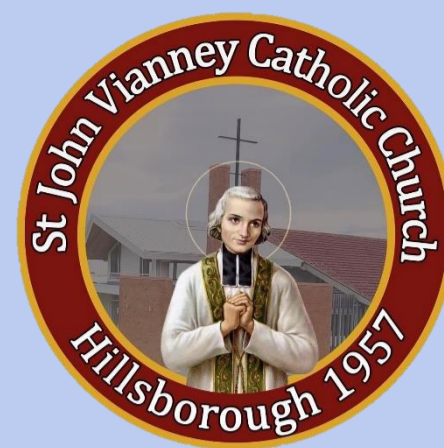


*There is nothing so great as the Eucharist. If God had something more precious,  
He would have given it to us.*

# St John Vianney

**317 Hillsborough Road, Auckland 1042**



**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent 2024 Year B**

9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> March 2024

**1st Reading:** 2 Chronicles 36:14-16,19-23  
**Psalm 136** Let my tongue be silenced if I ever forget you!  
**2nd Reading:** Ephesians 2:4-10  
**Gospel:** John 3: 14-21

**God sent his Son so that through him the world might be saved.**

Jesus said to Nicodemus:  
'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.

On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'



**God loved the world so much.** During the season of Lent, we humbly acknowledge the ways in which we have failed to respond to our Christian vocation. We do this before a God who infinitely rich in mercy and grace, who sent the Son into the world not to condemn it but to be its saviour. Acknowledging our failings and accepting healing and forgiveness from Christ prepares us to celebrate the feast of Easter with great joy.

St Pauls Sunday Missal, pg. 575

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**Please respect the presbytery (Priest House).** It is a private place, not a public place. Be mindful that we are not allowed to just roam around the presbytery area. We must give a space to the priest and visiting priests to rest.



### 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)

### Fr. Samuel Pulanco

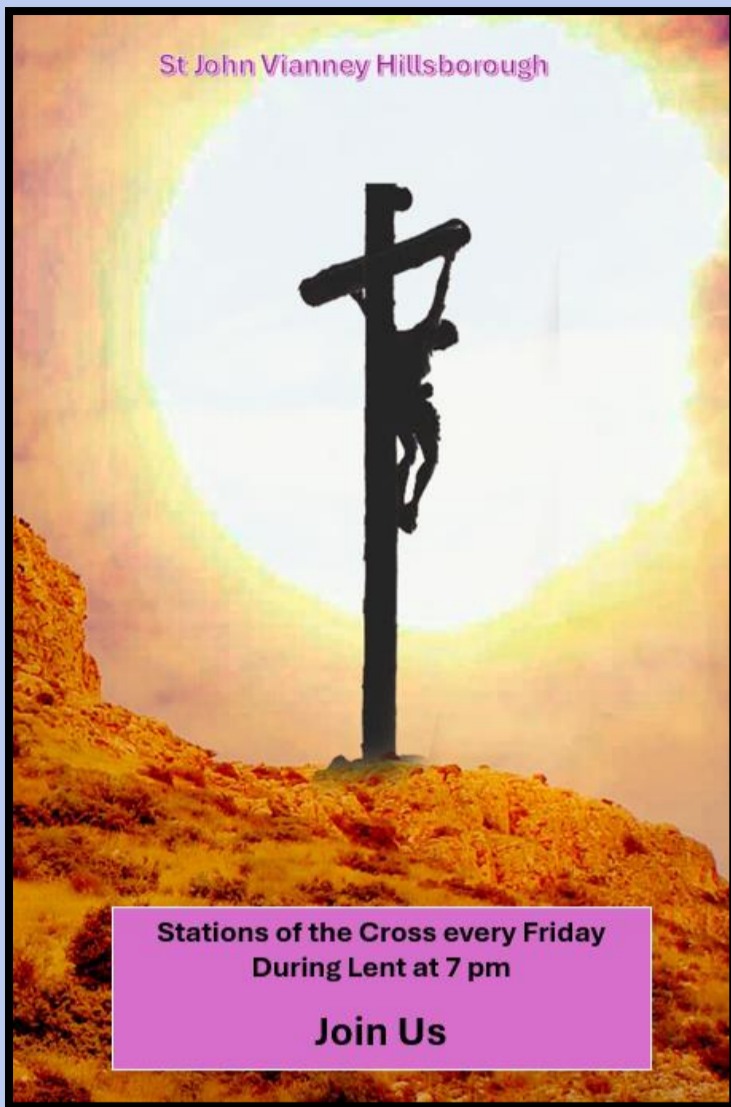
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### Parish Collection

**last Weekend**  
2|3 March 2024

Parish Collection: \$ 1,151.40

Name: RC Bishop of Auckland-Hillsborough  
Account #: 02-0108-0707833-001  
Code: **Your Name (complete name)**  
Reference: **Offering**  
Particulars: **Donation**



**Sunday 9 am Mass Roster February 2024**

Date	Hospitality	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
3/3	Asian & European Communities	Dimple, Cornelis Kok, Ariadne Nonay	Jason, Lilian Fo'ou, Ralph Lautua, Anil Mathew
10/3	Samoa Community and Tangata Whenua	Jeremy Ruane, Cecilia Smith Georgia Cuer	William Naufahu, Tusi Smith, John Togafiti, Rosita Ekeroma
17/3	Indian & Sri Lankan Community	Youth Mass	Maureen Lowe, Lukanne Lowe, Anil Mathew, Lucia Saldanha,
24/3	Pacific Community (Tongan, Fijian, Niuean, Vanuatu etc)	Sharlene Havea, Alise Sevele Angscar Palle	Lilian Fo'ou, Ralph Lautua, Olivia Pale, Sete Sevele

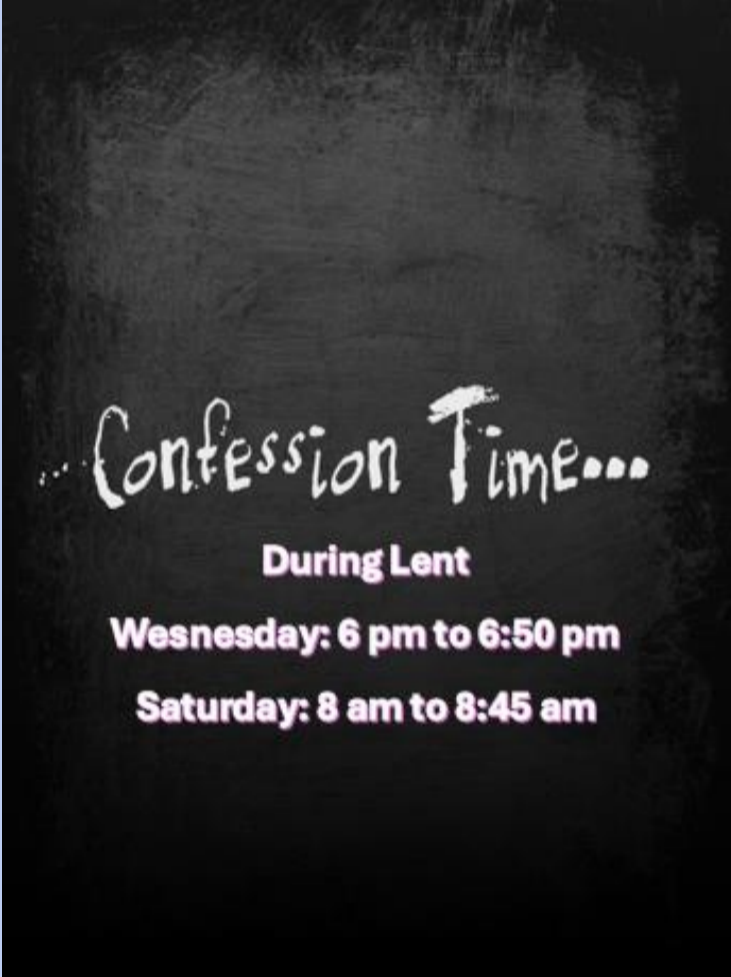
**Saturday 5:30 pm Roster February 2024**

Date	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
2/3	Lester D'Souza, Palmira Fonseca, Claudia Cachay	Jenifa D'Souza, Chantel D'Souza, Sangeeta Sequeira, Hilda Leung
9/3	Tina Soares, Beverley and Gavin Mehrotha	Jenifa D'Souza, Chantel D'Souza, Sangeeta Sequeira, Hilda Leung
16/3	Clementine Rodrigues, Clair Barry, Hector DeSouza	Jenifa D'Souza, Chantel D'Souza, Sangeeta Sequeira, Hilda Leung
23/3	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
3/3	Volunteers	Zach Pinto, Sarah McAlpine
10/3	Family Mass	Zach Pinto. Sarah McAlpine
17/3	Abe Villanueva, Bintah Perera, Neil Rondez	Zach Pinto. Sarah McAlpine
24/3	Diana Gomes, Leonora Fisk, Jesty Chettair	Zach Pinto. Sarah McAlpine

**On Palm Sunday and Easter Triduum**  
**Fr. Sam will ask parishioners to read and to be the Eucharistic Ministers.**



**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**

- 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
  - Francesca 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.

**Candlelight Vigil for the Unborn:** We are nearly half-way through the 40 Days for Life Vigil (praying to end abortion and for the healing of all who participate in it and promote it). Join us for our midpoint Candlelight Vigil!  
 When? Wednesday 6 March – at 7:30 p.m.  
 Where? Potter's Park – corner of Dominion and Balmoral Roads, Balmoral  
 For more information, contact Simon: 021 400 729 – [simon@fli.org.nz](mailto:simon@fli.org.nz) or at [www.fli.org.nz/40daysforlife/](http://www.fli.org.nz/40daysforlife/)

**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.



**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

14 FEBRUARY - 24 MARCH



All are welcome to participate in these vigils:

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

Both vigils 7:30pm  
 See website for location.

Sponsored by:



**This Lent change hearts & minds**

by publicly witnessing to the dignity of every human person from conception, and by praying for an end to abortion.

**MONDAY TO SATURDAY 7AM TO 1PM**

Corner of Dominion Rd & Prospect Terrace Mt Eden (Near AMAC)

Note: Please get in touch if you would like to participate outside official hours. This location is outside the exclusion zone.

Sign up for your hour at: [FLI.ORG.NZ/40DAYSFORLIFE](http://FLI.ORG.NZ/40DAYSFORLIFE)

For more info contact: Simon: 021 400 729 | [simon@fli.org.nz](mailto:simon@fli.org.nz)

**gej set**  
 10th ANNIVERSARY

A CHRISTIAN RETREAT FOR AGES 18-35

**BY THE STREAM**  
 PSALM 1:1-3

12TH -14TH APRIL 2024  
 HOUGHTON'S BUSH CAMP, MURIWAI

REGISTER: <http://tinyurl.com/GetSet2024>

FEE: \$80

CONTACT: [getset.auckland@gmail.com](mailto:getset.auckland@gmail.com)

**KAIROS NEW ZEALAND ARE HOSTING OUR ANNUAL 'GETSET' RETREAT AT HOUGHTONS BUSH CAMP,** Muriwai, from Friday 12 April 2024 6pm onwards to Sunday 14 April 2024 2.45pm. This is the 10th anniversary of GetSet and it promises to be a special one.

We invite all young adults aged 18-35 years to attend. The Theme this year is "By the Stream" based on Psalm 1:1-3 and we will explore what it means to be refreshed and renewed by God's Word.

The retreat is filled with insightful talks, Praise and Worship, Workshop, Games and above all an opportunity to grow in your faith, widen your friend circle and have fun in doing all of this.

To register please check out the poster on the church notice board or pick up a flyer. Register at: <http://tinyurl.com/GetSet2024>. For more information, please contact Karyn Coutinho 021806855 or email [getset.auckland@gmail.com](mailto:getset.auckland@gmail.com)

**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.

**NZCatholic** \$4  
 The national Catholic newspaper March 10 - 23, 2024 • No. 680

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**26 SEPT**  
**08 DAYS**  
**TURKEY**  
 WITH CAPPADOCIA  
 ANKARA - PAMUKALLE - KONYA - KUSADASI - ISTANBUL  
 HOT AIR BALLOON RIDE, MEVLANA MUSEUM, HIERAPOLIS, EPHEBUS, HOUSE OF THE VIRGIN MARY, ST JOHN'S CHURCH, BLUE MOSQUE, HAGIA SOPHIA, BOSPHORUS RIVER CRUISE, GRAND BAZAAR AND SO MUCH MORE...

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 HOPE FOR PARISHES IN A POST-CHRISTIAN AGE

Monday, 11 March 2024  
 7PM - 8:30 PM  
 \$15 per person

St. Francis Friary and Retreat Centre  
 50 Hillsborough Road, Hillsborough, Auckland 1042

For more info, email [cheryl.surrey@divinerenovation.org](mailto:cheryl.surrey@divinerenovation.org)

Fr. Chris Ryan MGL  
 Parish Priest - St Declan's, Sydney



**BIBLE STORIES - WHAT DO THEY MEAN?**

Join us in unravelling Bible stories and looking for answers within a group, and with Bible Scholar Kieran Fenn fms.

Sundays, 07 Apr, 05 May 2024, 5-6pm (Zoom). Koha

Please check out an introduction to the sessions, and register here:

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2024/01/19/bible-stories-what-do-they-mean/>

The Mystery of Miracles Mondays, 08/15/22/29 April 2024, 7-8.30pm

\$25/session or \$80/series, incl. study material.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2024/01/11/the-mystery-of-miracles/>

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**TOPIC: THE BOOK OF JOB**  
5 THINGS TO KNOW BEFORE READING

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LECTURE ROOM 2 (ZOOM LINK AVAILABLE)

6PM - 8.30PM (2 X 1 HOUR TALKS)



**DIVINE MERCY FEAST AT ST BENEDICT'S PARISH SUNDAY 7TH APRIL AT 5:30PM.** 1 St Benedict's Street, Eden Terrace. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Blessing of Images, Benediction, Holy Mass, Veneration of St Faustina's relic. Bring your Divine Mercy images & artefacts to be blessed. Free Parking at Wilson carpark & street parking is also free on Sunday.



**EASTER IS A TIME OF NEW LIFE AND NEW BEGINNINGS.** We're reaching out to our generous supporters to help make this Easter unforgettable for the children residing in Monte Cecilia accommodation, and to demonstrate hope to the families we support.

**How You Can Help:** Donate an Easter egg (or two!) at our main office: 30 Windrush Close, Mangere, Auckland

Please keep in mind the summer temperatures and keep the eggs cool on the way so we don't have Easter chocolate slabs! You can also contribute towards the purchase of eggs via donating through [our website](#).

**Deadline for Donations:** Please make sure your donations arrive by Tuesday, 26 March to ensure they can be distributed in time for Easter celebrations.

Your kindness will bring a spark of happiness to the lives of many children and families. Together, let's make this Easter a memorable one for our community!



# Parish Roll & Planned Giving Programme

**W**elcome to our visitors and new parishioners. If you would like to be part of the Planned Giving Programme, please feel free to complete this form and place it in the collection basket or leave it at the parish office.

Any questions or comments please contact the office.

**Please indicate:**

- I wish to be listed on the parish roll.
- I wish to contribute to the parish on a one-off donation (please contact the office for the parish account).
- I wish to make a bequest to St John Vianney Parish, Hillsborough
- I wish to use the automatic payment system.
- I wish to use the envelope system.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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