

DIOCESAN YOUTH MASS
 Hosted by the North Shore Region
 Sunday 31 March at St Patrick's Cathedral
 beginning with the Veneration of the Cross with
 reflective worship from 6.30-6.50pm followed by
 Mass at 7pm.



GRATEFUL THANKS FROM MORNA!
 Moving house last weekend our
 St Joseph's Youth did a wonderful clean
 -up in the house I was vacating. They
 were an absolute joy to be with and my
 husband and I were extremely grateful.

*Our youth are happy to assist people,
 especially seniors with work around the
 house i.e. cleaning, gardening, phones, computers.
 Phone the Parish Office 489 6486 and I will pass on any
 messages!*

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP AT ST JOSEPH'S

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 met last Friday and
 the next gathering will be 5 April. Contact Romwell
 at the Parish Office 489 6486 for info.

CHORAL MASS FOR ST PATRICK & ST JOSEPH

Monday 18 March at 7.30pm at the Cathedral of
 St Patrick & St Joseph, 43 Wyndham Street.
 With the Cathedral Vocal Ensemble.

*Validated parking available at the Wilson Car Parks
 on Hobson Street (\$4) and Durham Lane (\$2). Bring
 your ticket to validate in the Cathedral.*



**DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN,
 NORTH SHORE**

Next Meeting on Wednesday 20 March,
 7.30-9.30pm at St Thomas More Church,
 336 Wairau Rd, Glenfield.

Topic: **Loved by Jesus** (John 8:7-10)
 Contact: Sylvia 09 443 7477 www.dove.org.nz

**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

**Holy Mass, Monday, 18 March, 7pm
 St Patrick's Feast
 Centenary
 30th Ordination Anniversary,
 Fr Christopher**

You are all invited to this joyous
 occasion, thanking God for His Wonder
 and Goodness.

A light supper will be served afterwards
 in the Flanagan Lounge, under the Church.

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

We are looking for new members of our
 Parish Pastoral Council. If you are
 interested in serving or know of someone
 who could be interested please contact the
 Parish Office 489 6486.

PASSION PLAY

At St Joseph's Church
 Wednesday
 10 April
 at 7pm performed by
 Rosmini & Carmel
 College Students



**ST JOSEPH'S PARISH TAKAPUNA
 Finance report for the December 2018**

Quarter	QTR TO	QTR TO
	DEC 2018	DEC 2017
Collections (net of 25% house allocation)	\$ 92,075	\$ 71,742
Surplus/(deficit) after running costs	(\$18,804)	(\$6,838)

The significant lift in collections since the
 planned giving continued through the three
 months ending in December with a 28%
 increase over the same period last year.
 Again, we thank you for your generosity.
 This lift in collections assisted greatly to
 contain the deficit for this high cost
 quarter to \$18,804.

The deficit for the full year's operations
 was (\$35,216) which was an improvement
 on last year's deficit of (\$39,403).

**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.

PARISH CENTENARY - NOVENA MASSES

This year we are marking the 100th birthday of
 St Joseph's Parish!

Bishop Patrick Dunn will be with us at 7pm on
 the Feast of St Joseph on Tuesday 19 March,
 celebrating our centenary Mass.

There will be a supper after Mass in the Hall.
 Please come dressed in your National
 costumes and bring a plate towards the supper
 and wine if you wish.

Fr Sherwin Lapaan will celebrate our Youth
 Mass at 7pm this evening.

**ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH
 STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Every Friday evening (7pm) during Lent.
 Any groups who wish to lead the Stations
 of the Cross please contact the Parish Office
 489 6486.



**ST FRANCIS' FRIARY AND RETREAT CENTRE
 50 Hillsborough Rd, Mt Roskill**

Invitation to a guided Stations of the Cross at the
 Lower Lawn of St Francis' Friary and Retreat
 Centre every Saturday morning from 10.30am
 beginning 16 March to 23 April.

At other times, you are welcome to make the
 Stations at your own time on the grounds.

For 2019 Programme go to:
www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz



ST VINCENT DE PAUL HELPS PEOPLE

Do you need help or know of someone who
 needs help?

Contact us:- svdptakapuna@gmail.com or phone
 parish office 489 6486 or visit us on Thursdays
 between 10am—12 noon.

All enquiries strictly confidential.

Thanks to all parishioners for your generous
 response to 1st Sunday Gold Coin Collection.

'CARITAS' LENT APPEAL

Weekly & Single giving envelopes are at
 Church doors. They will assist us to pray
 for the needs of our world-wide Church
 and to reflect in a true spirit of sacrifice
 over the 6 weeks — **FAST! PRAY! GIVE!**

*You may either return your donation envelopes
 during the parish offertory collection, or send
 them to Caritas directly.*

*A free post envelope is available for this
 option. NZ Post specifies that cash must not
 be sent through the post. Donations received
 in these envelopes by 31st March will be sent
 a receipt for the 2018/2019 tax year.
 Donations received after 1st April will be sent a
 receipt for the 2019/2020 tax year. Thank you
 for your generous support.*

LIVING SIMPLY DURING LENT

In response to Pope Francis' urgent call to care
 for "Our Common Home" you may wish to
 take the **Laudato Si' pledge** by praying with
 and for creation, living more simply and
 advocating to protect our common home.
 See <http://live Laudatosi.org> and <https://live lightly.nz/take-action>

HUMANITY OF UNBORN CHILD

Upcoming legislation intends to allow
ABORTION UP TO BIRTH - If you're willing to
 come against this please email:
tonybrebner@hotmail.com for full information
 and 'Open Letter' to all MPs.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL
 FOR CHILDREN ATTENDING
 NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**
 (Formerly known as Education in Faith)
 Sessions held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays
 of the month at 8.30am in the School
 Administration Block.
 We welcome all children. Enquiries
 contact Parish Office 489 6486.

CUPPA AFTER 10AM MASS

Come and join us for a cuppa in
 the Flanagan Lounge hosted by the
 Legion of Mary today!



60'S UP—TAKAPUNA BRANCH

Join us in St Joseph's Church Hall on Mondays
 from 10am for **BINGO** - \$3 entry includes a
 cuppa and biscuits. Everybody is welcome.

Next Sunday - 24 March - 3rd Sunday of Lent

FIRST: The book of Exodus 3:1..15
PSALM: 102
SECOND: 1 CORINTHIANS 10:1..12
GOSPEL: LUKE 13:1-9

PILGRIMAGES TO THE HOLY LAND DURING SEPTEMBER 2019

Fr Sherwin Lapaan
Please contact Laura on laura@skytrain.co.nz or phone +64-9-921 5106.

Mons. Bernard Kiely & Dame Lyndsay Freer
Contact: Harvest Journeys (0800) 819 156 or visit www.harvestjourneys.com or call Lyndsay (021) 272 4895.

PRAYER

IN CHARITY WE PRAY FOR Lawrence Henwood, Gorgea Margaret Tindall, Craig Landon who died recently and Ratu Victor Vikash Lal, Buster Williams, Milton Pereira, Allan Byrne whose anniversaries occur

PRAYER FOR THE SICK
Tony Ryan, Angel Andales, Clara Jung-Ja Hwang, Paige Donovan-Smith, Gladys Lloyd, Emma Maisie Cate, John McLoughlin, Michael Maiquez, Esme Commissaris, Janina Collett, Rima Bennett & Belinda Chamassian

Secondary Teacher is looking for a 2 bedroom house to rent, as soon as possible.
Contact Sylvestre at syley64@gmail.com

NOW ON PARISH WEBSITE

There is now a new Centenary Page on our Parish website, which can be accessed here:
<https://takapunacatholic.org.nz/parish-centenary-2019/>

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



17 March 2019

Second Sunday of Lent

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The book of GENESIS 15:5..18
God's promise to Abraham and Sarah
.. who believed and became our
'parents-in-faith'

PSALM 27

The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink?

O Lord, hear my voice when I call;
have mercy and answer.
Of you my heart has spoken:
"Seek his face."

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face.
Dismiss not your servant in anger;
you have been my help.

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
Hope in the Lord!

Paul's letter to Philippians 3:17-4:1
Jesus will 'transfigure'
our bodies like His
in glory

LUKE 9:28-36

Peter, James and John see Jesus at prayer
His face, His clothing
'brighter than light'



A LENTEN PRAYER

We have chosen to fast,
Not only with ashes but with actions
Not only with sackcloth but in sharing,
Not only in thoughts but in deeds
We will give up our abundance,
To share our food with the hungry
We will give up our comfort
To provide homes for the destitute
We will give up our fashions,
To seek the naked clothed
We will share where others hoard,
We will free where others oppress
We will heal where others harm,
Then God's light will break out on us
God's healing will quickly appear
God will guide us always
God's justice will go before us
We will find our joy in our God
We will be like a well-watered garden
We will be called repairers of broken
walls
Together we will feast at God's
banquet table.

Christine Sine