

FAREWELL TO MIKE PETRICEVICH
Parishioners are invited to farewell Mike on Sunday 3 March over breakfast in St Joseph's Hall after 7.30am Mass.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER

Youth will be hosting a fundraiser after all Masses TODAY Sunday 24 February with a Sausage Sizzle and Car Wash. Genevieve, Romwell and Christian, our pilgrims who had recently returned from World Youth Day in Panama will also share their experiences and reflections in the Flanagan Lounge directly after Mass.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

First Friday of every month for anyone who is 18 years old and above looking for a social group to join – this Young Adults group comes together on the first Friday of every month. **March 1st (7PM-9PM)** in the St Joseph's School staffroom, will be our first meet-up, so save the date!

JUBILEE CONCERT

As part of their Jubilee Celebrations St Mary's Northcote are presenting a concert featuring songs from Jesus Christ Superstar – the concert will be at 7pm in St Mary's Church, Onewa Road, Northcote on Saturday 2 March. Tickets \$10 from parish office. Refreshments at Intermission. Email: info@northcotecatholic.org.nz or phone: 480 7357.

JOSHUA MEN'S FELLOWSHIP NORTH SHORE
Invitation to a video presentation by Fr Larry Richards entitled—The Lenten Challenge on Wednesday 27 February at St Joseph's Centre, 1 Fred Thomas Drive, Takapuna at 7.30pm. Please contact Russell 022 035678 for more info. www.joshua.org.nz

Holy Land Pilgrimage with Fr Sherwin Lapaan:
13-day affordable pilgrimage departing September 2019. Small exclusive group; limited seats. For full details, please contact Laura on laura@skyttrain.co.nz or phone +64-9-921 5106.

Holy Land Pilgrimage with Mons. Bernard Kiely and Dame Lyndsay Freer
Departing 14 September -15 night pilgrimage - see the Gospels come alive as we retrace steps of Jesus from his Nativity to Calvary. Contact: Harvest Journeys, (0800) 819 156 or visit www.harvestjourneys.com or call Lyndsay on (021) 272 4895.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER is on Friday 1 March at 10am at St Peter's Anglican Church, Killarney St, Takapuna. A Service prepared by World Day of Prayer Committee, Slovenia.

FIRST FUNDRAISER FOR MILFORD CHURCH WORK

SATURDAY MARKET, 16 MARCH, 11AM-3PM AT ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH GROUNDS
Books, Bric-a-Brac, Cakes, Clothes, Craft, Linen/lace, Plants, Raffles, Toys.
Donations being accepted now! Leave on table at carpark entrance of St Joseph's Church or in Milford Church porch. Collected daily. Helpers needed on the day! Leave your name at the Parish Office or in the black box at the back of the Milford Church.

Communications to Maria Derrick 021 0799074. Pray and act. We can do it!

Catholic Caring Foundation

Please take home a copy of the Caring Foundation's summer newsletter and find out how your gift is supporting families and communities in need throughout the diocese. Want to make a difference to our community? Then please consider gifting to the foundation. www.caringfoundation.org.nz

Caring Foundation Annual Grants

The foundation is now receiving grant applications from social service agencies and charities throughout the Auckland diocese who work to support and strengthen families and communities. Applications close on 12 April, 2019. For more information and to download the application form, please visit our website: www.caringfoundation.org.nz

BIBLE STUDY Journey 2019 (Opening Session 1/5)

Catechism 101: Sacrament of Reconciliation with Deacon David Marshall, 2 March; Saturday, 8pm. **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH, MILFORD.** Visit our FB Group Page: [SVdPPrayergroup-1554394981468049](https://www.facebook.com/SVdPPrayergroup-1554394981468049) and/or SVdPPG Website: <https://svdpprayergroup.wixsite.com/svdpprayergroup> for Prayer Requests/Intentions and get up to date News, Events, Activities, and Announcements.

PARISH CENTENARY

This year we are marking the 100th birthday of St Joseph's Parish! Bishop Pat will be with us at 7pm on the Feast of St Joseph, Tuesday 19 March, to celebrate the centenary Mass. We will prepare for St Joseph's Day with a novena (9 days) of Masses, beginning Sunday 10 March.
Fr Christopher Brady will celebrate the 18 March novena Mass – marking the 30th anniversary of his ordination as a priest!
The other Masses will be celebrated by a priest who previously served in the parish. The week-day novena Masses will be at 7pm, the Saturday novena Mass at 9am, and the Sunday Masses at the usual times. The novena will be a special time of gratitude to God for the journey of our faith community, and a time of prayer for our present needs.

Getting Married—Catholic Diocese of Auckland Pre-Marriage Education Programme 2019 Dates for First Session Only

Venue: St Columba Centre, 40 Vermont St., Ponsonby. Time: 7.05pm to 8.30pm
Bookings: www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz
Sandra Armstrong 09 360 3008
Gerry Smith 09 360 3025
Email: marriageandfamily@cda.org.nz
Leaflets at Church doors or Parish Office.

BARADENE COLLEGE

OPEN EVENING on Thursday 7 March, 2019 6.30pm. We welcome all prospective parents and students to visit the College. Entry at Gate 2 to the Auditorium.
Enrolments for Year 7, 2020 are presently being accepted and will close on Friday 15 March, 2019. A limited number of places in Year 9 will be available and applications close on Friday 15 March, 2019.

FAMILY LIFE INTERNATIONAL LENTEN PRAYER

This Lent join us in prayer, fasting and reparation, especially for the 36 pre-born babies who lose their lives through abortion every day of the year in New Zealand. Contact fli.org.nz/lentenprayerforlife

NZ CATHOLIC— 24 February—9 March Issue out now—\$4.
Some headlines are: Minister's Filipino-Catholic jibe' hurtful; Tomorrow's Schools demolition opposed; Does God will a diversity of religions? Family deal proposed for southern church....

ASH WEDNESDAY 6 MARCH

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH
MASS 9.15AM 7.00PM
SCHOOL LITURGY 1.40PM (IN CHURCH)
ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH, MILFORD
MASS 10AM
ST JOHN PAUL II
Holy Cross Anglican Church, Albany
ECUMENICAL LITURGY 7.15PM
PLEASE BRING OLD PALMS TO CHURCH

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

Sacrament of Confirmation lessons continue this Wednesday 27 February at 6.30pm.
Rite of Confirmation will be celebrated in St Joseph's Church on Thursday 6 June at 6pm. Please keep our children and families in your prayers.
Contact: Edwin sjpastoralworker@gmail.com



ST DAVID'S DAY CONCERT

The Auckland Welsh Choir will again be celebrating St David's Day with a concert at St Joseph's Church, next Sunday 3 March at 2pm. All proceeds will benefit "A Girl Called Hope". Tickets \$20 per person or \$15 for 2 or more. You can't miss a bargain like this!
Bookings please Ph. Yvonne Munro 489 9426.

DAVID PARKES FUNDRAISER CONCERT

A reminder that this fundraiser concert for WACOM 2020 takes place on **Friday 1 March at 7.30 pm** at the Malaeola Centre, 16 Waokauri Place, Mangere. Refer noticeboard for details or phone 376 1737 Fr Rory Morrissey at Ponsonby Herne Bay Parish.

WANT TO PRACTICE YOUR ENGLISH?

Join us for coffee and chat in the Lounge at St George's Presbyterian Church, 2 The Terrace, Takapuna every Wednesday 10.15—11.30am. Cost: gold coin donation.

CUPPA AFTER 10AM MASS TODAY Come and join us for a cuppa in the Flanagan Lounge and hear stories from our youth who attended World Youth Day in Panama recently.

Next Sunday - 3 March - 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRAYER

IN CHARITY WE PRAY FOR Ross Evans who died recently and Tania Dalton, Heather McGrath, Briand Le Roux and Ellise Vallant whose anniversaries occur

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Angel Andales, Clara Jung-Ja Hwang, Paige Donovan-Smith, Gladys Lloyd, Emma Washer, Elizabeth Hennelly, Gloria Alcock, Maisie Cate, John McLoughlin, Michael Maiquez, Esme Commissaris, Janina Collett, Rima Bennett & Belinda Chamassian

FIRST: Sirach 27:4-7
PSALM: 92
SECOND: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58
GOSPEL: LUKE 6:39-45

A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY TO IRELAND, SCOTLAND AND ENGLAND
25 Days—Departing: Sunday 23 June 2019
Flying Cathay Pacific Airways
With Monsignor David Tonks
Small group, specially designed itinerary
For full itinerary and other details contact:
Laura (09) 921 5106 laura@skytrain.co.nz

Divine Retreat Centre New Zealand - Lenten Retreat in Auckland

8 March 7-9pm, St Mary's Church, Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert
9 March 1.30 -7pm, St Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Avondale
10 March 1.30 - 9pm St John Vianney Church, Hillsborough
Contact: Arthy 022 319 3621, Cynthia: 021 064 2157
email: drcnz@hotmail.com Website: <http://www.drcnz.org>

House Share Flating wanted: Contact Ralph (from Northcote Parish) 022 369 7137. Willing to pay \$200 per week.

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

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St Vincent de Paul Church, Milford— Confession & Exposition after Mass on Friday

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 10.30am
Sacrament of Penance—1st Sunday of the month before Mass

ST. VINCENT'S MILFORD

Mass - Sunday 9am, Monday to Saturday 10am
Sacrament of Penance and Exposition - after Mass on Friday

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

ST JOHN PAUL II—Holy Cross Anglican Church, 222 Dairy Flat Highway, Albany,
(access via Oteha Valley Rd. Extension) **Mass** - Sunday at 5.15pm



24 February 2019

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST BOOK OF SAMUEL 26:2..25

PSALM 103

My soul, give thanks to the Lord
All my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
And never forget all his blessings.

It is God who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion.

The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
His wrath will come to an end;
He will not be angry forever.
He does not treat us according to our sins
Nor repay us according to our faults.

As far as the east is from west
so far does he remove our sins.
As parents have compassion on their
children,
the Lord has pity on those who fear him.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:45-49

LUKE 6:17.27-38



COMPASSION AND EMPATHY

*When we feel strong and well,
it is easy to forget about our own
frailties and also the misfortunes,
troubles, and sicknesses of others.*

*We are only as strong as is our
compassion for those who are weak.*

*For in strength must come the power
of understanding and the wisdom to
act with gentleness and kind concern
for those who are not able
to help themselves.*

*It is in the ability to empathise
that we show true insight
and in the ability to aid
that we show our real gifts.*

*These are the real hallmarks
compassion and strength.*