

Sunday 23rd February 2025 - 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST: 1 SAMUEL 26:2-25

PSALM: 103

SECOND: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:45-49

GOSPEL: LUKE 6:27-38

PRAYER In charity we pray for those who died recently, Vicente Polines, and for Mary Finlay and Cristeta Alimurong whose anniversaries occur.

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-parishioner/>

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



MORNING TEA after 10.30am
 Mass in the Parish Hall hosted by The St. Joseph's School Group

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**



LINKS REGARDING PREFERENCE ENROLMENT REQUIREMENTS: [Catholic Schools - Catholic Diocese of Auckland](https://www.catholic.schools.nz/enrolment/); <https://www.sj.school.nz/enrolment/>; <https://www.carmel.school.nz/enrolment/enrolment/>; <https://www.rosmini.school.nz/enrolment/enrol-2025> We are holding an **open hour for preference enrolment forms** to be signed on the following dates & times in the parish office:

- Tuesday 18th February 2025 10:00-11:00
- Tuesday 25th February 2025 10:00-11:00

www.takapunacatholic.org.nz

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

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time -16th February 2025

LITURGY OF THE WORD

JEREMIAH 17:5-8

Those who trust in the Lord will be happy and blessed. Jeremiah identifies where the source of life and bounty lies - in God who gives life to all.

PSALM 1

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; But their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on His law they meditate day and night. They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgement, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:12. 16-20

We are witnesses to hope by believing in and preaching the resurrection. It is a task which is essential for the world's survival and flourishing.

LUKE 6:17.20-26

In listing the Beatitudes, Luke also gives a series of woes to those who will lose out in the long run. Luke is not condemning wealth *per se* but warning about how it can distract us from God.

Prayer of St Francis

Lord make me an instrument of your peace
 Where there is hatred let me sow love
 Where there is injury, pardon
 Where there is doubt, faith
 Where there is despair, hope
 Where there is darkness, light
 And where there is sadness, joy.
 O divine master grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console
 To be understood as to understand
 To be loved as to love
 For it is in giving that we receive
 it is in pardoning that we are pardoned
 And it's in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen



He makes our sin bearable and like Peter it becomes fuel for the fire of love.

André Louf - Cistercian

NEXT ROSTER SCHEDULE MARCH—JUNE 2025. Our church is so thankful to our many volunteers who give of their time. We are busy setting up the next set of rosters and always looking for help. If you would like to assist with morning teas; altar flowers; cleaning; being a minister of the Word or a minister of Holy Communion—please email ea@stjoseph.org.nz and specify what you are interested being involved with.

REMINDER: 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 Fr. Mark Bond:

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

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

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER NEW ZEALAND. FRIDAY 7TH MARCH 2025 11:00AM

World Day of Prayer is an international movement of Christian people in many different traditions that have a continuing relationship of prayer and service. People from various denominations gather in one another's churches to celebrate, using a Worship Service prepared by women of a different country each year. This year, our prayer service has been prepared by women of the Cook Islands.

Come join us at St. Joseph's Parish at 11:00am on Friday 7th March 2025, as we celebrate this day of prayer with our Christian brothers and sisters. Morning tea will be served thereafter. More details will be communicated closer to the time.

For more information visit [World Day of Prayer](#)

PREPARATIONS LEADING UP TO ASH WEDNESDAY 5TH MARCH 2025 —if you have palms left over from Palm Sunday in 2024, you are welcome to bring them and place them in the baskets at the entrance of the church, to be made into ashes.

NEW SEASON OF ALPHA TO START – Ever had that feeling that there must be more to your life as Christian and Catholic? Is there something missing? Alpha is an opportunity to enjoy a meal, meet new friends, learn more about your faith, hear and share stories and meet Jesus on a more personal level. Alpha starts Tuesday 4th March, 7pm in the Church hall (for 7 Tuesdays and a retreat day). To register contact Engelbert Dsouza; email: engelbert.dsouza@yahoo.com – Ph 021 0234 6853 Or Deacon Steve Fraser; email: stephenf@kidzcan.co.nz – Ph 021 439 407 Or register at - bit.ly/alphataka

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE -First meeting of the year Tuesday, 18 February, 10.30 am, in the room near the school office. Usual shared lunch, etc. All welcome. For info, phone Margaret on 486 3695

ALTAR SERVERS— If you are interested in becoming an altar server please send an email to Beatrice Tanoedjaja: best2308@yahoo.com.

REMINDERS

- The youth mass is every third Sunday of the month at 18:00. Contact youth@stjoseph.org.nz for more info.
- The children's mass is every fourth Sunday of the month at 10:30. Contact christine.tanumihardja@gmail.com for more info

SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP

THURSDAY 27TH FEBRUARY
2025
7.00PM
ST LEOS PRIMARY SCHOOL,
102 VICTORIA ROAD,
DEVONPORT.

HOSTED BY ST FRANCIS DE SALES AND ALL SAINTS PARISH,
DEVONPORT

Safeguarding training is a policy requirement of the Catholic Diocese of Auckland and the National Office for Professional Standards (NOPS) for those volunteers working with children, youth and vulnerable adults.



WE WELCOME VOLUNTEERS AND PARISHIONERS FROM ALL PARISHES AND ENTITIES TO JOIN US.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT EITHER
Parish Secretary
St Francis de Sales and All Saints Parish
09 445 0078
OR
Lisa-May Gray
Safeguarding Coordinator
Catholic Diocese of Auckland
llsam@cda.org.nz
09 380 3019

MASS INTENTIONS NOTICE

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

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. A **very big thank you to everyone who made a pledge and has donated already. To date we have managed to raise \$ 80,345!** 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 reference: Your name & Fundraising.

ST JOSEPH'S BAPTISM PROGRAMME -Are you looking to get your child baptized? You need to enroll in our baptism sacramental

programme. Available dates for upcoming baptisms are:

- ◆ Saturday 24th May 2025
- ◆ Saturday 28th June 2025
- ◆ Saturday 26th July 2025
- ◆ Saturday 23rd August 2025
- ◆ Saturday 27th September 2025
- ◆ Saturday 25th October 2025
- ◆ Saturday 22nd November 2025

For more information and guidance please email **Edwin on pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz**.

BARADENE COLLEGE - OPEN DAY TOURS – TUESDAY 25, WEDNESDAY 26 & THURSDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2025

BOOKINGS online REQUIRED (bookings open 9.00am Tuesday 18 Feb)
Tour times: 9am and 10am each day
Book at www.baradene.school.nz

2025 Open Day Tours

Book your time by 3.00pm Monday 24 Feb
Enrolments for Year 7, 2026 and for limited places in other Year levels are being accepted now and will close at 3pm on Friday 14 March, 2025.

KIDS KORNER AND PARENT PONDERINGS

[Celebrating 6th SUNDAY in OT](https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Celebrating-Sixth-SUNDAY-in-OT.pdf) <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/When-was-the-Last-time-you-Praised-God-1.pdf>