# HOLY FAMILY PARISH MASSES and other Liturgical Celebrations:

Daily morning Masses: 9.00am Monday to Saturday Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.00pm Sunday Masses: 8.30am - St. John of the Cross 9.30am - Holy Family Community Masses: Samoan Community – 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 11.00am Cook Islands – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 11.00am Myanmar Community – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 11.00am Tokelau – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 11am at St. John of the Cross

Multicultural Mass – Every 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 9.30am Sunday Adoration – Every Sunday at 5.00pm Reconciliation – At any time before and after Mass

Baptism – By appointment

### PARISH NOTICES AND UPDATES

#### Sunday Adoration - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament No Adoration today, starts again next Sunday at 5pm.

#### **Guidelines for Confirmation Sunday**

- No singing nor any type of music or digital slides during the anointing of the candidates.
- No cameras or recordings are allowed in the church during the ceremony. There will be a photographer taking pictures which will be distributed later.
- Switch phones off or put on silent mode.

#### Sacrament of Confirmation by Archbishop Paul Martin

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am. All candidates and sponsors gather at the Presbytery at 8.45am for the Badges, and at the Foyer by 9.00am.

**Shared Lunch** after Mass at the school hall. Please bring a plate to share.

## **HOLY FAMILY PARISH**



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## TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 15<sup>th</sup> September 2024

### Dear Parishioners: Kia orana, Greetings, Talofa lava, Malo ni, Mingalaba, Mauri, Ola, Namaste, Malo Lelei & Nibula.

Today's Gospel explains the basis of our Faith as our acceptance of Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the Living God and our Lord and Savior. Jesus saw aspects of His own life and mission foreshadowed in Isaiah's Servant Songs. Hence, a large portion of the Third Song of the Suffering Servant is presented as the first reading today, while in the Gospel, Jesus foretells his passion, death, and Resurrection for the first time, in response to Peter's profession of Faith in him as God's Messiah and Savior.

Like the servant described in today's first reading, Jesus' lived a life of radical obedience and conformity to God's will. Thus, the Servant passage provides background for the revelation of Jesus as the suffering Messiah. In today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 116), the Psalmist invites us to turn to the Lord for help amidst the trials of this world. It is in God that we will find deliverance from trouble and relief from our afflictions. (Ps 116). Today's second reading, taken from the Letter of James to the Church, reminds us that suffering is not only something to be accepted but also something to be alleviated. James explains how our Faith in Jesus, the Messiah, should help us to alleviate the sufferings of others by our works of mercy, both corporal and spiritual.

In the Gospel, in response to Peter's profession of Faith in Jesus as God's Messiah and Savior, Jesus foretells, for the first of three times, his passion, death and Resurrection which lie ahead. Today's Gospel consists of two sections: 1) the Messianic confession of Peter, who acknowledged Jesus as "*the Christ (Messiah), the Son of the living God.*" and 2) Jesus' prediction of his passion, death and Resurrection, followed by Jesus clear teaching on the three conditions of Christian discipleship: "Whoever wishes to come after Me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow Me."

#### **SUNDAY READINGS – YEAR B**

#### 15 Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 1<sup>st</sup> R: Isaiah 50: 5 9
- Responsorial Psalm: 116
- 2<sup>nd</sup> R: James 2: 14 18
   Gospel: Mark 8: 27 35

- 22 Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
  1<sup>st</sup> R: Wisdom 2:12, 17 20
  - Responsorial Psalm: 54
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> R: James 3: 16 4: 3
  - Gospel: Mark 9: 30 37
- PARISH COLLECTIONS FOR SUNDAY, 8th September 2024
  - Parish \$2,427.70
  - Building Fund \$602.00

Generosity consists not the sum given, but the manner in which it is bestowed.

May God bless you always.

#### **PARISH VISION STATEMENT**

The Holy Family is committed to the person of Jesus in his teaching. Therefore, we are called to live justly, to love tenderly and to walk humbly with our God (Micah 6:8) so that we might become effective witnesses of the Gospel.

#### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We will dedicate ourselves to live and spread the Good News of Jesus Christ by words and actions. In following Jesus, Mary and Joseph in their love for each other, the example of their family life, we will come to true holiness. We will strive to imitate the Holy Family by:

- Being a loving, welcoming and forgiving community, fully alive in the spirit of Holy Family.
- Teaching our children, the Gospel way of life and encouraging them always to share fully in the life of our Parish.
- Celebrating the Eucharist as a joyful remembrance of our Lord's sacrifice for us.
- Being a community of prayer that reaches out and open to other faith communities.
- Being an "Oasis" of hope, love and mercy to God's children.
- Being witnesses to the Gospel of Jesus, strengthened by our cultural diversity.



Sealed with the Holy Spirit, we are configured more closely to Christ and strengthened to bear witness to him in our world. May each of us grow in gratitude for the gift received at our Confirmation and open our hearts ever more fully to the creativity of the Spirit who makes all things new.

## **2024 CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**

EIGHT-YEAR OLDS Mi Meh REH Merrick PAGTOLINGAN Zachary MIKAELE-TEVAGA Lazarus PURDIE-AKAVI Monū RANFURLY-NERU John PAUL Boston PEREZ-SAOLELE

#### **NINE-YEAR OLDS**

Audrey-Rose REUELU-SMITH Maliana TUIMAUGA Robert SCHWALGER Pelenatete TAUALAI Esau POAI-GLEDINING Jericho AFAMASAGA Janeiro AFAMASAGA Catherine INMAE-BAWI Viliamu Sagato TIUMALU Macarius TOVIO-FINAU Kobe-Max TAUVAE Via Vince ALA



**TEN-YEAR OLDS** Jasper ESTCOURT Feo RANFURLY-NERU Veronica PAUL Kaleb STANLEY Simon ILI-MANAVA Ayla PEREZ Bawi SUATHYNG Michael SEKTAK Isabella Thompson Melisa TUIMAUGA Hsay MO (Shay Mo) Senio FUIONO Jnr Liam DENNIS Fiti Afiafi ALA Jecobi IEREMIA Eli Marley **REUELU-SMITH** Sofia BOND Mary IASEKA-TOVIO Ineia RANFURLY-

Ting SUATHYNG Terifa'aotua Natoealofa Fetalaiga LOKENI Desiree AUMUA-PESETA

NERU

#### 11 AND 12-YEAR OLDS

Amelia PEREZ Ashlee-Pearl TAVITA Sale FALETUTULU Nirvana TELEAGA-LETELE Sky FALETUTULU Gwvneth DENNIS Aaliyah FALETUTULU Josh LOGOLOGO Xavier TAVITA Tavita FUIONO Deighton KIMI Havley THOMPSON Bri-Ana TOLOVA'A Nila FUIONO Senio FUIONO

#### ADULTS

Tupou FUIONO Ian DENNIS