



SAINT JOSEPHS

ST JOSEPHS CATHOLIC CHURCH TAKAPUNA

Sunday 5 November

Dear Parishioners,

In July, we presented the parish accounts at each of the Masses at St Joseph's and St Vincent de Paul.

To summarise the presentation, our position is that while we are in good heart financially as a parish, our income is falling behind our rising costs. We use interest from the sale of St Luke's Belmont to fund the shortfall. As in most households, parish costs and necessary maintenance have increased, while income has not increased in recent years.

Many of you responded generously either raising your donation or joining the Planned Giving. Our heartfelt thanks to you all.

The parish is about to undertake much needed renovation to future proof our beloved church and presbytery, making them more accessible, and strengthening community and worship in Takapuna and surrounding suburbs. Our figures show that the parish roll has increased, and outreach has in some areas doubled in the 12 months 2021-22.

To this end we are appealing to you, our generous parishioners already gifting, to consider increasing your donations to match inflation. And a further appeal, to those who aren't already regular givers: please join us in the planned giving programme, see link below:

<https://takapunacatholic.org.nz/new-parishoner/>

[or scan the QR Code](#)



Other ways to give have been introduced this year with the Eftpos machines, available before and after Masses at St Joseph's each weekend. There is also the traditional plate for cash & envelope givers. While these are good backups, we do ask you to consider regular planned giving for the parish by way of an automatic payment from your account.

Finally, thank you to everyone who has changed their banking records over to the new parish BNZ account number. We appreciate everyone's assistance, as this has gone very smoothly. Please note that, for those on automatic payments to the parish, the new account number has automatically updated for you. If you so wish, you need only to update the direct credit amount.

The new bank account is 02-0108-0706814-000 should you wish to set up your own direct credit. If you're doing this, please contact Hendro at the parish office (finance@stjoseph.org.nz or 09 489 6486) to ensure you put the correct information in, and to ensure we send you a tax deduction letter at the end of each financial year.

Blessings and thank you for generously considering our appeal.

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Parish Priest

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