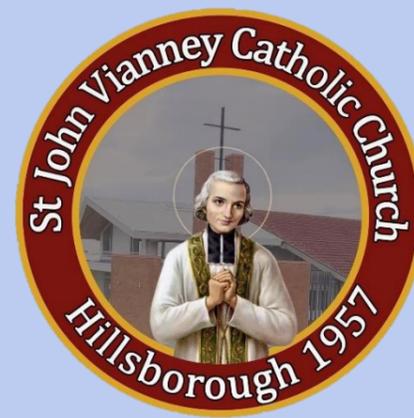


*There is nothing so great as the Eucharist. If God had something more precious, He would have given it to us.*

# St John Vianney

**317 Hillsborough Road, Auckland 1042**



**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent 2023 Year B**

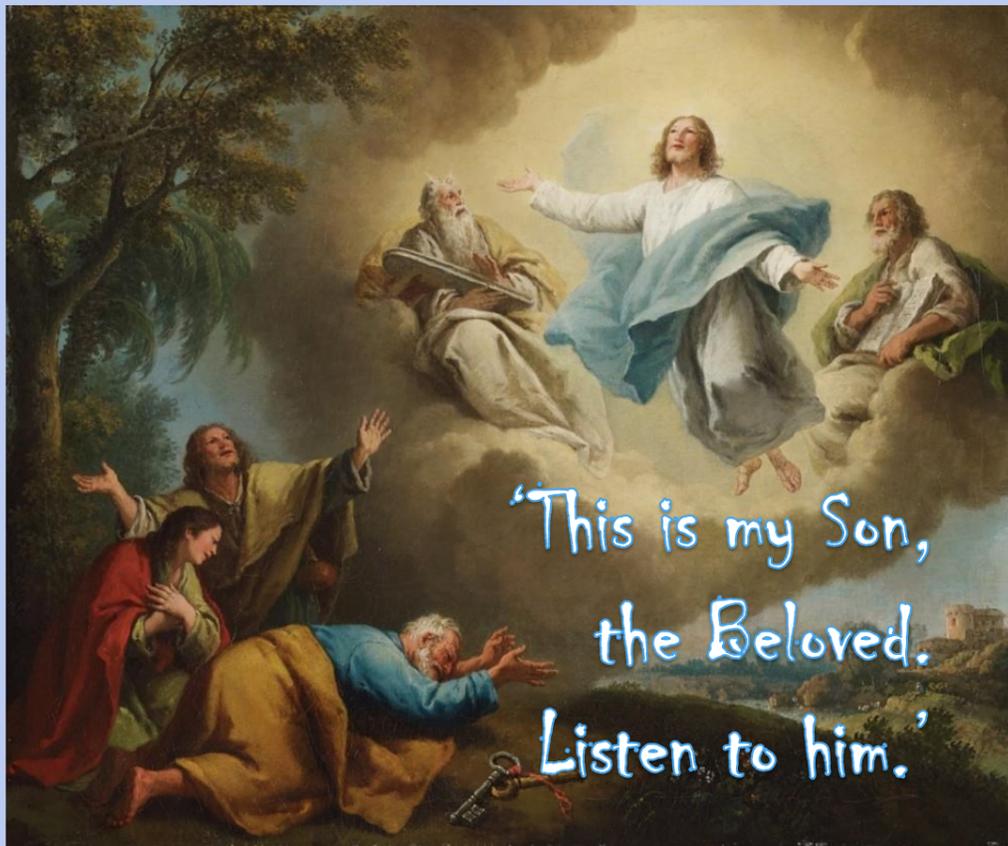
24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**1st Reading:** Genesis 22:1-2,9-13,15-18  
**Psalm 115** I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.  
**2nd Reading:** Romans 8: 31-34  
**Gospel:** Mark 9: 2-10

### This is my Son, the Beloved

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus: 'Rabbi,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what 'rising from the dead' could mean.



*'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'*

**Listen to Him.** Jesus revealed his oneness with sinful humanity by his baptism in the river Jordan. On the mount of transfiguration, he revealed his oneness with God who proclaims, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to Him.' It takes faith to listen to Jesus, who teaches that the path of life leads along the way of the cross. But, as Abraham learned, if we put our faith in God our reward will be great.

St Pauls Sunday Missal, pg. 565

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### Mass Time

Sunday: 9 am & 5:30 pm  
 Monday: No Mass  
 Tuesday: 7 pm  
 Wednesday: 7 pm  
*(Reconciliation at 6:30 pm - 6:50 pm)*  
 Thursday: No Mass  
 Friday: 10 am  
 Saturday: 9 am & 5:30 pm  
*(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession: 8:00 am to 8:50 am)*

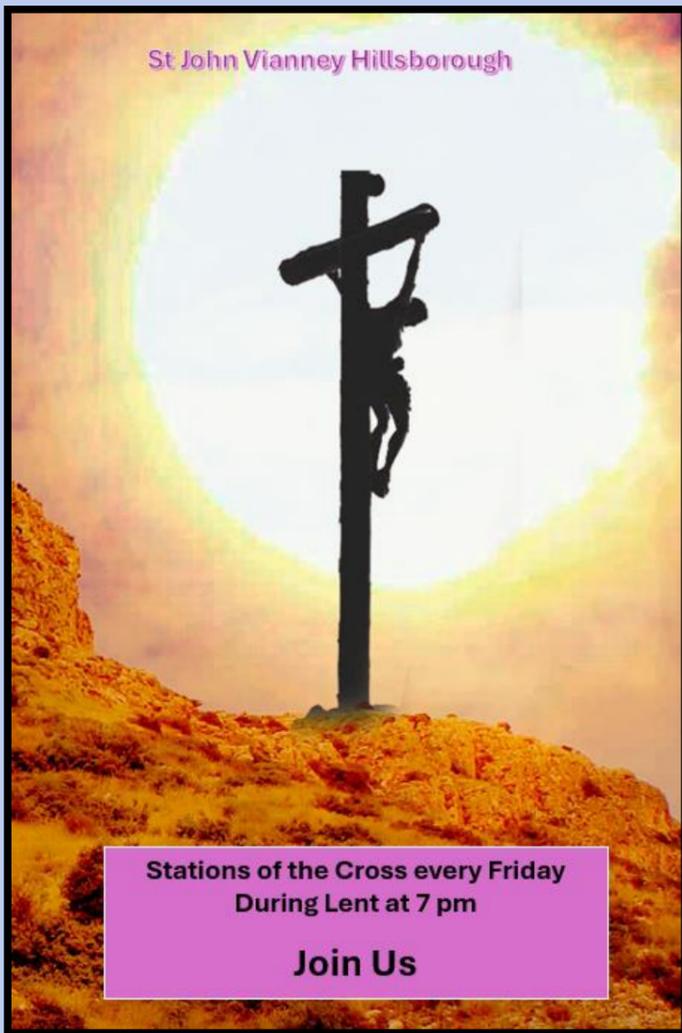
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### Parish Collection last Weekend

17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
 Parish Collection: \$ 1,422.60

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**Sunday 9 am Mass Roster February 2024**

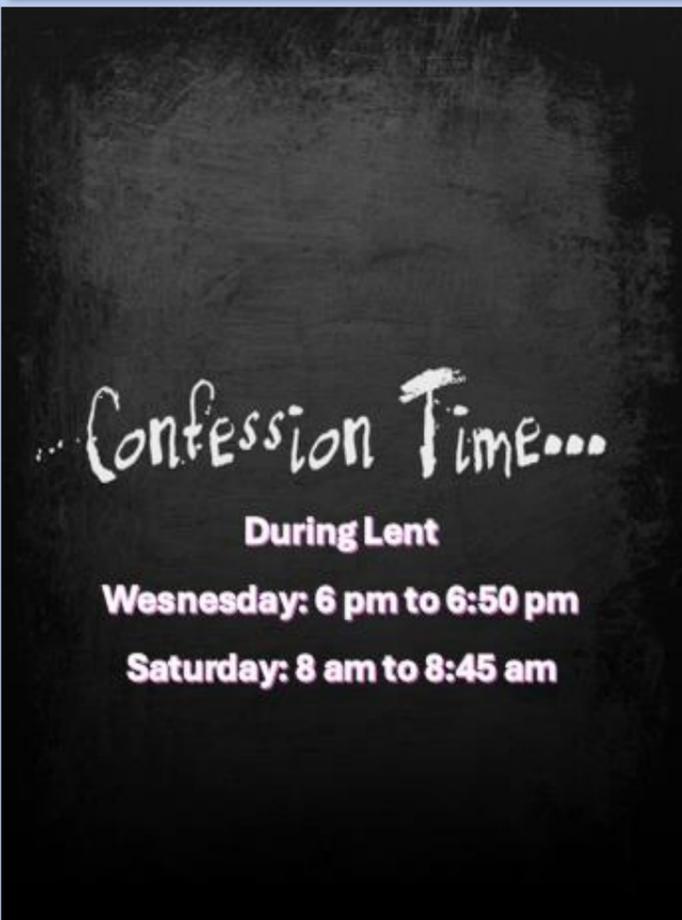
Date	Hospitality	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
4/2	Asian & European Communities	Tara Gomez, John Adrian Emily Villafania	Jason, Lilian Fo'ou, Ralph Lautua, Anil Mathew
11/2	Samoa Community and Tangata Whenua	Jeremy Ruane, Cecilia Smith Georgia Cuer	William Naufahu, Tusi Smith, John Togafiti, Rosita Ekeroma
18/2	Indian & Sri Lankan Community	Youth Mass	Maureen Lowe, Lukanne Lowe, Anil Mathew, Lucia Saldanha,
25/2	Pacific Community (Tongan, Fijian, Niuean, Vanuatu etc)	Sharlene Havea, Alise Sevele Angscar Palle	Lilian Fo'ou, Ralph Lautua, Olivia Pale, Sete Sevele

**Saturday 5:30 pm Roster February 2024**

Date	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
3/2	Lester D'Souza, Palmira Fonseca, Claudia Cachay	Jenifa D'Souza, Chantel D'Souza, Sangeeta Sequeira , Hilda Leung
10/2	Tina Soares, Beverley and Gavin Mehrotha	Jenifa D'Souza, Chantel D'Souza, Sangeeta Sequeira , Hilda Leung
17/2	Clementine Rodrigues, Clair Barry, Hector DeSouza	Jenifa D'Souza, Chantel D'Souza, Sangeeta Sequeira , Hilda Leung
24/2	Arca Fernandes, Janice Cruz and Julih Tan	Jenifa D'Souza, Chantel D'Souza, Sangeeta Sequeira , Hilda Leung

**Sunday 5:30 pm Mass Roster February**

Date	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
4/2	Holy Angels	Ken D'Souza, Melissa D'Souza Zach Pinto, Sarah McAlpine
11/2	Family Mass	Ken D'Souza, Melissa D'Souza Zach Pinto. Sarah McAlpine
18/2	Abe Villanueva, Bintah Perera, Neil Rondez	Ken D'Souza, Melissa D'Souza Zach Pinto. Sarah McAlpine
25/2	Diana Gomes, Leonora Fisk, Jesty Chettair	Ken D'Souza, Melissa D'Souza Zach Pinto. Sarah McAlpine



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CHILDREN WHO ARE STARTING THEIR SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM THIS YEAR 2024**

- Peter Harsimar
- (Emmy) Emmeline Fasi
- Ganihiachchi Kankanamalage Dinara
- Sethumdee
- Ferd Xavier Suarin
- Hope Oriana Grey
- (Shunder) Ziander Laurenciana
- Grace Jennifer Blake
- Blake Taifinofu
- Ivy Jennifer Matthews
- Aidan Smith
- Neil Sean Rodrigues
- Ammy Sean Rodrigues
- Easton Smith
- Oliver Fujimoto McPhail
- Emily Morris
- Pedro Da Silva
- Isabella Rodrigues Alarcon
- Pesani Lea'Aetoa Lolohea
- Luanaliah Wulf-Togafiti
- Lenber John William Sio-Go
- Hoi Kit Robin Au Yeung
- Inoke John Joshua Allumah Vosaicake
- Euhana Issey Sorriano
  
- Uputaua (Debra) Smith
- Brian Smith
- Zeus Janeri Laurenciana
- Franchesca Laurenciana
- George Smith
- Eunne Isaiah C. Soriano
- Eunice Ianna C. Soriano



During Lent, join with us every Friday at 7 pm here at St John Vianney Parish Hillsborough to pray the Stations of the Cross.

**Holy Week Timetable**

Holy Thursday: 7 pm

Good Friday:  
10 am Stations of the Cross  
and  
3 Pm Passion of Christ

Saturday Easter Vigil: 7 pm



**THE WALTER FRANCIS DARBY TRUST SCHOLARSHIP FOR MEDICAL STUDENTS IF YOU ARE A FOURTH- or fifth-year medical student in 2024, are an active Catholic and normally reside within the Auckland Diocese you may be eligible for the Walter Francis Darby Trust Scholarship. For more information email [scholarships@cda.org.nz](mailto:scholarships@cda.org.nz)**

**BILLINGS OVULATION METHOD TRAINING SEMINAR** Christchurch Saturday and Sunday 27 and 28 April Natural Fertility Management. This seminar will benefit Health Professionals and Natural Health practitioners interested in women's health and fertility, those wishing to become accredited Billings Teachers, and those using or considering using the Billings Method. The seminar will also interest those involved in pre-marriage counselling and those wishing to promote the Method within their community. The Billings Method teaches accurate, evidence-based, scientific self-knowledge about human fertility. The "Billings Ovulation Method Natural Fertility Training Seminar" activity has been endorsed by the Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners and has been approved for up to 11.15 CME credits for Continuing Professional Development (CPD) purposes. It is also supported by the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference. For further information and to register go to: <https://www.billingslife.org.nz/training-seminar>

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** Our Onehunga Vinnies Op shop needs another volunteer to help Terry test and tag electrical donations using our appliance tester. Are you retired and interested in helping us out? Full training given to the right volunteer. We also need more volunteers to join our friendly team and help us in our busy shop and storeroom. Please contact Wanda Ph: 634-2697 or 021-248-0629 or [vinniesopshop.onehunga@gmail.com](mailto:vinniesopshop.onehunga@gmail.com) to find out more.



**YEAR OF PRAYER POPE FRANCIS** has dedicated 2024 as a Year of Prayer in preparation for the Jubilee Year of 2025. Resources are available on the diocesan website <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/year-of-prayer/> and will be updated regularly particularly as resources become available through the Dicastery for Evangelization.

**PARISH ZUMBA.** Our Samoan Community in our parish invites us all to join them in their weekly Health and Fitness Zumba Exercise – 7:30 am every Saturday, and the venue is at the parish hall.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**  
14 FEBRUARY - 24 MARCH

All are welcome to participate in these vigils:

**MAR 6 MIDPOINT CANDELIGHT VIGIL**  
**MAR 24 PALM SUNDAY CANDELIGHT VIGIL**

Both vigils 7:30pm  
See website for location.

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**"GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES"** MATTHEW 28:19

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**Monday, 11 March 2024**  
7PM - 8:30 PM

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**PROLIFE:** The Auckland Committee of Voice for Life warmly invites you to attend their "Real-life Law & Ethics for Medical and Legal Professionals" Training Day. As well as medical or legal professionals, anyone wishing to be a voice for life in their day-to-day interactions will benefit from attending, with more than 10 incredible, varied sessions. Hear from legal, medical and ethical experts including policy and culture experts, Alex Penk and Brendan Malone, legal experts, Ian Bassett and Owen Posthuma; medical experts, Dr Martin Ng and Dr Joseph Hassan; and social support experts, Mike Porteous and Marina Young. Learn about the limits of the current abortion and euthanasia laws. Learn what you can do and say to maintain your pro-life values while having compassionate conversations in the workplace. Whether you're a passionate pro-lifer, or someone who is new to conversations around abortion, euthanasia and ethics – learn and network at the Real-Life Law & Ethics Training Day! Morning tea and lunch provided. All are welcome to attend this free event, which will be held at the Reformed Church of the North Shore, Trias Road, Sunnynook, on 2 March, 2024. Visit <https://www.voiceforlife.org.nz/ak24> to find out more. For more pro-life information, visit Voice for Life at [www.voiceforlife.org.nz](http://www.voiceforlife.org.nz).

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with Kieran Fenn fms

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(Pope Francis)



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Any questions or comments please contact the office.

Please indicate:

- I wish to be listed on the parish roll.
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