

## FAREWELL

We thank Fr Richard Cortes and Fr James Mulligan for their Ministry among us at Takapuna Parish.

Fr Richard will be leaving mid February and Fr James at the end of January.

Please join us to farewell Fr Richard after the 10am Mass on Sunday 11 February in the Parish Hall.

Fr James farewell Morning Tea will be Wed. 31 Jan. after the 9.15am Mass in the Flanagan Lounge.

## WELCOME

We welcome  
Fr Christopher Brady  
and  
Fr Jude Algama

who join us from early  
February.

MERCY SPIRITUALITY CENTRE  
104 THE DRIVE, EPSOM  
PH. 09 638 6238

Pondering St John's Gospel with  
Fr Stuart Sellar—22 Feb,  
1 March, 8, 15, 22 March

The Healing Powers of Singing Saturday,  
24 February

Return of the Prodigal Son  
Friday, 2 March

2018 Calendar of Events go to:  
[info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz](mailto:info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz)  
[www.mercy-spiritualitycentre.org.nz](http://www.mercy-spiritualitycentre.org.nz)



*"Faith makes us open to the quiet presence of God at every moment of our lives, in every person and in every situation."*

## St Joseph's Youth Minister

St Joseph's Parish Takapuna is looking to employ a leader for parish youth ministry from February 2018, initially 5 hours per week. Information from Morna at [stjosephstakapuna@xtra.co.nz](mailto:stjosephstakapuna@xtra.co.nz) or 09 489 6486.



LIVING THE BREAD OF JUSTICE  
WITH SUZANNE AUBERT  
A Day of Retreat/Reflection/  
Refreshment for all who  
journey for justice  
Saturday 24 February—  
9am-4pm, Mary McKillop  
Centre, 30 Holgate Rd.,  
Mission Bay.

Led by Sr Sue Cosgrove of the  
Sisters of Compassion

To register: Contact Peter Garrick  
[peterg@cda.org.nz](mailto:peterg@cda.org.nz)  
ph. 535 4085 or 022 1300 730.  
See details on Church noticeboard.

### ROSARY BEADS REQUEST

We have had a request for rosary beads and miraculous medals for a parish at Marau in the Solomons. If anyone has any spare rosary beads, etc. they would be most eagerly received and can be left at the Parish Office or St Vincent de Paul Church, Milford, labelled "Rosary Beads for the Solomons".

### Auckland Diocesan Peace & International Justice Committee

are looking for people with a strong interest in global issues to join us: send an expression of interest to:  
[peterg@cda.org.nz](mailto:peterg@cda.org.nz)  
See [www.catholicjusticeauckland.org.nz](http://www.catholicjusticeauckland.org.nz)

### AVAILABLE FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

Daily Mass Calendars—\$3  
Columban Calendars—\$10

ST THOMAS MORE, GLENFIELD - 35 YEAR CELEBRATION - will take place over the weekend of 5 & 6 May to mark the 35th anniversary of the dedication of St Thomas More Church, Glenfield. To all past and present parishioners - we need your help to record our parish history. Please share your memories with our editors via email [history@stm2018.net](mailto:history@stm2018.net) or check out our dedicated website [www.stm2018.net](http://www.stm2018.net)

### ST PIO OF PIETRELCINA PRAYER GROUP

Invitation to pray with us and join a parish group to learn about Saint Pio of Peitrelcina (1887—1968 Canonised 2002). Next meeting is on Thursday 1 February at 7pm at St Joseph's Church, Takapuna. Ph. Ron Hunter 489.1008 or [Ronhunter@xtra.co.nz](mailto:Ronhunter@xtra.co.nz)

### MARCELLIN COLLEGE'S 60TH JUBILEE

23-25 March 2018.  
Registrations now open at [www.marcellin.school.nz](http://www.marcellin.school.nz)

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP  
Devotion is held every Wednesday at 5.45-6.45pm in St Joseph's Church.

### FUNDRAISER FOR NPH NZ—VISIT GIBBS FARM ON 22 FEBRUARY

Come and enjoy a wonderful day at the exclusive Gibbs sculpture farm. Funds raised to help vulnerable children in Latin America through Catholic charity - NPH NZ. Tickets can be found at: [www.nph-nz.org](http://www.nph-nz.org) or call Loren - 09 2160635.

(Gibbs Farm sculpture park is home to a series of major site specific artworks commissioned from some of the world's most significant artists.)

### JOIN 40 DAYS FOR LIFE THIS LENT:

Every day from Ash Wednesday 14th February until Palm Sunday 9th April small groups of volunteers will come together to pray in one-hour shifts outside the main abortion facilities in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch. You are invited to volunteer to spend just one hour to offer prayers and be a public witness for life in your community. Your presence will offer hope and saves lives. Please also pray frequently for the success of this important work.

For more information and to sign up, please visit: [fli.org.nz/40daysforlife](http://fli.org.nz/40daysforlife) or text your name and "40 Days" to 021 825955. For more information, please call Family Life International on (09) 629 4361 (Auckland) or (04) 237 8343 (Wellington).



### CUPPA AFTER 10AM MASS TODAY

Come and join us for a cuppa in the Flanagan Lounge today hosted by the Filipino Community.

If you would like to help with our Hospitality Roster setting up tea/ coffee in the Flanagan Lounge after 10am Mass approx. 6 times a year, please contact Morna at Parish Office 489 6486 or [stjosephstakapuna@xtra.co.nz](mailto:stjosephstakapuna@xtra.co.nz)

### DOWNLOAD OUR ST JOSEPH'S TAKAPUNA PARISH CHURCH APP TODAY!

Go to the App Store on your Apple or Android Device and Search

[St Josephs Takapuna](#)

to download the App to your phone or tablet.

### Co-ordinator Liturgy Centre Pompallier Diocesan Centre

We are seeking a multi talented, dedicated and efficient person with a good knowledge of the Church's liturgy to co-ordinate the work of the Liturgy Centre. Go to: [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz) under 'quick links & staff vacancies'. Please send cover letter, application form and CV to Leanne Kilgour, HR Manager, [leannek@cda.org.nz](mailto:leannek@cda.org.nz) Applications close Friday 26 January.

### CATHOLIC DIOCESE AUCKLAND YOUTH MINISTRY

Be the first to know what's happening for young Catholics in Auckland. Like our Facebook page at: [www.facebook.com/AKCYM](http://www.facebook.com/AKCYM) Subscribe for email updates on the events page at [www.akyouth.org.nz](http://www.akyouth.org.nz) or email your name, parish and email address to [youthmin@cda.org.nz](mailto:youthmin@cda.org.nz)

## Next Sunday 28 December - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**FIRST: DEUTERONOMY 18:15-20**

**PSALM: 94**

**SECOND: 1ST LETTER TO CORINTHIANS 7:32-35**

**GOSPEL: MARK 1:21-28**

### PILGRIMAGE TO SOUTH AMERICA

Monsignor David is chaplain on this pilgrimage to Argentina & Brazil

**17 September to 4 October 2018**

Visit Buenos Aires and places associated with Pope Francis, Rio de Janeiro and the statue of Christ, Aparecida & Salvador.

Enquires to Laura at [laura@skytrain.co.nz](mailto:laura@skytrain.co.nz) or 09 921 5106.



## PRAYER

### IN CHARITY WE PRAY FOR

Father Paddy Collins, Father Graeme Blackburn (Christchurch), Clare Margaret Rugg, Mary McAllister and Mary Ann Ball (sister of Nora and John Gabriel) who died recently and Bishop John Mackey, Sharon Pond, Emma Suk, Michael Lalor, Elizabeth Whyborn whose anniversaries occur

**PRAYER FOR THE SICK** Hilary Adams, Joanne Harrington, Fr John Bland, Elizabeth Hennelly, Tom Turnwald, Charisse Gloria Alcock, Maisie Cate, Ross Evans, Lorraine Parker, John McLoughlin, Guia Olmedo, Maura Malabug, Virginia Russell, Michael Maiquez, Esme Commissaris, Janina Collett, Noelle McHugh, Rima Bennett, Sam Gabriel and Belinda Chamassian

## ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

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### ST. JOSEPH'S TAKAPUNA

**Mass - Sunday 7.30am, 10 am, 7 pm - Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, 9.15am, Thurs. 12.15pm, Saturday 9am, 3rd Sunday at 7pm - Youth Mass**  
**Sacrament of Penance - Saturday 9.30am and 5pm**  
**Exposition and Holy Hour - Every Saturday after 9am Mass**  
**Korean Community Mass - every Saturday at 7.30pm**  
**Filipino Community Mass - every 4th Sunday at 4.00pm**  
**Lady Allum Home - 3rd Tuesday of month at 11am**

### ST. LUKE'S BELMONT

**Mass - Sunday and Thursday 10.30am**  
**Sacrament of Penance—1st Sunday of the month before Mass**

### ST. VINCENT'S MILFORD

**Mass - Sunday 9am, Monday to Saturday 10am**  
**Exposition and Benediction every Friday - 10.30 to 11.00am**  
**Sacrament of Penance - Friday and Saturday after Mass**

**NORTH SHORE HOSPITAL MASS - First Sunday of month: 11.00am**



21 January 2018

## 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

**The prophet JONAH 3:1...10**

*A sin-ful city hears the word  
 .. repents. God relents.*

### PSALM 24

Lord, make me know your ways.  
 Lord, teach me your paths.  
 Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:  
 for you are God my Saviour.

Remember your mercy, Lord,  
 and the love you have shown from of old.  
 In your love remember me,  
 because of your goodness, O Lord.

The Lord is good and upright.  
 He shows the path to those who stray,  
 he guides the humble in the right path;  
 he teaches his way to the poor.

To those who revere the Lord  
 he will show the path they should choose.  
 Their souls will live in blessedness  
 and their children shall possess the land.

**1ST LETTER TO CORINTHIANS 7:29-31**  
*St Paul counsels wise use of time,  
 opportunities and state of life.*

### GOSPEL— MARK 1:14-20

*Jesus chooses Peter, James, John.  
 Jesus chooses us too ... to 'fish for him'.*



*JONAH ... is he 'patron saint'  
 of runners?*

*Jonah is God's most reluctant prophet  
 he runs away, then takes a ship  
 to escape God's first call;*

*thrown overboard ..  
 .. coughed up on the shore by a 'great fish'  
 Jonah then has second thoughts.*

*The pagans of Nineveh believe and repent  
 on hearing Jonah's message ..  
 .. even so Jonah sulks!*

*Jonah is too small for God's plan!*

*The book of Jonah is written to  
 instruct and to amuse -  
 it is a 'teaching tale'.*

*To-day read all four chapters in Jonah!*

*And as to Jonah being swallowed  
 by a whale: as the song says*

*"it ain't necessarily so."*