

Next Sunday 15 September - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First: The prophet Isaiah 50:5-9
Second: Letter of St James 2:14-18

PSALM: 116
Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

PRAYER In charity we pray for Most Reverend Denis Browne, Bishop Emeritus of Rarotonga, Auckland and Hamilton, and John LeFeuvre, **who died recently and those whose anniversaries occur**

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 Dobbyn, 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-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 - 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

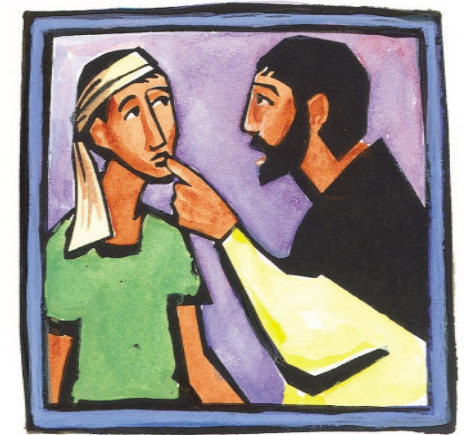
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The CENTRE of the BIBLE <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/The-Centre-of-The-Bible.pdf>

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 September 2024

LITURGY OF THE WORD



The prophet Isaiah 35:4-7
God comes to heal humanity
to restore the natural world

PSALM 145
It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is God who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free.

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down,
the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger.

It is the Lord who loves the just,
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age.

Letter of St James 2:1-5
Let us share together God's
poverty of spirit

MARK 7:31-37
Jesus brings His healing word
to both Jew and Gentile ...

EYES AND EARS FOR THE LORD'S DAY
From the time of our faith ancestors
God has promised to save us ..

to open our blind eyes, our deaf ears
to help us leap for joy in salvation
to release us from hatred, suffering,
oppression.

History proves that God is faithful
that these promises are fulfilled in
Jesus.

Jesus opens our eyes to see God's
presence

in the goodness of people
in the tenderness of life
.. even in its vulnerability.

Jesus opens our ears to hear
God's word spoken to us by others
revealed through the world He made
for us.

Touched by Him in these ways
our hearts can leap with joy;
our lives, our world
are alive with God's presence.

Sr Dianne Bergant C.S.A.

SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK RUNS FROM 8 - 14 SEPTEMBER 2024

Social Justice Week serves as an ongoing commitment in the Catholic calendar to consider, reflect on, and act on a particular current social justice issue through the lens of Catholic social teaching.

The overarching theme for Social Justice Week from 2023-2025 is:

'Imagine Peace For All / Pohewatia te Rangimārie mō te Katoa'

Each year there's a unique focus, and for 2024 it is:

'Choose forgiveness, know peace / Kōwhiria te murunga hara, kia mōhio ki te rangimārie'

Catholic social teaching sees peace as an essential component of social justice, which is based on the principles of respect for human dignity, the pursuit of the common good, and the protection of human rights. It calls for a transformation of social structures and systems that perpetuate violence, inequality and injustice, and for the promotion of a culture of peace that values dialogue, reconciliation, and nonviolent conflict resolution.

Our love for others can lead us to repentance, forgiveness, and reconciliation, building a path to lasting peace. **Google Social Justice Week 2024 for Resources.**

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 on **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 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

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 Malaeola 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!

BIRTHDAY OF BIRTHDAYS
 Gold from a dawning white heat of love.
 Mother for child:
 Her birthday lights the sky through rainbows arching a damaged world.
 Wind shakes the wattles on springtime pools gathered from melting snows like gold tears falling.
 A sky is waiting for a world to be restored.
 Seed blown from glory warms in her breast her eyes mirror the marvel of royal humbleness and death gives birth to a flower each morning.
 Gold from the sunset and a child crying.
 Maid grown to mother and promise of pain.
 The flower of her love pierces the sealed stone to thank her for her birthday!
 Written by Susan McGowan for Our Lady's Birthday 8 Sept.

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 Applications close 27 September 2024.

TITIPOUNAMU Study & Joy
Reading the Bible Ecologically Interview with the late Dr Elaine Wainwright rsm <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UWsvEfAHIoU> For info. www.studyjoy.nz



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.

Dear St Joseph's community, The pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela began with Pilgrims' Mass at Le Puy-en-Velay Cathedral on 31 August. Our walk has taken us through beautiful French countryside, with lots of challenging hills and temperatures up to 30 degrees. There are many walkers - very few are pilgrims - resulting in scarcity of accommodation. The journey is not easy: I'm praying for you all, and will be grateful for your prayers. God bless, David



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

ADULT CONFIRMATION
 The preparation programme for Adults Confirmation is offered for parishioners of Takapuna and the deanery of North Shore; commences on Wednesday 11 Sept. at 7pm. If you are in need of this, please contact Edwin on pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz for more

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

PRAYER TREE—Sue Morgan is now the coordinator of the Prayer Tree. Please feel free to contact Sue either by text or email for your prayer requests swmorg@xtra.co.nz or 027 200 8791. Thank you and may God bless you.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL MONTHLY COLLECTION TODAY at St Vincent de Paul Church, Milford.

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.

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.

ENGLISH CLASSES
 With Fr Mark Bond and Jo Cogle Starting again in the Meeting Room every first three Fridays of each month. The first one is next Friday 13 September. They are held after 9.15am - Mass, 10am - 12 noon.

MORNING TEA after 10.30am
 Mass in the Parish Hall hosted by Winnie & Antonio Pereira

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.

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