

**TE ARANGA -EASTER SUNDAY****Holy Saturday - Rāhoroi Tapu**

Te Unga Waka 11pm - Easter vigil began with the blessing of fire and procession into church, with Eva carrying aloft our flash new Paschal Candle. Pa sang the Exultet and 8 Kaipānui read the Scriptures. Thank goodness this was the day the clocks went back, so Pa could get some sleep before returning for the 11am Miha Pākate - Easter Mass.

**Easter Sunday - Daytime Mass**

Te Unga Waka 11am

**Weekday Masses** as usual this week at midday, 12 noon.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** - available at weekday Masses and by appointment.

**Pope Francis —April Daily Prayer**

APERIRA PAPA WERAHIKO  
UNIVERSAL PRAYER

*For those who have responsibility in  
economic matter*

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion - and know how to open new paths.

*Kia ora te Whānau o Te  
Ūnga Waka for  
supporting Holy Week  
Masses last week  
Happy Easter*

**OUR HOLY WEEK - Te Unga Waka**

**Palm Sunday** a few new faces, ka pai. We missed Sister Fidelis who used to bring us the 'palms' every year. This year we are grateful to Harry Brown and Annie for supplying them. The Reading of the Passion by seven speakers was the best and the crowd soon got used to shouting their parts.

**Monday** Thank you to Eva and Frazina who attended the Christ Mass at St Pat's Cathedral. They accepted the Holy Oils on behalf of Te Unga Waka. They reported the Cathedral was packed.

**Holy Thursday** Evening Mass of the Last Supper started at 7pm. Several members of Akinehi Tepania's family came to remember her on her anniversary; but some unfortunately were trapped on the motorway.

**Good Friday** A dark looking day but it brightened up. The 3<sup>pm</sup> service was well attended - kia ora ngā Kaipānui who read the lessons and the Passion by St John.

Martha Lepper's anniversary is on Good Friday; but the younger members of the family are mystified that the date of Good Friday is different every year. It was on the 5th when she died. Pa told them to google and read the history of setting the date of Easter. *It's easy: Find the date of the Vernal equinox - from that look for the date of the first full moon - Easter is the following Sunday.*

**BAPTISMS**

*Easter is the greatest time of the year for Baptisms. On Good Friday 2 families came forward to arrange baptisms with Pā for heir babies and also for older children. Kāua e whakamā - Jesus invites you.*

**HE AITUA**

**DOUGLAS MAAKA TEPANIA** passed away last Friday (30<sup>th</sup>) aged 70. Papa o Margaret ratou ko Mark, Kelly, Pateriki, Hoani, Richard, Aimée, Summer. Koro o ngā mokopuna me ngā moko mokopuna. Kaumatua o Hāto Anī, Justice of the Peace Manurewa. There was a Requiem for him at St Anne's Manurewa at 11am before they departed for the north. Tangihanga at Waihapa Marae with nehu āpōpō (2<sup>nd</sup> April). Whānau want to thank Cecilia and her wonderful team of Health Care NZ, Rick and his team of district nurses and Totara Hospice.

**MUTCH ANTHONY SMITH** passed away Monday 26 Maehe. Most of us know him as Zac's fathers, but he has been a very influential figure to his whānau, he kept an eye on them through college and their moves to the big city. More info later. His funeral was last Thursday.

**PA HENARE'S FIRST ANNIVERSARY**

Thank you Ruth for sending the Kōrero Mai Newsletter from Motuti, with a nice photo of Pa at his 50th Jubilee and his thoughts about his Raiatea Project me ngā taonga tuku iho - The Resource and Archive Centre. Heavy rainstorm caused delays in the construction. The footings are all in place and the walls and the first storey should soon arise.

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES**

*remembered daily at Te Unga Waka Mass.*

1<sup>st</sup> April - Dan Rapira, Pā Henare

2<sup>nd</sup> April - Akinehi Mane-Tepania -

*[Holy Thursday Mass he Whakamaharanga mā Akinehi]*

3<sup>rd</sup> April - Alby Williams

5<sup>th</sup> April - Martha Lepper

7<sup>th</sup> April - Charlie Hotere

12<sup>h</sup> April - Raiha Davis

13<sup>th</sup> April - Steve Campbell, Gina Shepherd

**INOINGA MŌ NGĀ TŪRORO**

Pā Anton Timmerman, Pā David Whelan, Pā Sean O'Brien, Pā Tony Brown, King Tuheitia, Tony Zac Smith, Agnes Cherrington, Anna Haines, Arahī Ashby, Basil Brown, Benedict, Bernard Hotere, Bubby Mokaraka, Boss Pomare, Carol King, Cherish Pomare, Christine Lewis, Chum Murphy, Dave Toia, David Brown, David Puckey, David Robinson, Dawn Hawke, Delia Tinklin, Derek Carmichael, Des-Chanel Toalepai, Eve Gallen, Gemma Leef, George and Dot Houghton, George Stephens, Gloria Nightingale, Grace Henry, Henry Tepania, Hēmi and Hine-Mei, Hilda Tumata, Hine Wikaira, **Hone Mautairi\***, Janet Greeks, John Te Pania, Joseph Tepania, Joe Te Whiu, Joe Morunga, John Hancy, John Moynihan, Judy Rogers, Kaleb Savelio Thompson, Katarina Jamieson, Kevin O'Brien, Labby Matthews, Lawrence Kelly, Liam Dargaville, Lorraine Knutson, Lorraine Sutherland, Louise Katene-Riwhi and sister Joy, Margaret Paparao, **Marie Louise**, Martha Henry, Martha London, Martha Perham, Martin Hoani, Matthew Brown, Maria Clarke, Matthew Hoani, Maudie Harris, Maudie Puku, Mere Harris, Moana MacDonald, Moka Te Wake, Monica Manaena, Monica Te Hira, Nan & Pearl, Nan Thomas, Neta Gregory, Nikau Gardiner, Patricia Millar, Paul Hughes, Paul London, Paul Tukere, Pauline Matiu, Percy Davis, Peter Peita, Phyllis Pomare, Reg Dargaville, Rewa Lepper, Robert Tuiloma, Rose Jacobs, Selina Cummings (née Peita), Sorra Matchit, Stephen Dawson, **Talia Mereana Tepania\***, Tamara Grace, Teresa Morris, Teresa Rerekura, Tina & Allen Francis, Tom Hurst, Tom Tepania, Trevor Ellery, Ulalia Kaio, Urania Peita, Vincent Martin and Wesley Henry. **\*Elizabeth** - blood clots.

**\*Hone** - out of hospital but still in a lot of pain

**Join Bishop Pat for the Diocesan Youth Assembly, 1-6<sup>pm</sup>) on Sunday 8 April at St Anne's Parish in Manurewa. And you can volunteer to be one of four delegates to the Diocesan Youth Synod to be held at St Peter's College, Epsom, on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. We qualify as a parish and a large ethnic community.**

*The full letter of invitation and information from the Youth and Young Adult Ministry is enlarged on the Notice Board and many copies are available~~~*

**MARAE IMPORTANT NEWS  
THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
WILL BE AT THE END OF APRIL**

**HOATU TE WHAKAPONO  
KI ĀU MOKOPUNA**

How can you make Jesus 'cool' for your mokopuna? This Easter the Bible Society is giving away 100,000 copies of *The Super Cool Story of Jesus*. It tells the story of Jesus' life, including the Easter events, in playful, rhyming language with fun pictures. **To order your copy go to [www.biblesociety.org.nz/super-cool](http://www.biblesociety.org.nz/super-cool).**

**The book is available now both free to individuals or in bulk**

**I went to Spec Savers the other day for new glasses, and guess who I bumped into? Everyone!**

## MASS READINGS FOR EASTER SUNDAY

Acts 10

Waiata 117 (118)

Colossians 3

John 20

ENGLISH TEXT: CEV

REO MAORI TEXT NA PA HOANE PAPITA

### TUHITUHI TAPU TUATAHI

Ngā Mahi Ūpoko 10<sup>34,37-43</sup>

Then Peter spoke to Cornelius, “You surely know what happened everywhere in Judea. It all began in Galilee after John had told everyone to be baptized. God gave the Holy Spirit and power to Jesus from Nazareth. He was with Jesus, as he went around doing good and healing everyone who was under the power of the devil. We all saw what Jesus did both in Israel and in the city of Jerusalem. Jesus was put to death on a cross. But three days later, God raised him to life and let him be seen. Not everyone saw him. He was seen only by us, who ate and drank with him after he was raised from death. We were the ones God chose to tell others about him. God told us to announce clearly to the people that Jesus is the one he has chosen to judge the living and the dead. Every one of the prophets has said that all who have faith in Jesus will have their sins forgiven in his name.”

Ko te kupu a te Ariki.  
**Whakamoemiti ki te Atua.**

### WAIATA WHAKAUTU 117 / 118

*Wā. Ko te rā tēnei i hangā e te Ariki; kia whakamanamana, kia koa tātou i reira.* [This is the day]

Tell the LORD how thankful you are, because he is kind and always merciful. Let Israel shout: “God is always merciful!” *Wā. Ko te rā tēnei i hangā e te Ariki; kia whakamanamana, kia koa tātou i reira*

With his mighty arm the Lord wins victories! The LORD is powerful!.

My life is safe and I will live to tell what the LORD has done. *Wā.*

***Ko te rā tēnei i hangā e te Ariki; kia whakamanamana, kia koa tātou i reira***

The stone which the builders tossed aside has now become the most important stone. The LORD has done this and it is amazing to us. *Wā. Ko te rā tēnei i hangā e te Ariki; kia whakamanamana, kia koa tātou i reira .*

### TUHITUHI TAPU TUARUA

Pauro ki Korohe 3<sup>1-4</sup>

You have been raised to life with Christ. Now set your heart on what is in heaven, where Christ rules at God’s right hand. Think about what is up there, not about what is here on earth. You died, which means that your life is hidden with Christ, who sits beside God. Christ gives meaning to your life, and when he appears, you will also appear with him in glory. Ko te kupu a te Ariki.

**Whakamoemiti**

***Areruia, areruia, kua ara te Ariki; areruia, areruia, ko te Kaiwhakaora.// R. Horahia te Rongo Pai ki ngā iwi o te ao katoa. Areruia ...***

**RONGO PAI** Hoane 20<sup>1-9</sup>

Na, i te rā tuatahi o te wiki, ka haere a Maria Makarena ki te urupā, i te atatū, i te mea e pōuri ana anō, ā, ka kite i te kōhatu kua tangohia atu i te urupā. Na, ka hohoro te haere, ka tae ki a Haimona Petera rāua ko tērā ākongā i aroha ai a Hēhu, ā, ka mea ki a rāua, “Kua tangohia e rātou te Ariki i te urupā, ā, kāhore mātou e mōhio ki te wāhi i whakatakotoria ai ia e rātou.” Heoi, ko te putanga atu o Petera rāua ko taua ākongā, ā, ka tae ki te urupā. I oma ngātahi anō rāua, otiia i hohoro te omanga o tō tērā

ākongā i tō Petera, ā, ko ia i tae wawe ki te urupā. Na piko iho ana ia, ka kite i ngā kahu rīnene e takoto ana, otiia kīhai ia i tomo ki roto. Na, ka tae mai hoki a Haimona Petera, i aru i ā ia, ā, tomo ana ki te urupā, ka kite ia i ngā rīnene e takoto ana. Me te kākahu hoki i takoto ki runga i tōna mātenga, kīhai i takoto huihui me ngā rīnene, ēngari i tētahi wāhi i tahaki atu, he mea whakakopa. Katahi hoki ka tomo tērā ākongā i tae wawe nei ki te urupā: ā, kite ana, whakapono ana. Kīhai anō hoki rāua i mōhio noa ki te Tuhituhinga: kua takoto te tikanga kia ara ake ia i ngā tūpāpaku. Ko te Rongo Pai a te Ariki.

**Kia whakanuia rā koe e te Ariki e Hēhu Karaiti.**

### GOSPEL

John Ch. 20<sup>1-9</sup>

On Sunday morning while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance. She ran to Simon Peter and to Jesus’ favourite disciple and said, “They have taken the Lord from the tomb! We don’t know where they have put him!” Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. They ran side by side, until the other disciple ran faster than Peter and got there first. He bent over and saw the strips of linen cloth lying inside the tomb, but he did not go in. When Simon Peter got there, he went into the tomb and saw the strips of cloth. He also saw the piece of cloth that had been used to cover Jesus’ face. It was rolled up and in a place by itself. The disciple who got there first then went into the tomb, and when he saw it, he believed. At that time Peter and the other disciple did not know that the Scriptures said Jesus would rise to life.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

## **Kauwhau**

**Tēnā koutou katoa i te Rā  
Aranga ake o Hēhu i te mate.**

The feast of Easter is about the resurrection of Jesus. And yet, when we read the stories about Easter in the Biblical accounts we hear about Jon, about Peter, about Mary Magdalene, about Mary about Salome, about the two disciples on the way to Emmaus. We seem to hear more about the disciples than about Jesus.

After a while we realise that it's an account not only of Jesus coming to life again, but of the disciples also coming back to life. The disciples' light had been put out. They were drowning in their sorrows. They had entered the darkness of despair, they had lost all the Spirit. As disciples of Jesus they too were, so to speak, dead and buried. And what we celebrate here today is indeed the resurrection of Jesus, but also the resurrection of his disciples. They came back to life

A new future opened for them, as that darkness disappeared. The fire came into their hearts again. They drew a new breath.

Today we are those disciples. We are Peter, John, Mary of Salome, Mary Magdalene, the two disciples of Emmaus. And today I hope we discover, that, however big our troubles are, there is a way through them. We do not need to stay buried in them. Today I hope we discover how we can give some direction and meaning to our lives, even though at times, it seems useless. If for example we have no work, you might find another way of filling your life - of giving meaning to your life.

That's the reason why, at Easter we also celebrate our Baptism and we renew it again. We bury the past today. Just like the original Passover of the Jewish people - they had been buried in a foreign country - but the first Passover was the moment they began to rise from slavery - God told them I will be your God and you will - once again - be my people with a new spirit and a new heart.

May this be true of us too - today.

**Happy Easter.**