

RĀTAPU TUATORU**O TE ARANGA****THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Pope Francis reminds us that next Sunday (22nd) is the World Day of

Vocations:-

“God comes silently and discreetly, without imposing on our freedom. Thus it can happen that his voice is drowned out by the many worries and concerns that fill our minds and hearts.” Let us offer one prayer this week for the young people that we know. Let us pray that they will hear the voice of the Good Shepherd amid the daily events of their lives.

Miha Rātapu - Sunday Mass

Te Ūnga Waka 11am

Weekday Masses (Monday to Friday)

midday, 12 noon.

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

**APERIRA PAPA WERAHIKO
UNIVERSAL PRAYER**

Pope Francis —April Daily 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.**

BAPTISMS

On Easter Sunday we welcomed two young brothers, Taylor Jade Smith and Coby Daniel Smith into the whānau of Jesus. Last Sunday we welcomed Ellen Leef, Kiara Leef, Kupe Leef and Zephaniah Romana.

WEDDING

Yesterday (Saturday) we celebrated the wedding of **Leza Corban** and **Adam Renata** at Te Ūnga Waka. Pā Mikaere and Father Khalil shared the ritual, Pā did the English and Maori parts and Fr. Khalil did the Greek and Arabic blessings and the exchange of rings and big signs of the Cross in Arabic, which we all tautoko with a big **Āmene**. Leza wore a beautiful tiara which her mother had worn at her wedding 50 years ago. Leza and Adam will be at 11am Miha today after which they take off for a three week holiday in Lebanon. Pā advised them to wear bullet-proof vests! Fr. Khalil told us he has lived in some very dangerous places like Ramala near Jerusalem, where he was Parish Priest for a while.

HE AITUA

HOKIMATE PAINTING passed away peacefully at Whangarei Hospital on Good Friday, aged 76. Her tangihanga was held at Utakura in Hokianga, where she lay at

Mataitaua Marae until her burial at Paremata on Easter Monday. She is the mother of Tiraroa Bucknell Webb and three of her mokopuna also attended Hato Petera College. *Moe mai rā e te whakaruruhau.*

SISTER MARGARITA Marist Sister passed away in Kaeo Hospital at the age of 96. She is well known and loved by the children who attended Waitaruke Convent School in her era, many of whom managed to get to the funeral in spite of the horrible weather.

ANNETTE TEPANIA tamahine a Winiata rāua ko Maria, i mate 4 Aperira i Ōpōtiki. The *ope* took her to Waihapā for one night and then carried on to Pawarenga ki te kāinga o tōna hoa tāne. Kei reira hoki tā rāua tama e tanu ana.

NETA GREGORY née **Taylor** i mate i te 3 Aperira kei Ngāruawahia. Ko Selwyn tana tāne, ā, he roa te wā e noho ana ia i waenganui i a Tainui, he hoa anō hoki ia o te Kīngitanga. Her wish was to return to Panguru and she lay in Waipuna.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

remembered daily at Te Ūnga Waka Mass.

17th April **Fr. Pat Littlewood MHM**

18th April **Ameria Oppenheim**

22nd April – **Peter Here Pōmare**

24th April – **Fr. Terry Dibble, Lucky Leef,**

Cecilia Mihi Te Rina Cox

25th April **Maria Parker**

26th April – **Richard Tatana**

INOINGA MŌ NGĀ TŪRORO

Sister Margarita SM*, Pā Anton Timmerman, Pā David Whelan, Pā Sean O'Brien, Pā Tony Brown, King Tuheitia, Tony Zac Smith, Agnes Cherrington, Anna Haines, Arahi Ashby, Basil Brown, **Bella Wade***, 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 Paparua, Marie Louise, **Margaret (Irene) St inninato**, Martha Henry, Martha Lundon, 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, Nikau Gardiner, Patricia Millar, Paul Hughes, Paul Lundon, 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.

DIOCESAN YOUTH SYNOD

St Peter's College, Epsom

Sunday 22nd April.**FUTURE OF HĀTO PETERA KURA**

Bishop Pat Dunn, as Proprietor of Hāto Petera College, is undertaking a second consultation process about the possible cancellation of the Integration Agreement for Hāto Petera College. This consultation process is being undertaken by mutual agreement with the Minister of Education, under section 430 of the Education Act 1969. Following due process, this could ultimately result in the closure of the school.

All interested parties are invited to read the 2018 Hato Petera Consultation information available on the Diocesan website www.auckland.catholic.org.nz and make a submission. Submissions are due by **5pm on 14 May 2018**. They must be in writing either via email to hatopeteraconsulting@cda.org.nz or by post to Hato Petera Consultation, Catholic Diocese of Auckland, Private Bag 47904, Ponsonby, Auckland 1144.

**SACRED HEART COLLEGE KAPA
HAKA HIKOI TO EUROPE**

The Kapa Haka has reached France, but unfortunately some of the boys got stomach upsets. We pray that they will recover soon and enjoy the visit to Rome and Monte Cassino and attend Pope Francis' Mass at the Vatican. They are retracing the steps of their famous Old Boy, Sir James Henare, of the 28th Māori Battalion.

St Thomas More Parish warmly invites you to join them in celebrating their 35 years as a parish in Glenfield. Mass will be celebrated 6th May 2018 at 10.00^{am} led by Bishop Pat Dunn at the church in 336 Wairau Road, Glenfield, followed by morning tea in the parish hall. That evening a concert will be held at **7.30^{pm}** at Rosmini College Auditorium, 36 Dominion Street, Takapuna. Doors open at 7.00^{pm}

MARAE NOTICES**1. THE AGM WILL BE 28th APRIL**

Begins at 10^{am} There is a shared lunch

2. Pōwhiri for Wayne Te Tai's whānau on 18th April His whānau in Auckland please will bring pots of food.

3. Last week's storm made a big mess at the back of the marae, scattering old chairs and a table and breaking open part of the roof so that the sky could be seen from inside the hall. Around at the wooden gate on Manukau road next to the shop, the door had also broken off. We are finding tarpaulins etc to keep out the rain.

If a pig loses its voice is it disgruntled?

TUHITUHI TAPU TUATAHINgā Mahi a ngā Āpōtoro 3^{13-15, 17-19}

Peter addressed the people: “The God that Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and our other ancestors worshipped, has brought honour to his servant Jesus. He is the one you betrayed. You turned against him when he was being tried by Pilate, even though Pilate wanted to set him free. You rejected Jesus, who was holy and good. You asked for a murderer to be set free, and you killed the one who leads people to life. But God raised him from death and all of us can tell you what he has done. My friends, I am sure that you and your leaders didn’t know what you were doing. But God had his prophets tell that his Messiah would suffer, and now he has kept that promise. So turn to God! Give up your sins, and you will be forgiven.” Ko te kupu a te Ariki.

Whakamoemiti ki te Atua**WAIATA WHAKAUTU** 4/5

Wā. Kia ara, e te Ariki, te mārama o tōu mata ki runga i a mātou Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

You are my God and protector. Please answer my prayer. I was in terrible distress, but you set me free. Now have pity and listen as I pray.

Wā. Kia ara ...

The Lord has chosen everyone who is faithful to be his very own, and he answers my prayers. *Wā. Kia ara ...*

There are some who ask, Who will be good to us? Let your kindness Lord shine brightly on us. *Wā. Kia*

I can lie down and sleep soundly because you, Lord, will keep me safe.

*Wā. Kia ara, e te Ariki,...***TUHITUHI TAPU TUARUA****1st Letter of John** 2¹⁻⁵

My children, I am writing this so that you won’t sin. But if you do sin, Jesus Christ always does the right thing and he will speak to the Father for us. Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and the sins of all the world’s people. When we obey God we are sure that we know him. But if we claim to know him and don’t obey him, we are lying and the truth isn’t in our hearts. We truly

love God only when we obey him as we should, and then we know that we belong to him. Ko te kupu a te Ariki. **Whakamoemiti ki te Atua**

Areruia: Kua ara te Ariki, areruia, areruia ko te Kaiwhakaora. Nāna te Paipera ihura; mumura ana te ngākau. Areruia ...

RONGO PAI na Ruka 24³⁵⁻⁴⁸

Na, ka kōrerotia e ngā ākonga tokorua ngā mea i meatia i te ara, tō rāua mōhiotanga hoki ki ā ia i te whatiwhatinga o te taro. Ā, i a rāua e kōrero ana i ēnei mea, na, ko te tūnga mai o Hēhu i waenganui i a rātou, na, ka mea ia ki a rātou, “Kia tau te rangimarie ki a koutou.” Na, ohore ana rātou, wehi ana, e mea ana hoki he wairua tā rātou e kite ai. Na, ka mea a Hēhu ki a rātou: “He aha tā koutou ka ohore ai, ka puta ake ai ēnei whakaaro ki roto i ō koutou ngākau? Kia kite i ōku ringa, i ōku waewae, ko ahau anō ia; whāwhākia, tirohia; kāhore hoki ō te wairua kikokiko, wheua rānei, me ōku e kitea nei e koutou.” Ā, te mutunga o tēnei kōrero āna, ka whakakite ia ki a rātou ōna ringa me ōna waewae. Ā, i a rātou e whakateka tonu ana, ā, e mīharo ana, i te hari hoki, ka mea ia ki a rātou: “He kai rānei tā koutou i kōnei?” Na, ka hoatu e rātou ki ā ia tētahi wāhi ika, he mea tunu, me tētahi wāhanga honi. Anō ka kainga e ia i tō rātou aroaro, ka tango ia i te mea i toe, ā, hoatu ana ki a rātou. Ā, ka mea ia ki a rātou: “Ko ngā kupu ēnei i kōrero ai ahau ki a koutou, i a au anō i a koutou, e takoto ana te tikanga kia rite ngā mea katoa kua oti te tuhituhi mōu i roto i te ture a Moihī, i ngā Poropiti, i ngā Hāmi.” Kātahi ia ka whakapuare i ō rātou hinengaro, kia mātau ai ki ngā Tuhituhinga. Ā, ka mea ia ki a rātou: “Ko te mea tēnei i tuhituhia, ko te tikanga anō tēnei, ko te Karaiti kia whakamatea ā, kia ara i ngā tūpāpaku i te toru o ngā ra. Kia kauwhautia anō hoki te ripenetā me te murunga hara i runga i tōna ingoa ki ngā iwi katoa, ki Hiruharama kite ai. Ā, ko koutou hei kaiwhakapono mō ēnei mea.”

Ko te Rongo Pai a te Ariki.

Kia whakanuia rā koe e te Ariki e Hēhu Karaiti.**GOSPEL** LukeCh. 24³⁵⁻⁴⁸

The disciples from Emmaus told what happened on the road and how they knew it was the Lord when he broke the bread. While Jesus’ disciples were talking about what had happened, Jesus appeared and greeted them. They were frightened and terrified, because they thought they were seeing a ghost. But Jesus said, “Why are you so frightened? Why do you doubt? Look at my hands and my feet and see who I am! Touch me and find out for yourselves. Ghosts don’t have flesh and bones as you see I have.” After Jesus said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. The disciples were so glad and amazed that they could not believe it. Jesus then asked them, “Do you have something to eat?” They gave him a piece of baked fish. He took it and ate it as they watched. Jesus said to them, “While I was still with you, I told you that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, the Book of the Prophets, and in the Psalms had to happen.” Then he helped them understand the Scriptures. He told them: “The Scriptures say that the Messiah must suffer, then three days later he will rise from death. They also say that all people of every nation must be told in my name to turn to God, in order to be forgiven. So beginning in Jerusalem, you must tell everything that has happened.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

3rd Sunday of Easter, Year B

Acts 3. 13-15,17-19 1

John 2. 1-5 Luke 24, 35 - 4

Tēnā koutou, te whānau - haere mai - Peka mai - turn aside - i te ao hurihuri kei waho rā - turn from the hustle and bustle of that busy world outside.

Last week in the Auckland area thousands of homes experienced a power cut. In our area it went on for three days. OK it was inconvenient with no heating, no fridge, no freezer, no TV, no computer, no phone, but it was a reminder of how the TV has hijacked our time to think.

It's so important to keep in touch with our spiritual side, and this what our Mass time does for us. For a short time each week we can come aside from all that cacophany.

There is something strange about today's gospel.

Something to which in the beginning perhaps we don't pay much attention to.

Yet it could give us an important clue to understand a bit more about this passage.

Here it is not Jesus who gives his disciples something to eat. In a way we are so used to that idea: Jesus the host at the table.

Here it is the disciples who give Jesus something to eat. Jesus is the guest.

That happens more often in the gospel of St. Luke. Jesus was the guest in the house of Levi, the tax-collector and publican. He might have been a Jew, but he was working for the oppressors. So his place was not a place, *where* other people wanted to be guests, wanted to

be invited. They shunned the place. But it is at that table, that Levi received his forgiveness, became aware, that Jesus had come precisely for people like him, people at the bottom of the heap.

Jesus was also guest in the house of Simon the pharisee. He may not have been too good a host; but in comes that woman of ill repute, and shows him all the hospitality Jesus could have desired. Jesus became her guest, more than Simon's. And again what happens, her many sins are forgiven.

Jesus invites himself also into the house of Zacheus. Whatever exactly was said at that table, in the end Jesus proclaims that Zacheus too was a son of Abraham, a person who belonged and should belong, should not be excluded from the company of people. Zacheus knew he was forgiven.

Salvation has come to his house. Real peace has been bestowed upon it.

I think, that we should read today's gospel in the light of those stories. Here Jesus is again the guest; he visits the home of those who had lost hope, of those, who in their own way had come to a dead end, because Jesus had come to a dead end. They receive peace; they have their hopes restored; and not only do they know themselves forgiven, but they are sent to do the same thing which Jesus did: go to the homes of other Levi's, of other Mary's, of other Zacheuses, and tell them, that they too are offered salvation, hope, peace. There is a story told about an ancient learned man who died many centuries ago. His teachings had been handed

down, but now they were totally misrepresented by his representatives. Being a very kind man, and a lover of truth, he managed after much time to get the grace to come back to earth for a few days. Of course it took him some time convincing these representatives of who he was. But once he had convinced them, they wanted to know the secret of how he came back to life. The scholar was not interested in that; he could not do that, and told them, that it was far more important for the human race, that they would preach his true teaching. But his representatives were not interested in that. They were far more interested in their own arguments and discussion about him.

I tell you this because the resurrection of Jesus is or will, be a total useless thing for us, if we are not prepared to accept the mission he gave his disciples, he gives us: to do, what he did. And in this case, and from this gospel, that is not just a matter of doing the Eucharist on Sundays. It is being in touch and looking for those people, who have lost hope, who have come to a dead end themselves, who have nothing or little to live for, who are down and out. And it is precisely on doing what Jesus did, that those people will experience, that Jesus is for real, and that in you or me he is alive. The disciples of Emmaus, who fed that stranger who came into their house, realised that Jesus was not dead.