

Sunday 25 August 2024 | 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B | Issue #31

# DO YOU ALSO WANT TO GO AWAY? Jn 6:60-69

The world in which we live can no longer be considered Christian. In Aotearoa New Zealand the public do not easily accept the Christian vision of life that used to be transmitted from parents to children from generation to generation

The ideas and guidelines that predominate in our modern culture are far removed from Christian inspiration. We live in a **"post-Christian"** age.

Faith is no longer "something evident and natural". Many people are shaken by doubt, and many allow themselves to be carried away by the currents of the moment, and abandon everything.

The believer can no longer rely on environmental culture or institutions. Faith will depend more and more on the personal decision of each person. Whoever makes the conscious decision to accept and follow Jesus Christ will be a Christian.

# We are moving from a Christianity by birth to a Christianity by decision.

Now a believer will be one who experiences that God does him good and that Jesus Christ helps him to live.

John's Gospel account today is onto it. At a certain point, many of Jesus' disciples hesitate and turn back. Then Jesus says to the Twelve: **"Do you also want to go away?"** Simon Peter answers him on behalf of all from their basic experience:

"Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We believe." Our faith, our Christianity cannot only be by birth but by decision and basic experience.

"And you, do you also want to leave?" Is your answer the same as Peter's? "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We believe."





Fr Tony O'Connor SM.

Parish Priest.



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LORD, TO WHOM SHALL WE GO? YOU HAVE THE WORDS OF ETERNAL LIFE

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### ST ANNE'S 2024 Calendar/Maramataka

#### August/Akuhata

**25th:** Maori Mass at 11:30am **29th:** Marriage Prep Series #2

#### September/Hepetema

10th: Anointing of the Sick at 12:05pm Mass15th: Samoan Mass at 12pm20th: 11am Mass at Elmwood

**22nd:** Maori Mass at 11:30am **October/Oketopa** 

### October/Uketopa

8th: Anointing of the Sick at 12:05pm Mass18th: 11am Mass at Elmwood 27th: Maori Mass at 11:30am

#### November/Noema

11th: Anointing of the Sick at 12:05pm Mass15th: 11am Mass at Elmwood 24th: Maori Mass at 11:30am



### Recently Deceased/ Ngā Mate

Colleen Norman, Evelyn Gillen, Dion Sherman, Carlito Daculan, Fr Dennis O'Hagan SM, Sr Dorothy Stevenson

### The Sick/Ngā Turoro

Fotulafai Chungsum, Phong Lan, Su'a Pese, Elham Kemp, Anne Wallbank, David Wallbank, Anne Stickney, Punipuao Su'a, Anarosa Tofaeono, Gloria Williams, Abbott Heka, Lorraine Va'a, Lourdes Collins, Pauline Arthur, Ly Pham, The St Anne's Primary School Staff

### **Birthday Blessings**/

#### Manaakitanga Huritau Inox Green, Frankie Britten, Grace Anne Aranda, Savelio Neueli, Epiphany Sanele, Maria Fidow, Romeo Smith, Francis Leaupepe, Urshla Leilua Tinai, Akiko Takeda, Metotino Po'oi, Gail September, Riley Joyce Timali Siau, Mi Nguyen, Graciela Mumford, Georgie Greenwood, Erica Rodrigues, Fipe Papali'i, Margaret Meafua, Toma Tovia, Lavinia Fatongiatau, Neville Ah Sue, Etuate Isaake Manu, Steve Dodson, Ella Vuna, May Tau, Xavier Figota, Aliva Mcilravie-Fernando, Fionna Stewart, Kilisitina Umaki, Nico Agana, Malia Faafoi, Amo Papalii, Vika Sakalia, Psalms Lealaogata, Wayne Boon, Lesila Maafu



# In Our Parish/ I roto i to tatou Pārihe

# 8 Week Weightloss Programme

Starting Thursday 12 September, there will be a weightloss challenge programme starting at 6pm and ending at 8pm. This programme goes for 8 weeks and

Start Date: 12 September

Week 1 - Routine

- Week 2 Nutrition
- Week 3 Hydration
- Week 4 Cholesterol & Blood sugars
- Week 5 Exercise
- Week 6 Sleep
- Week 7 Stress
- Week 8 Connect



This is a free programme, light dinner provided. Come along and learn how simple changes can make big impacts on your daily living. Registrations are required so please fill in a form and pop it into the mail slot at the office. Contact the office or Fr Tony for more detail.

## **Diabetes Programme Graduation from the**

### 1st 6 week course



On Thursday the 22nd of August the First Diabetes Course concluded. Some 15 people had registered and some 12 graduated more or less. A big Success!!!

We look forward now to the Weight Loss Course and the Second Diabetes Course mid-September. Watch this space.

## Lost and Found



Our lost and found box is full! If any of these items are yours then please contact the office. We have so many car keys and glasses. All ATM Bank

cards will be destroyed at the end of August.

Rătapu 25th o Akuhata 2024 | Rātapu Rua Tekau ma rima o te wā noa O Te Tau B | Putanga #31

## Communion to the Sick in their Homes



We need to update our list of Eucharist Ministers to the Sick in their Private Homes. If you are taking Communion to people in their homes (even if they are your family) can you please <u>click here</u> and complete the form? Otherwise please scan the QR Code and complete the details.

## **OPERATION ALUMINIUM CANS: SAVE OUR PLANET, HELP THE NEEDY**

We now have **two** plus wool bales of crushed cans...yes CRUSHED cans. Thank You and keep them rolling in. We don't check to see what liquid was in the cans. Ho Ho!



## **REGISTRATION FOR THE FIRST SYNODAL WORKSHOP: YOUTH OBJECTIVE 22ND SEPTEMBER**

Registrations are still open - remember this workshop is for **EVERYONE and ANYONE. Register and come along! The more the** merrier!

We want as many people to come along to the First Syndol 📕 🗖 Workshop: Youth Objective so we can get a wide understanding of what the parish wants and needs. If you can come along then please Click here for the form register here or contact the office.



The same form is available in the atrium. Either fill it in online or use a pen to complete and pop it into the mail slot at the office.

Scan this QR Code for the form

### FACILITATORS MEETING 19TH SEPTEMBER

Final Preparation for Facilitators for the Synodality Workshop of the 22nd September.



The final Facilitator Meeting will take place on Thursday the 19th September at 6pm. Yes 6pm!! In the previous meeting, Manuel Beazley out lined all that was entailed in "Listening in the Spirit and the three tiered process. In the Meeting on Thursday the 19th of September.

Facilitator will be able to practise.

# **MARRIAGE COURSE: FIVE HAPPY COUPLES!**



# PARISH CONTACTS

#### RCIA 8 MONTH PROGRAMME **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS**

For any one who 18 years and over who want to explore the Catholic faith. All are welcome!

Please contact Langi Nunan, 0225272193 rcia.stannes@gmail.com.

#### MARRIAGE PREPARATION **6 WEEK PROGRAMME**

For couples who are considering marriage

Please contact the Parish Office or Fr Tony pastor.stannes2024@gmail.com

Fr Tony O'Connor SM Parish Priest | Marriage Prep pastor.stannes2024@gmail.com 021 981 420

Fr Kevin Murphy SM Youth Group | Altar Servers kevin.murphy@logos.org.nz SACRAMENTAL 12 WEEK PROGRAMME

**1ST RECONCILIATION. HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION** 

For children 8 - 17.

Please contact the Parish Office 266 5826 stannesacrament@gmail.com

#### **INFANT/CHILD BAPTISM** FOR CHILDREN 0 - 7

For Catholic parents who want to baptise their children. Must attend two classes before booking the ceremony

Please contact the Parish Office 266 5826 baptism.stannes@gmail.com

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SAFEGUARDING / TIKANGA HAUMARU

Safeguarding is making a safe space for **all** our people

**Children always need** a caregiver accompanying them to the bathroom.



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COMPLAINTS AND (Strictly Confidential) For any feedback, complaints and concerns. Your first point of contact for this Parish is **CONCERNS:** Tina Pakipaki: opsmanager.stannes@gmail.com

ALTAR	SERVER,	COMMENTATOR,	LECTOR	AND	SPECIAL	MINISTER	ROSTER
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7th/8th September	7th - 5:30pm	8th - 8am	8th - 10am	8th - 5pm
ALTAR SERVER 1	Mateo Baice*	Larissa Utupo	Nathaniel Loremas	Ellie Scorringe
ALTAR SERVER 2	Keely-Shae Whaiapu	Tyler Utupo	Nina Leolaga	Thomas Enoka
ALTAR SERVER 3	Kaia Whaiapu	Isaiah Utupo	Matua Samuel	Latu Enoka
COMMENTATOR	Matthew Norman			Caroline Lauaki
LECTOR 1	Helen Le Marque	DIVINE MERCY	SAMOAN SUNDAY SCHOOL	Michelle Scorringe
LECTOR 2	Sister Margaret Martin			Addison Scorringe*
SP. MINISTER	Maniapoto Vuna	Malia Fa'afoi	Lealo Tuiatua	AJ Scorringe
SP. MINISTER	Jose Dela Cruz	Mele Kautai	Anne Changaiya	Anne Marie Gabitan
SP. MINISTER	Josephine Bose-Fiso	losefo Kalolo	Eteline Tau	Jun Gabitan
SP. MINISTER		Serena Rouse	Lionel Bureta	
SP. MINISTER		Anntonina Savelio	Sita Poluleuligaga	

Please direct any roster related queries to Foa in the Parish Admin Team: frontdesk.stannes@gmail.com