rd, until grandad purchased a 5-acre block in upper Hill Road in 1921, part of the new subdivision of Totara Estate. Grandad, born 1873 in Galway Ireland, a devout Catholic and frequent attendee of Mass, walking the 3 miles (5kms) on the unsealed road; also very handy with his scythe keeping the grass neat around the new church in Weymouth Rd.



Mum Flora, the middle daughter, married Eric Bourdot and they also settled in Hill Road to raise a family of 5; one of her sisters, Kathleen, joined the convent in 1947, Sr Marguerite RSM. My brother Michael, born September 1947 was amongst the first Baptisms in the new parish 75 years ago. When the Convent School opened in 1952 with just 2 classrooms and a roll of 60 our two older sisters attended. Growing numbers in the next decade necessitated Fr Kenefick's garage becoming a temporary classroom where I learned to read and write.

My family were all involved in school and parish life - fundraising, fairs, sports days and picnics at Knock-na-Gree. Legion of Mary and Catholic Women's League for Mum. She was on school lunch roster, and for many years of making all our attire, school blouses and gym slips, shorts and shirts, Communion, Confirmation and debutante dresses, etc. In the mid 70's mum, then a few years widowed, moved to Churchill Ave, backing onto the old school playing field near the church and happily contributing baking and preserves to the presbytery and for many fundraising stalls.

Each of us had left home, one by one, like mum I was the one to settle in Manurewa, marrying Gary Walker at St Annes in January 1973. Our two daughters were pupils of the convent school 1980s and 1990s. In December 1990 wearing a borrowed gymslip I joined the procession from the old school to the new in Russell Road, sharing the leading banner with Robin Belz also an ex-pupil of the Weymouth Rd school.

Daughter Terese went on the altar serving roster when girls were first recruited, both daughters well involved in school and parish activities, including youth group. Dana was married in St Anne's in 2012, Fr Joe Saveni officiating, having known him well as Brother Joe in the parish earlier on.

Over the years I have participated in several groups and programmes, also on Parish Council, extending friendships with other parishioners and their families through Marian Mothers and Family Groups (celebrating Mass in the great outdoors of Botanic Gardens on several occasions). It is great to see the generations continuing within the parish, building community over the decades.

Maryanne is currently an enthusiastic member of the Tuesday Knitters Group - Frances Mazur.

COMMITTEES, GROUPS, & MANAGEMENT

Finance - Meg Goodman, 267 6177, michaelgf@xtra.co.nz

Liturgy - Philip Cortesi, 266 4079, pjcortesi@hotmail.com

Rosters - Philip Cortesi, 266 4079

Music - Daniella Rudolph, 027 230 0945, rudolph.daniella@gmail.com

Health & Safety - Pending.

Hospitality - Tina Shore, 266 7699, 027 440 4563

Events - Christabel Edwards, 021 875 956, christabel.edwards@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul - Antonette Fletcher, 0212603917

Altar Servers - Ana Baice, 021 480 478, anab@stanne.school.nz

Knitting Group - Tina Shore, 027 440 4563 or 266 7699

Indoor Bowls - Bev Glass 267 2026

PRAYER AND CATHOLIC LIVING GROUPS

Couples for Christ - Glen Cunningham, 027 800 0050

Divine Mercy - Pesi Tuala, 027 256 1955, bessietuala@hotmail.com

Legion of Mary - Telesia Burgess, 021 090 49100, burgessestlesia@gmail.com

Temples of the Holy Spirit - Serena Rouse, 269 6353 or 027 322 3540

Sacramental Prog. - Andrew Malele, 021 023 90935, stannesacrament@gmail.com

RCIA Prog. - Therese Lautua, 021 263 6812

Baptisms - Church office 266 5826, stannes@manurewacatholic.org.nz

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Private Houses - Amy Verissimo, 029 264 2102, stannes.sick@gmail.com

Rest Homes - Joseph Tucker, 021 037 0363, stannes.circ@gmail.com

CULTURAL GROUP REPRESENTATIVES

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Samoa - Sala Sefo Tevaga, 0211791406

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Samoa Sunday School - Taua'aletoa Malaetele, 022 043 0637

Tokelauan - Matt Ineleo, 022 326 6139, ineleom@gmail.com

Fijian - Chermayne Raega, 021 167 9230



SAFEGUARDING

COMPLAINTS & CONCERNS:
(Strictly Confidential) For any feedback, complaints and concerns. Your first point of contact for this Parish is Tina Pakipaki: opsmanager.stannes@gmail.com or to leave a strictly confidential message, call 2665826 opt 9.


SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Diocesan led Safeguarding Training available for all those who are working with the vulnerable of our parish
Location: St Anne's Manurewa Hall
Date: Wednesday 9th November
Time: 7:00pm
Please register your attendance by emailing opsmanager.stannes@gmail.com

PARISH OFFICE CONTACT

TUES - FRI 9am - 3pm

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Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship meeting

The Power of the Rosary

An Evening of Prayer, Praise & Worship and Fellowship

All men are invited
The meeting will take time to reflect on the theme 'The Power of the Rosary'. We look forward to your presence. For more information contact Russell 0220345678.

Wednesday 26th October | 7:30PM
ST JOSEPH'S CENTRE, TAKAPUNA



REFLECTION DAY MARY MACKILLOP RETREAT CENTRE MISSION BAY

Kindness is highly valued and considered to be a virtue in most religions and cultures throughout the world. World Kindness Day, marked each year in November, celebrates the people who have brought goodness into the world.

How can we make kindness the norm?

Led by Sr Jill McLoughlin
Saturday 29th October
10:00am - 2:00pm

30 Holgate Rd, Kohimarama
Cost: \$30 waged/\$20 unwaged
Registrations to Sr Julian Langton by October 27th
marymackillopcentre@soj.org.au
Ph: 09 528 1801



TITIPOUNAMU Study & Joy Online Sessions

The Gospel of Matthew with Kieran Fenn fms.
Mondays, 24 October and 7 & 14 November.
ZOOM.
Fee: \$25 (NZD)/session which includes resources.
<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2022/10/02/the-gospel-of-matthew/>

REMEMBERING ALL OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ALL SOULS DAY

In our Church, the month of November is the month when we remember all the faithful departed, who have gone to our heavenly home to be with our Lord. We especially remember and pray for our St Anne's family members who have passed during the last year and our own family members. We pray for them, that they may be enjoying eternal rest in the love and light of Christ. In preparation for this special time, we prepare a banner on which we can write the names of family and friends we wish to be remembered in prayer during November. The banner is out on a table by the baptismal font at all Masses this weekend and next, for you to do this. (Note: only use the pencils provided please)

On **Wednesday 2 November**, we will be celebrating this special day. The midday Mass will go ahead as usual. A special evening Mass at 7.00pm will also be celebrated on that day.

Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you there.
Philip Cortesi (Chair Liturgy Committee)

Come, listen, learn, chat, discuss & be inspired as we unpack Pope Francis' letter...to us!
Exploring Pope Francis' Letter...



Guest Speaker
Rev Pat Brady

The Liturgical Formation of the People of God

Saturday 29th October 9:30am - 3:00pm,
Rosmini College

To register:
Scan the QR Code or contact us at:
liturgycentre@cda.org.nz



ALTAR SERVER, COMMENTATOR, LECTOR AND SPECIAL MINISTER ROSTER

WEEKEND OF THE 29th/30th Oct	29 th - 5:30pm	30 th - 8am	30 th - 10am	30 th - 5pm
ALTAR SERVER 1	Sarah Tully	Etilasi Eti	Jaxon Changaiya	Katarina Yavala
ALTAR SERVER 2	Spencer Ioane	Rita Eti	Aloyze Tafu	Thomas Enoke
ALTAR SERVER 3	Joel Leau	Sophia Lene	Katalina Tautolo	Eline Tipasa
COMMENTATOR	Matthew Norman	Siiva Sala	Penina Ifopo	Michelle Maua
LECTOR 1	Sharon Collins	Karen Gonzaga	Stephanie Luteru	Dean Wearmouth
LECTOR 2	Brendon Ward	Janita Kalolo	Easter Iakopo	Carina King
SP. MINISTER	Patricia Dela Cruz	Bong Sirilan	Papalii L Chungsum	Mafi Kiola
SP. MINISTER	Hazel Dela Cruz	Maimai Sirilan	Sita Poluleuligaga	Langi Nunan
SP. MINISTER	Jose Dela Cruz	Mary Bartlett	Serena Rouse	Andrew Malele
SP. MINISTER		Joseph Tucker	Anna Kiely	
SP. MINISTER		Soane Nofokifolau	Tala Tafu	