

*Next Sunday 13th April 2025 - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion*

**First:** The prophet Isaiah 50:4-7 **Psalm:** 21 **Second:** Letter to the Philippians 2:6-11

**Gospel:** The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 22:14 - 23:56

**PRAYER** In charity we pray for those who died recently, and for those 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 & Pat McKay.

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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 St. Joseph's School.

**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, Reconciliation Friday after the 10am mass

**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



**KIDS KORNER AND PARENT PONDERINGS**


**5th SUNDAY of LENT** <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Celebrating-Fifth-SUNDAY-of-LENT.pdf>


[Where's the Piccolo](https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Where's-the-Piccolo.pdf) <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Where's-the-Piccolo.pdf>

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 **10am to 3.30pm Monday to Friday**



**SAINT JOSEPHS**  
ST JOSEPHS CATHOLIC CHURCH TAKAPUNA

*5th Sunday Of Lent-6th April 2025*

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**The prophet ISAIAH 43:16-21**

God is always 'making new' His world

**PSALM 125**

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,  
it seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
on our lips there were songs.

The heathens themselves said: "What marvels  
the Lord worked for them!"

What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad.

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage  
as streams in dry land.

Those who are sowing in tears  
will sing when they reap.

They go out, they go out, full of tears,  
carrying seed for the sowing:  
they come back, they come back, full of song,  
carrying their sheaves.

**Letter to the Philippians 3:8-14**

To know Christ .. and his resurrection is our most  
prized treasure

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

"Praise to you Lord Jesus, king of endless glory,  
Saviour of the World, Saviour of the World!"

**JOHN 8:1-11**

Jesus forgives the adulterous woman -  
everyone sins .. all need forgiveness

**YOU ARE KNOWN IN HIDDENNESS**

God, hidden from us in myriad verbs we  
confess you where we do not see you:  
in healings, in forgiveness in many ways of  
newness.

We do not see you, but dare to name you  
we name you father and mother, we make  
you Lord and Saviour, we praise you giver  
and lover.

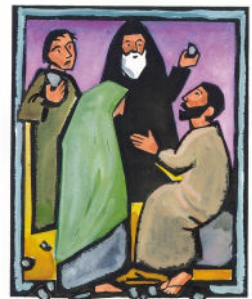
We know you are beyond us unutterable,  
hidden, refusing our manufactured labels.

You are known in hiddenness powerful in  
suffering whole in woundedness.

And we are yours ...  
all of us .. gladly.

Walter

Brueggemann



**FIRST AID TRAINING** - We are running a first aid training session on Tues. 22nd April in the hall from 10:30-2:30 for our staff. We have 4 open slots available and are looking for some parishioners from our weekend masses to attend the training. If you are keen and able to join—please email [ea@stjoseph.org.nz](mailto:ea@stjoseph.org.nz) by **Friday 11th April 2025** so we can confirm numbers.

**PLANNED GIVING COMMITTEE** - We are setting up a committee to help run a parish planned giving campaign in May 2025. If you would like to be a part of the team that helps the Parish realise some of its goals this year please send an email to [ea@stjoseph.org.nz](mailto:ea@stjoseph.org.nz) by Friday 11th April 2025.

**THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION FOR APRIL: FOR THE USE OF THE NEW TECHNOLOGIES** Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times More details can be found by going to the link below: [The Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2025 | USCCB](#)

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MONTHLY COLLECTION** - The gold coin collection will be held after all masses at St. Joseph's this weekend. Did you know? We have assisted with 23 requests for care packages to the WDH (Te Whatu Ora - Waitematā) for New Born and Pregnancy Loss during the first quarter of 2025. If anyone needs our help they can call our helpline on 021 088 678 44

**MYANMAR DISASTER RELIEF**- Caritas Aotearoa is receiving donations for relief work in Myanmar for the victims of the devastating 7.7 magnitude earthquake. Donate to Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand - 03-0518-0211216-03. The code is 'Myanmar'. Please write your name in the particulars section. Or make a donation through Caritas website [www.caritas.org.nz](http://www.caritas.org.nz)

**ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC INDOOR BOWLS CLUB CHARITY NIGHT**

- ◆ 5 May 2025 @ 7.15pm
- ◆ St Joseph's Hall 10 Dominion Street RSVP by 30 April to Harjeet on 021 0303 459

**WINGS. NGA PARIRAU – FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMME FOR ADULTS** Our programme starts on **Mon. 5th May 2025 7.00pm** or **Tues. 6th May 2025 at 10.00am**. Subsequent sessions are always at these times. There are six sessions spread out over June, July, August, October & November. We also have a day retreat in Sept. This programme will help individuals to develop a greater appreciation of Jesus and build a stronger personal relationship with Him. All welcome. It will change your life! **Contact: Joh Cogle** at [jcogle@xtra.co.nz](mailto:jcogle@xtra.co.nz) to indicate an interest; ask questions and to enroll in the programme.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2025 (FIRST CONFESSION, CONFIRMATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION)** If your son or daughter is 8 years old and you now wish them to prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion this year, you will need to complete the Registration form available at the Church entrances. **Deadline for completed forms is 11th April 2025 at 2pm. Completed forms can be dropped at the Parish Office on Mondays-Tuesdays 10am-2pm and Thursdays-Fridays 10am and 2pm. Orientation dates** are either on Monday 28th April 6pm or Wednesday 30th April 6pm in the St. Joseph's Church. For inquiries, please email the Edwin on [pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz](mailto:pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz)

📢 **CALLING ALL PARENTS! JOIN US FOR AN ENRICHING SEMINAR!** 📢 Parenting in today's digital world is full of joys and challenges. How can we raise strong, faith-filled children in a world of screens and distractions? Let's explore this together! The Children's Ministry warmly invites you to a special Parenting Seminar with Sue & Dcn. Stephen Fraser. Email [children.stjosephs@gmail.com](mailto:children.stjosephs@gmail.com) to let us know you're coming. We'd love to see you there—let's learn and grow together!

- ◆ Date: Monday, April 7th
- ◆ Time: 7:00 – 8:00 PM (followed by Tea)
- ◆ Venue: St. Joseph's Parish Meeting Room

**LENTEN PROGRAMME REMINDER**

- ◆ 7pm Wednesday 9th April Mass
- ◆ 7pm Thursday 10th April with Fr. Mark Napa in the meeting room
- ◆ Stations of the cross 7pm Friday

**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE** - The Anglican, Baptist and Catholic Churches in Milford gather on Good Friday morning for a shared service. It begins outside St Paul's Anglican Church at 9.00am, with a Walk from St Paul's Church with the Cross through the streets to the Milford Baptist Church, where the Service begins at 9:30am. There will also be a 3pm Catholic Liturgy at St Vincent de Paul Church to celebrate the Death of the Lord.

**SAINT PADRE PIO OF PIETRELcina** - meet on the first Thursday of every month in the St. Joseph's meeting room at 7pm. For more info contact [ronhunt@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ronhunt@xtra.co.nz). Upcoming meeting dates: 1st May; 5th June; 3rd July; 7th August; 4th September; 2nd October; 6th November & 4th December 2025.

**ST. VINNIES FOOD DONATION** - A special request for our parishioners to please check the expiry dates of food before donating them to St. Vinnies as they cannot accept expired food. Thank you. Email [stvinniestakapuna@gmail.com](mailto:stvinniestakapuna@gmail.com)

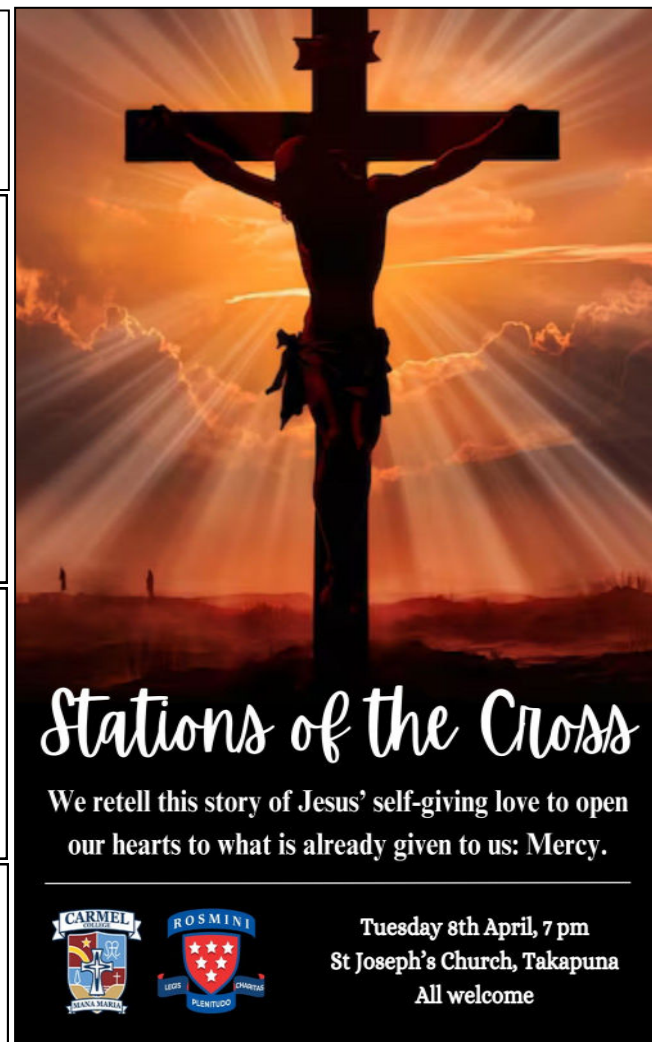
**LENTEN CELEBRATIONS OF RECONCILIATION (RITE II) IN NORTH SHORE PARISHES**

- ◆ Tues 8 April 7.00pm Orewa
- ◆ Wed 9 April 7.00pm Mairangi Bay
- ◆ Thurs 10 April 7.00pm Northcote
- ◆ Fri 11 April 7.00pm Beach Haven
- ◆ Sun 13 April 7.00pm Devonport

**PARISH SAFEGUARDING** - The Catholic Diocese of Auckland requires all volunteers working with children, youth and vulnerable adults to have safeguarding training (with a refresher course every three years) and to be police vetted, in order to undertake their ministry. Upcoming Safeguarding workshop dates:

- ◆ Tuesday, 8 April at 7.00 pm: Online workshop
- ◆ Wednesday, 30th April at 7.00 pm: Face to Face workshop St Mary's, 117 Onewa Road, Northcote.

To register for these workshops contact Lisa-May Gray at 09 360 3019 or [lisam@cda.org.nz](mailto:lisam@cda.org.nz)



**Stations of the Cross**

We retell this story of Jesus' self-giving love to open our hearts to what is already given to us: Mercy.



Tuesday 8th April, 7 pm  
St Joseph's Church, Takapuna  
All welcome

**ENGAGED / PLANNING A WEDDING? CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND – MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE** Book your Course early - 1 year before the wedding. Register & Book here: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/our-courses/> For more information contact: Gerry at [gerrys@cda.org.nz](mailto:gerrys@cda.org.nz) M: 021 02247442