

## Next Sunday 22 September - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First: The book of Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

PSALM: 54

Second: Letter of St James 3:16-4:3

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

**PRAYER** In charity we pray for Elizabeth Snedden, Marie Dunne, Gerrit Van Der Merwe (Cape Town) **who died recently** and Robert Gore **whose anniversary occurs**

**PRAYER FOR THE SICK** 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 Dobbryn, Raphael Ponce, Rosemary Allardice, Mal Green, 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-FOURTH SUNDAY of OT** <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/Celebrating-Twenty-Fourth-SUNDAY-in-OT.pdf>

**A Child's TEN COMMANDMENTS** <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/A-Childs-Ten-Commandments-to-Parents.pdf>

## 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

15 September 2024

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

**The prophet Isaiah 50:5-9**

God's true servant ..

.. suffering yet not shamed

**PSALM 116**

I love the Lord for he has heard  
the cry of my appeal;  
for he turned his ear to me  
in the day when I called him.

They surrounded me, the snares of death,  
with anguish of the tomb;  
they caught me, sorrow and distress.  
I called on the Lord's name.

O Lord my God, deliver me!

How gracious is the Lord, and just;  
our God has compassion.

The Lord protects the simple hearts;  
I was helpless so he saved me!

God has kept my soul from death,  
my eyes from tears  
and my feet from stumbling.  
I will walk in the presence of the Lord  
in the land of the living.

**Letter of James 2:14-18**

Faith that does nothing in practice  
is lifeless

**MARK 8:27-35**

Peter acknowledges Jesus  
as 'The Christ' ... he calls them  
to the cross of suffering



A hard call ...

You are the God of extravagant  
promises.

We relish your great promises  
of fidelity, of presence, of solidarity  
and we exude in them.

Only to find out, always too late,  
that your promise comes with  
a hard, deep call to obedience.

You are the God who calls  
people like us - and a long list  
of mothers and fathers before us,  
who trusted enough to keep the call.

So, we give you thanks  
that you are a calling God,  
calling always to dangerous new  
places.

We pray enough of your grace  
and mercy among us that we  
may be among those who  
believe your promises enough  
to respond to your call.

Walter Brueggemann

**NOTICES FROM THE DIOCESE**

The Diocesan Faith Formation Team education session for the ministries of *1st Sacraments for Children and Baptism preparation*. Open to all educators and volunteers involved in these ministries. Next session TODAY 15 SEPTEMBER 1-3PM AT ST JOSEPH'S, TAKAPUNA. Please register on <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/formation/> For any further information please contact Deacon Steve Fraser on [stephenf@cda.org.nz](mailto:stephenf@cda.org.nz) or 021 439407.

**St Mary's College Past Pupils Association** On Sunday 22 September Mass will be celebrated by Fr Peter Tipene in Old SMC Chapel, New St, Ponsonby at 2pm. Followed by afternoon tea and AGM. Please RSVP to [cathieharrop@gmail.com](mailto:cathieharrop@gmail.com)

**NZ Catholic Medical Association Networking Event** with Dr Mary English on 20 September. The event will be for healthcare students and professionals and is an opportunity to connect with each other, learn and be inspired. See Noticeboard for details.

*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!*

Please prayerfully consider supporting the **Cathedral of St Patrick and St Joseph's annual appeal**, held 21 September. As the Mother Church of our Diocese, it stands as an oasis of peace for all in Auckland. Bishop Steve invites all in the diocese to make a pilgrimage to the Cathedral.

**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 [fmark@stjoseph.org.nz](mailto:fmark@stjoseph.org.nz) Applications close 27 September 2024.

**Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College** is accepting enrolments for first semester 2025 from 23<sup>rd</sup> September to 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024. Courses offered are Bachelor of Divinity, Graduate Diploma in Theology, Diploma and Certificate in Christian Studies, and a new microcredential on Managing Church Organisations. Contact: Email: [j.cortez@tekupenga.org.nz](mailto:j.cortez@tekupenga.org.nz) Website: <http://www.tekupenga.ac.nz>



Thomas O'Loughlin, emerited Professor of Historical Theology at the University of Nottingham, UK introduces us to the Christian world of the 1st and 2nd Century and their understanding of Mary, the Mother of God. Listen to the 8-min recording here: <https://youtu.be/vkhHvo6vaZ0> For more information: [www.studyjoy.nz](http://www.studyjoy.nz)

**YOUTH MASS THIS SUNDAY AT 6PM**

**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

*Pro-Life Witness Every Wednesday 10-11am. Phone Tony Brebner 486 4418.*

**MORNING TEA after 10.30am Mass in the Parish Hall hosted by Legion of Mary**



A medieval festival at Estaing - the exorcist sprinkles holy water

Dear Parishioners of St Joseph's, our journey, often challenging because of steep and rocky terrain, has brought us almost 300km. Dotted along the way are roadside crosses and churches, a constant reminder that the Lord is our companion on the journey. The generosity of people and the strength we have to complete difficult stretches of road assure us the Lord never stops caring for us. You are in my prayers, David



In this house, the farm animals live downstairs and the humans upstairs!



Resurrection window in a small chapel after a long uphill climb

**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.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

Birthday celebration meeting is planned for Tuesday, 17 September, 12 noon for lunch at the Northcote Tavern, 37 Queen St, Northcote. (CWL supports Missions and addresses "Corporal works of mercy" per Cannon Law) - members and non members welcome to share our birthday. Ph 486 3695 Margaret.

**Christian Meditation Group**

The midday Christian meditation group meets each Wednesday at 1-30pm in St Vincent's Church in Milford. New and old meditators are all welcome. For more information phone Graham on 09 489 4389.

**PRAYER TREE—**

Sue Morgan is now the co-ordinator of the Prayer Tree. Please feel free to contact Sue either by text or email for your prayer requests [swmorg@xtra.co.nz](mailto:swmorg@xtra.co.nz) or 027 200 8791. Thank you and God bless you.

**HERE TO HELP!** Alone, Elderly, Downsizing - Need Help - call St Vincent De Paul, Takapuna Conference.

If you need help to move please call us on 0210 886 7844 or email [svdptakapuna@gmail.com](mailto:svdptakapuna@gmail.com)

**JESUS THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRAYER GROUP**

invites you to join us for our weekly prayer meetings. **Every Wednesday 7:30 pm to 9:15pm** at St Joseph's Church Hall. Praise & Worship, teaching & Fellowship.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS WITH FR MARK BOND**

St Joseph's Church Hall **Thursday, 26 September 7pm** Exploring the Psalms

**Thursday 17 October 7pm** Praying with the Psalms

**ADULT CONFIRMATION**

The preparation programme for Adults Confirmation is offered for parishioners of Takapuna and the deanery of North Shore; has commenced and continues on Wednesdays at 7pm. If you are in need of this, please contact Edwin on [pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz](mailto:pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz) for more details.

**ENGLISH CLASSES**

With Fr Mark Bond and Johanna Klein in the Meeting Room every first three Fridays of each month. They are held after 9.15am - Mass, 10am - 11am.

**Accommodation:** 1 double bedroom available for female who is looking for temporary abode. Please contact Jo 022 496 7970.