

## Next Sunday 1 September - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First: Deuteronomy 4:1...8

PSALM: 15

Second: Letter of St James 1:17....27

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

**PRAYER** In charity we pray for Richard Reynolds, Robert Browne who died recently and Maurice Boland (10 years) whose anniversary occurs

**PRAYER FOR THE SICK** Lalin Basilio, Tom Craen, Jim Newfield, Corazon Andales, Marcia Healy, Maria Wang, Jon Cruz, John Yu, Francis Lionnet, Tony Ryan, Denis Trotman, John Slaven, Ken Sharkey, Liz Smith, Aurora Madrigal, Michael Dobbyn, Raphael Ponce, Rosemary Allardice, Mal Green, John LeFeuvre, Ken Derrick, Gerard & Jane McNaughten, Sonia Lewis, Jean Ulberg, Heather Gannon, Troy Angelo Madrigal, Celia McLoughlin, 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-parishioner/>



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 - Monday to Saturday 10am, 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)

Mass - Sunday at 5.30pm



### HERE IS THIS WEEK'S KIDS KORNER AND PARENT PONDERINGS

**Celebrating TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY of OT** <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/Celebrating-Twenty-first-SUNDAY-ot.pdf>

**My Busy Day** <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/My-Busy-Day.pdf>

## 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

25 August 2024

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

**The book of JOSHUA 24:1-2, 15-18**

God's people renew the covenant to serve God faithfully

### PSALM 33

I will bless the Lord at all times,  
his praise always on my lips;  
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.  
The humble shall hear and be glad.

The Lord turns his face against the wicked  
to destroy their remembrance from the earth.  
The Lord turns his eyes to the just  
and his ears to their appeal.

They call and the Lord hears  
and rescues them in all their distress.  
The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;  
those whose spirit is crushed he will save.

Many are the trials of the just man  
but from them all the Lord will rescue him.  
He will keep guard over all his bones,  
not one of his bones shall be broken.

Evil brings death to the wicked;  
those who hate the good are doomed.  
The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.  
Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.

### Letter to EPHESIANS 5:21-32

Christ Jesus as 'bridegroom'  
to his baptised people

### JOHN 6:60-69

Jesus challenges his followers ...  
Peter accepts Him  
as the 'Holy One of God'



### CHOOSING TO STAY

Both Joshua and Jesus  
respected peoples freedom of choice.

They knew past choices become tired  
and can die from being set aside.

Our earlier choice for God  
must be kept fresh and alive  
by new commitment  
again and again.

Each year at Easter  
we renew the promises  
of our baptism—into—Christ.

Decisions in faith  
can never be settled once & for all!

Jesus' apostles do what we must do:  
keep on choosing Him,  
and staying with the one who has  
the message of eternal life.

We are a chosen people ..  
.. we are also a choosing people.

## NOTICES FROM THE DIOCESE

### Young Adults Ball / Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September 7pm at McHugh's of Cheltenham

Tickets \$120 (Ticket sales close 31st August or if sold out). \*This is an 18+ event.

**Tickets:** [https://Young\\_Adults\\_Ball.eventbrite.com](https://Young_Adults_Ball.eventbrite.com)

**ALONE AGAIN ?** A weekend away to help those suffering the heartache of Separation, Divorce, or Widowhood on 6-8 September. **The Beginning Experience** is a non-profit organisation that provides support for the grieving single again, and offers an opportunity to turn the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth. The cost for 2 nights accommodation, meals, and materials and follow up event is \$350. For further information please phone Lynda 027 489 8003 or Kelly evenings 027 686 4416 [www.beginningexperience.org.nz](http://www.beginningexperience.org.nz)

*The Catholic Diocese of Auckland promotes for a strong and inclusive communities for missionary discipleship. Come to the **Ethnic Chaplaincies Rise Up and Shine Festival** to be held on Saturday 21 September to Sunday 22 September at the Malaola Samoan Catholic Community Centre, 16 Waokauri Place, Mangere. A time of celebration with Food, Music and Cultural Shows on Saturday 9am - 3pm, and Thanksgiving Mass in the various languages and culture on Sunday at 1pm. Be involved, Be there.*

**Ever wanted to know something about the Holy Land?** Let us be ecumenical (unite in our various Christian faith) by joining in with our friends of the Armenian Church to an interesting online ZOOM lecture about the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem, Wednesday 28 August at 9:00pm. Prof Roberta Ervine, from New York, will give us a virtual tour/talk of the Church and it is free to register. Email Deacon Nishan on [nishanbasmajian@gmail.com](mailto:nishanbasmajian@gmail.com) for the ZOOM link.

Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is holding Lecture 6 in the series, A Taste of Theology. Rev Dr Merv Duffy will talk about "Christian identity, life and mission in Lumen Gentium, the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church. This will be on Tuesday, 03 September from 5:30-6:30pm on Zoom. For a fee of \$60 you get access to all 9 courses in this lecture series and join the remaining live sessions. Go to [www.tekupenga.ac.nz/tasteoftheology](http://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/tasteoftheology) to register.

### TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER | SEPTEMBER 7TH, 7:30 PM

Get ready for an evening of trivia and fun! Join us for our Trivia Night Fundraiser on Saturday, September 7th at 7:30 PM. You can register as an individual or with a team of up to 10 people. Tickets are just \$15 per person and include thrilling trivia games, a beverage (tea, coffee, or hot chocolate), and a delicious dessert. Register your team or yourself by emailing: [youth@stjoseph.org.nz](mailto:youth@stjoseph.org.nz) We're also looking for dessert donations to make the night even sweeter. Whether you have cakes, cookies, or brownies to share, your contributions will enhance the event. Please include information about common allergens in your desserts to ensure we can accommodate everyone's needs. To contribute desserts, let us know by **Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> August**. For more details or to arrange drop-off, contact the youth account mentioned above. All funds collected go towards supporting our youth events including our summer camp in 2025!

**LONG TERM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN THE AUSTRALIA-PACIFIC REGION - THE CAGLIERO PROJECT, SALESIANS OF DON BOSCO** We are seeking long term (6-12 month) volunteers for departure in January 2025 to work with young people in our Salesian communities in Samoa, Cambodia, Timor Leste, Solomon Islands and Mongolia. Applications close October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Send us an enquiry - [www.caqliero.org.au](http://www.caqliero.org.au) or [lhichaaba@salesians.org.au](mailto:lhichaaba@salesians.org.au)

14 September, the **CATHOLIC 30S & 40S SINGLES GROUP** is meeting at [Dice & Fork](#). Starting at 6:30pm, we will have dinner and drinks over a board game or two. From the classic, fight-inducing monopoly to the strategic challenge of Catan, [Dice & Fork](#) has a huge range of fun for everyone.

All who are interested should email [akcatholicsinglesocialgroup@gmail.com](mailto:akcatholicsinglesocialgroup@gmail.com) as there is space for only so many because of the booking limit.

## THANKSGIVING MASS AND CELEBRATION



**FATHER MARK BOND'S  
THANKSGIVING MASS TODAY**  
Sunday 25 August at 10:30am  
followed by refreshments at  
St Joseph's School Hall.  
Everyone is welcome and  
please bring a plate to share—  
savoury or sweet.  
It will be a wonderful celebration!

### ADULT FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS

St Joseph's Church Hall

#### Thursday, 26 September 7pm

Fr Mark Bond

Exploring the Psalms

#### Thursday 24 October 7pm

Fr Mark Bond

Praying with the Psalms

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

**MASS Friday 6 September at 11am in St Joseph's Church, followed by a light lunch downstairs in the Parish Hall.**

Please contact Morna at the Parish Office if you could help with the lunch. If anyone is needing transport please contact Parish Office 489 6486.



### JOSHUA CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP, NORTH SHORE

Meeting date: **Wed 28 August at 7pm Fellowship - Meeting 7:30 pm**

Venue: St Thomas More, 336 Wairau Road, Glenfield. Guest speaker: Jim Gribble on **Chaplaincy a Vital Ministry in the Church**. All men welcome to join others for a time of learning, praying, fellowship. For more info contact Russell 022 034 5678.

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Following the finance presentation a couple of months ago, there has been restructuring of our parish staff, resulting in two positions becoming available:

Executive assistant, a 25 hours per week role; and (b) Property manager, 10-15 hours per week. For position descriptions and to apply for a position, contact Fr Mark Napa [frmark@stjoseph.org.nz](mailto:frmark@stjoseph.org.nz) Applications close 27 September 2024.

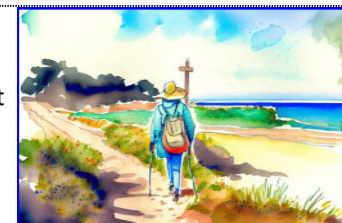
### MONSIGNOR DAVID

will be away from the parish from 26 August to 10 January on a sabbatical break.

During his absence, Fr Mark Napa will

have pastoral oversight of St Joseph's Parish.

We wish Mons David many blessings on his time away and his 1600 km walk (Camino) from Le Puy-en-Velay (France) to Santiago de Compostela (Spain). After about 75 days of walking he'll spend a few weeks travelling around Europe. He will be grateful for your prayers and will be praying for our parish community in the churches of Europe.



### FUNDRAISING FOR RENOVATIONS TO ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Planning is well underway for an upgrade to St Joseph's Church, which will provide lift access, an improved hospitality area, and a safe gathering space in front of the church.

Msgr David hopes his pilgrimage can be a fundraiser for the Church upgrade. Are you able to sponsor him on his 1600km pilgrimage?

10 cents per kilometre means donating around \$160 to the Church upgrade;  
20 cents per kilometre is \$360.

\$5 per kilometre means a donation of \$8000.

It depends, of course, on how many kilometres he walks! Or you may prefer to donate a lump sum.

Donations are tax deductible.

Clipboards at Church doors to make a donation pledge. Thank you.

**SVdP FOODBANK** Thank you to all who donate food to our Foodbank, that is always in high demand. Items welcomed are Tinned Goods, Pasta/Rice/Noodles, Tea/Coffee, Biscuits, Sugar, Cereal and Toiletries. Please keep in mind we can only accept **non-perishable** food. Donations can also be made to the SVdP Bank Account No.12-3008-0043519-00. Thank you for your generosity.