

Next Sunday 4 February 2024 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST: The prophet Job 7:1...7 **PSALM:** 146
SECOND: 1st letter to Corinthians 9:16...23 **GOSPEL:** MARK 1:29-39

PRAYER In charity we pray for Teodora Dinolin, Ian Munro, Alex McNaughten, Barry Clausen, Ineke Merkins, Calvin West, Paul Schollum **who died recently and** Anthony Clausen, Tom Turnwald, Peter Smith, Frank Smith, Hayden Wilton, Jack Sheehy, Edward Hertubise **whose anniversaries occur**

PRAYER FOR THE SICK Liz Smith, Aurora Madrigal, Michael Dobbyn, Raphael Ponce, Irene LeFort, Boyd Squires, Rosemary Allardice, Mal Green, Fran Meredith, John LeFeuvre, Ken Derrick, Gerard & Jane McNaughten, Sonia Lewis, Jean Ulberg, Heather Gannon, Troy Angelo Madrigal, Celia McLoughlin, Annabelle Sia, Clara Jung-Hwang, Paige Donovan-Smith, Gladys Lloyd, Elizabeth Hennelly, Rima Bennett, Belinda Chamassian, Jane Barrita

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NEW PARISHIONER SIGN UP
<https://takapunacatholic.org.nz/new-parishoner/>



ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, 10 DOMINION ST, TAKAPUNA

Sunday Mass Times: Saturday 5pm, Sunday 7.30am, 10.30am (live-streamed) and 6pm

Youth Mass: 3rd Sunday at 6pm

Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday 9.15am (live-streamed)

Saturday Mass 9.00am (live-streamed) Reconciliation Saturday 9.30am

Exposition and Holy Hour—every Saturday after 9am Mass

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH, CNR FENWICK AVE & SHAKESPEARE RD, MILFORD Mass - Sunday at 9am

Korean Community Mass - every Saturday at 7.30pm

ST JOHN PAUL II - Holy Cross Anglican Church

222 Dairy Flat Highway, Albany, (access via Oteha Valley Rd. Extension)



EVENTS AROUND THE DIOCESE

At St Joseph's Website at www.takapunacatholic.org.nz

Go to our Home Page Scroll down and get the latest dates/times for the events around the Diocese.

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

28 January, 2024

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Book of DEUTERONOMY 18:15-20
God's mouth-piece ... true prophet
will be someone 'like us'

PSALM 94

Come, sing with joy to God,
shout to our saviour, our rock.
Enter God's presence with praise,
enter with shouting and song.

Come, bow down and worship,
kneel to the Lord, our maker.
This is our God, our shepherd,
we are the flock led with care.

Listen today to God's voice:

"Harden no heart as at Meribah,
on that day in the desert at Massah.
There your people tried me,
though they had seen my work."

"Forty years with that lot!
I said: They are perverse,
they do not accept my ways.
So I swore in my anger:
They shall not enter my rest'."

1ST LETTER TO CORINTHIANS 7:32-35

God's word must 'order' our lives
whether married or single...

GOSPEL— MARK 1:21-28

Jesus' word and teaching
is 'new' ... with authority and power



REACH US

You .. in your harshness,
dismissing, judging, condemning evil.

You .. in your mercy
seeking, hoping, reaching, weeping.

You keep us off balance.

We .. yearning to hear your call,
afraid to hear,

because it means return
through the mists of harshness,
through the risk of mercy,

in a journey we fear and crave,
want and dread
start and hesitate
in all our double - mindedness.

So reach us with your single-mindedness
give us new, single hearts of flesh
that pulse with praise, trust, obedience.

With all our heart, with all our mind,
with all our strength, toward you.

Then our true selves.

NOTICES FROM THE DIOCESE

A conversation with Monsignor Tomáš Halik. Help my Unbelief! How can we find the “Galilee of Today”? Ordained secretly as an underground priest, Tomáš Halik is now theologian at Charles University Prague. Come and listen to Mons Halik. St Columba Centre Monday, 5 February at 7.30pm, followed by supper. Please RSVP Fr Merv Duffy m.duffy@ctc.ac.nz by 2 February.

WAITANGI DAY 2024 MIHA All are welcome to celebration of Mass in Te Reo Māori and English to pray for our nation as we acknowledge the signing of Te Tiriti o Waitangi in 1840. Miha (Mass) will be celebrated at Whaiora Marae, 14 Ōtara Road, Ōtara beginning with a Pōwhiri at 8.30am on Tuesday 6th February. Following Mass there will be refreshments and a talk on Te Tiriti o Waitangi. For more information email ManuelB@cda.org.nz

Year of Prayer Pope Francis has dedicated 2024 as a Year of Prayer in preparation for the Jubilee Year of 2025. Resources are available on the diocesan website <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/year-of-prayer/> and will be updated regularly particularly as resources become available through the Dicastery for Evangelization.

The Liturgy Centre has a number of resources for parishes including ceremonial binders and resources for the Sunday readings explore <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/liturgy-prayer/liturgy/>

Past, present members of the **Diocesan Commission for Ecumenism and Interfaith Relations**, and those interested in these aspects of Church life are invited to a meeting to explore how the diocese moves forward in these important relations particularly in light of the Synod's call to engage. Bring your interest, enthusiasm and ideas. Wednesday 7 February Poynton Room Pompallier Diocesan Centre, 6.30-8.00pm. RSVP pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz by 5 February.

WINGS.NGA PARIRAU – FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

This programme is offered again to parishioners in 2024. There will be an **Introductory Session**, after the 9.15am Mass on **Wednesday 14th February** [Ash Wednesday].

The full year programme consists of SIX sessions over the whole year. These will be offered on single Wednesday mornings after the 9.15am Mass in February [**Wednesday 28th February (Session 1)**], March, May, July, September and November.

Full support materials are provided and the sessions consist of meditation on a chosen Gospel, the theme for that session and lots of discussion. Wings.Nga Parirau contact is **Joh Cogle** – jcogle@xtra.co.nz to register if you have not already done so.

CHARGES FOR CHURCH, CHURCH HALL AND MEETING ROOM

Church bookings:

\$150 + GST (Not charged for active parishioners)

Church Hall and Meeting Room

\$250 for 6 hours or \$350 all day + GST - Bond \$100 refundable

Meeting Room \$125 + GST - No Bond

ST PIO OF PIETRELCINA

Meeting Thursday 1 February
in the Meeting Room.

Ph. Ron Hunter 489.1008 or
Ronhunter@xtra.co.nz

More and more miracles!

MEDITATION IN THE CHRISTIAN TRADITION

14th February is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. As part of this special time of the year for our parish there will be an introductory course on Meditation in the Christian Tradition. Christian meditation is a simple way of being in God's presence through Jesus in the Holy Spirit. In stillness we enter into union with God. In silence we give our own spirit room to breathe and to be with a God who longs to be in union with us. It becomes the prayer of the heart and the practice of the presence of God. Some also report physical and mental benefits. The course will be held in the parish Meeting Room (the old office) and starts on Tuesday 20th February from 7.30pm to 9.00pm and will run for four weeks - 20th & 27th February and 5th & 12th March. The course will be led by members of the New Zealand Community for Christian Meditation.

All are welcome regardless of where you are on life's journey. For more information please contact Graham on 09 489 4389.

UPCOMING RETREATS & EVENTS AT ST FRANCIS RETREAT CENTRE:

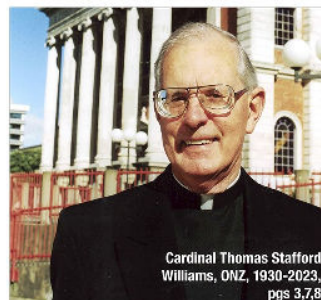
For more info/dates and to book visit www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz or call 09 625 6651.

Women's Prayer Retreat - A reflective prayer retreat in the Catholic tradition for Women, Friday 16 Feb. 5pm - Sun 18 Feb. 3pm. Earlybird (by 31 Jan) \$300. Standard (after 31 Jan) \$330.

Time Out Days – For those who seek a day retreat - 9:30am – 2:30pm (\$30 includes lunch) Wed 21 February, Thur. 21 March, Tuesday 16 April.

Homecoming - A Lenten retreat that will reflect on the spiritual implications of Rembrandt's painting and Henri Nouwen's book "The Return of the Prodigal Son", Friday 22 March 7pm - Sun. 24 March 4:30pm. Earlybird \$300.

NZ Catholic - \$4 Vale Cardinal Tom



NZ CATHOLIC 28 JANUARY TO 10 FEBRUARY

Some headlines for this issue: Cardinal Williams farewell – requiem, obituary, editorial; The story of a married priest with children; Representations of Jesus in the first 300 years; Clergy moves for six NZ dioceses.

As a promotion venture for this issue, the entire current edition is supplied below.

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Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship North Shore will hold their first meeting for 2024 on **Wed. 31 January** at St Joseph's Centre, Takapuna. All men are invited and we hope you will join us for a cuppa and fellowship.

We welcome our new Altar Servers this year:

Eliza Arsena
Hailey Tan
Angelly Wijaya
Aleina Dacanay
Sebastian Kennedy
Jack Benham Spence



MORNING TEA after 10.30am
Mass in the Parish Hall hosted by
Milford Church Group #2

TITIPOUNAMU *Study & Joy*

Bible Stories - What do they mean?

Join us in unravelling Bible stories and looking for answers within a group, and with Bible Scholar Kieran Fenn fms. Sundays, 04 Feb, 03 Mar, 07 Apr, 05 May 2024, 5-6pm (Zoom). Koha <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2024/01/19/bible-stories-what-do-they-mean/>

The Mystery of Miracles

Mondays, 08/15/22/29 April 2024, 7-8.30pm
\$25/session or \$80/series, incl. study material.
<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2024/01/11/the-mystery-of-miracles/> For more information: www.studyjoy.nz