

Sunday 2 February 2025 - The Presentation of The Lord

FIRST: MALACHI 3:1-4
SECOND: HEBREWS 2:10-18

PSALM: 24
GOSPEL: LUKE 2:22-40

PRAYER In charity we pray for those who died recently and for Janice Lawson whose anniversary occurs.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK Anthony Webster, Steve Vonyvich, Jim Newfield, Francis De Leon, Corazon Andales, Marcia Healy, Maria Wang, Maria Jia, 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, & Joanne LeFort.

PARISH TEAM

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NEW PARISHIONER SIGN UP

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

St Joseph's Takapuna Parish Bank
Account No. 02 - 0108 - 0706814 - 000



MORNING TEA after 10.30am
Mass in the Parish Hall hosted by Missionary Families of Christ—North Shore Unit

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

NORTH SHORE HOSPITAL MASS - First Sunday of month: 11.00am

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



PART TIME DAY-TIME NANNY REQUIRED - We're looking for a nanny to cover two days a week in Milford: for a newborn & a toddler. All levels of experience considered. Please contact Lenora on morgal04@gmail.com

TO REQUEST AN APPOINTMENT FOR YOUR PREFERENCE FORM TO BE ENDORSED, PLEASE VISIT TO MAKE A BOOKING:
<https://outlook.office.com/bookwithme/user/fa6e66c41e764951b35330b82dc3f33b@stjoseph.org.nz/>

Independent Kiwi Senior needing a room, near the bus stop. Respectful, mutually share tasks in the house and garden. References available. Can pay \$200 negotiable. Kindly call 021 079 9074 to discuss further.

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 10 Dominion Street Takapuna 0622
 Parish Office: 09 489 6486
 Presbytery: 09 489 6338
 ea@stjoseph.org.nz
 10am to 3.30pm Monday to Friday



SAINT JOSEPHS
ST JOSEPHS CATHOLIC CHURCH TAKAPUNA

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time - Word of God Sunday - 26th January 2025

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The book of NEHEMIAH 8:2 ..10

The Torah-Law, re-discovered is read - the people weep! then rejoice, eat, drink

PSALM 18

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes.

They are more to be desired than gold, than the purest of gold and sweeter are they than honey than quintessence of bees.

The fear of the Lord is holy abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just.

May the spoken words of my mouth, the thoughts of my heart, win favour in your sight, O Lord, my rescuer, my rock!

1st letter to Corinthians 12:12-30

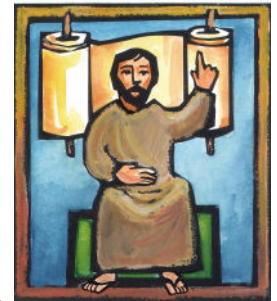
St Paul's 'body-of Christ' image - each of us forms a part ...

LUKE 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Jesus explains the Word to the people of his home town

POPE FRANCIS ..

'.. It is my humble opinion that the divine and the Human meet in the slightest detail in the seamless garment of God's creation in the least speck of our planet.'



Only the Christian believer can begin to understand that creation itself was the first intimation of a future incarnation - God taking on human flesh.

Creation itself was the first step in the long journey of a love that would evolve into the perfect humanity of the helpless Bethlehem baby.

Did Christmas mean this to you?
Fr Daniel O'Leary
1937—2019

REGULAR ACTIVITIES - BELOW ARE A LIST OF THE ACTIVITIES ON HAND THIS YEAR. SPECIFIC DETAILS WILL BE SHARED ON EACH ACTIVITY IN THE UPCOMING NEWSLETTERS & ON OUR WEBSITE.

- **Cano choir** — second Tuesday of the month 19:00-20:00 in the church. Contact gayeclarke51@icloud.com
- **Indonesian choir practice** — first Thursday of the month 19:00 in the church. Contact shaji@eet.co.nz
- **Kumon** — Mondays & Thursdays 13:30 - 18:30 in the meeting room. Contact kumonsparentscommunication@gmail.com
- **60's up** — Thursdays 10:00 - 15:30 in the hall. Contact maysiemay63@gmail.com
- **Padre Pio** — first Thursday of the month 19:00 in the meeting room. Contact ronhunter@xtra.co.nz
- **St. Vincent de Paul group** — every second Monday 19:00 in the meeting room. Contact stvinniestakapuna@gmail.com
- **Alpha course** — 1st course starting Tuesdays 17:00-22:00 in the hall and meeting room from March. Contact stephenf@kidzcan.co.nz
- **Jesus the Good Shepherd prayer meetings** — Wednesdays 19:30 - 21:15 in the hall. Contact Engelbert.dsouza@yahoo.com
- **Korean prayer group** — Mondays 10:00 - 12:00 in the meeting room. Contact kkh0324@hotmail.com
- **Legion of Mary** — Tuesdays 17:00 - 19:30 venue TBC. Contact wilson.lucente@hotmail.com
- **Novena Mother of Perpetual Help** - St Vincent's every Wednesday 17:30. Contact suzieproffitt@gmail.com
- **Wings group** — specific Monday dates 19:00 & Tuesday & Wednesday daytime 10:00 in the meeting room. Contact jcogle@xtra.co.nz
- **St. Joseph's indoor bowling club**—Mondays 19:00 in the hall. Contact Harjeet Chatha 0210 303 459.
- **OCIA** — every Thursday evening 19:30 for adults; every Sunday 9:30 for children in the parish Office. Starting dates to follow. Contact Edwin.pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz
- **Youth** — details to follow. Contact youth@stjoseph.org.nz
- **Korean choir** — Mondays 19:00-21:00 in the church. Contact jaeon96@gmail.com
- **Christian Meditation group** — Wednesday 13:30 at St. Vincent de Paul Milford. Contact geeandessmbs@hotmail.com

Training for Ministers of the Word & Holy Communion-All existing & aspiring ministers are strongly encouraged to attend training to be held in the Church by Father Mark Bond:

- ◆ Wednesday 19th February 2025 6:30pm —Ministers of the Eucharist training.
- ◆ Thursday 20th February 2025 6:30pm —Ministers of the Eucharist training.

A register will be taken and all those attending will then be commissioned for ministry. Certificates will be handed out thereafter.

FOOD PARCEL REQUESTS - CONTACT ST VINCENT DE PAUL FOODBANK ON 021 0886 7844

Donations can also be made to the SVdP Bank Account No. 12-3008-0043519-00.
Thank you for your generosity.

NORTH SHORE JOSHUA MEETING – A warm invitation to all men to the January meeting. Date: Wed 29 January 2025 7.15pm for 7.30pm start. Venue: St Thomas More Church Hall, 336 Wairau Road, Glenfield. The evening will include a talk "The Apprentice" presented by Peter-John Carelse and Kevin Farrell. Come to be encouraged by other men of faith. Contact Jerome 027 233 4380 for more information.

FUNDRAISING FOR RENOVATIONS TO ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Planning for the upgrade to St Joseph's Church continues, and so too do our fundraising efforts. Msgr David completed his 1600km pilgrimage mid-November 2024 and **a very big thank you to everyone who made a pledge and has donated already.** Whilst we continue through 2025 raising funds - remember that donations are tax deductible. You can make an EFT payment directly to St Joseph's Takapuna Parish Bank Account No. 02 - 0108 - 0706814 - 000 with the reference: Your name & Fundraising.

CAN YOU HELP? OUR CUPBOARD IS BARE!

De Paul House, transitional and social housing provider, has had a huge turnover of families leaving our accommodation. In 2024 we assisted 148 adults and 212 children into long term rentals or social housing. Last year we took over 602 calls requesting help with housing.

Families and senior citizens are supported with access to our bedding, linen, food, furniture, household goods and clothing banks. We are in urgent need of good quality towels, flannels, bathmats, hand towels etc. Single linen is always low as we have 133 single beds and families take the bedding when they move out. Single duvet inners, covers, single sheets, new pillows, Queen duvet inners, tea towels etc.

Contact De Paul House:
Ph 480 5959
Email admin@depaulhouse.org.nz
Web www.depaulhouse.org.nz

Young Catholic Family Seeking Rental

We are a young Catholic family looking for a 3-4 bedroom rental in Auckland, ready to move in before the end of January 2025. As responsible, community-minded tenants, we are ideally looking for a longer-term tenancy, within the \$600-\$700pw range. If you have a property available, please contact Sam at 027 1800 2238.

Mass Intentions Notice

We kindly ask that all Mass intentions be submitted directly to the parish office via email at ea@stjoseph.org.nz.

ONE-DAY RETREAT for

ALL on Saturday 15 FEB 2025. Hosted collaboratively by the Auckland Joshua and Dove Fellowships. Retreat, directed by Fr Carl Telford and titled "The Prayer Journey of St Teresa of Avila". 8am to 4pm on Sat 15 February 2025 at St Thomas More Church, 336 Wairau Rd, Glenfield, Auckland. Morning Tea will be provided. Bring a packed lunch or buy from the local shops. Suggested Koha of \$20pp. Register using the QR code below or text/call Greg on 021 437747.



CHURCH, HALL & MEETING ROOM BOOKINGS FOR 2025 -

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE SENT THEIR REQUESTS THROUGH TO THE PARISH OFFICE. Provisional calendars are up on the blue notice board in the church office for you to check during office hours. If you need need to make your booking for the use of the facilities for regular meetings, prayer groups etc. please email ea@stjoseph.org.nz with the dates and times being requested, and the contact person. **Deadline Monday 27th January 2025.**

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF JESUS

Next Sunday is the feast of the Presentation, also known as Candlemas. If you use candles for prayer, you are welcome to bring them to Mass that day for blessing. We will also begin the 10:30 Mass with a procession of candles into the church.

MEMORIAL OF ST BLAISE

On Monday 3rd February, we celebrate St. Blaise Day. After the 9.15am Mass, we will have a blessing of people's throats, a devotion associated with St Blaise.