

Next Sunday 25th May 2025 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

First: Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2. 22-29

PSALM: 66 (67)

Second: Apocalypse 21:10-14. 22-23

Gospel: John 14:23-29

PRAYER In charity we pray for those who died recently, and for Nina Barry-Martin, Enid Polson, Vincent Campbell & Helen Boland whose anniversaries occur.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK Anthony Webster, Steve Vonyvich, Jim Newfield, Corazon Andales, Marcia Healy, Maria Wang, Maria Jia, Jon Cruz, Francis Lionnet, Tony Ryan, Denis Trotman, John Slaven, Ken Sharkey, Liz Smith, Aurora Madrigal, Michael Dobbyn, Raphael Ponce, Rosemary Allardice, Mal Green, 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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MORNING TEA after 10.30am Mass in the Parish Hall hosted by Jesus the Good Shepherd.



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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

Celebrating FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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9am to 2.30pm Monday to Friday



SAINT JOSEPHS
ST JOSEPHS CATHOLIC CHURCH TAKAPUNA

Fifth Sunday of Easter - 18th May 2025

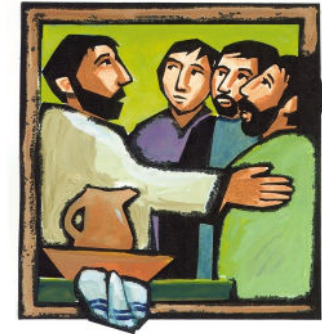
Liturgy of the Word

Acts of Apostles 14:21-27

Paul and Barnabas complete a 1st missionary journey

Psalms 144

I will give you glory
O God my King
I will bless your name forever
I will bless you day after day.



You are kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good you are, Lord, to all,
compassionate to all your creatures.

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God,
to make known to all your mighty deeds
and the glorious splendour of your reign.

Yours is an everlasting kingdom;
your rule lasts from age to age.

Book of Revelation - Apocalypse 21:1-5

Heaven! City of peace! .. beautiful
as a bride .. All is made new!

John 13:31-35

Jesus' farewell commandment!
'love ... as I have loved you'

PIVOT OF NEWNESS

Who would have thought
you would take this uncredentialed
Galilean rabbi
to be pivot of newness in the world?

Who would have thought that you -
God of Gods and Lord of Lords -
would fasten on someone
whom the world scorns
to turn creation to your newness?

We ask for freedom and courage to
move from our nicely arranged security
into dangerous places of newness
where we fear to go.

Cross us by the cross
that we may be Easter marked.

WALTER BRUEGGEMANN

PRIESTS' ASSEMBLY - Priests of the Auckland Diocese will gather in Assembly from 26th - 29th May at Waitangi in the Bay of Islands, to discuss pastoral plans for our diocese, in the light of Synodality. From Tuesday 27th May to Thursday 29th May the 9:15am Mass at St Joseph's will be replaced with a Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion.

ENGAGED / PLANNING A WEDDING? CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND – MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE
Book your Course early - preferably 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 M: 021 02247442

PENTECOST CELEBRATION ON JUNE 8TH from 1.30pm - 4pm at St Lukes Catholic Church, Flatbush.
Organised by Currents of Grace Auckland. Everyone welcome. Praise and Worship, Mass, Cuppa, Fellowship and Prayer Ministry.

NEW TO OUR PARISH? Kindly sign up directly on our website: <https://takapunacatholic.org.nz/new-parishoner/>. Or, you can complete a paper based registration form and place it in the marked boxes located in the foyers.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - Next meeting Tuesday 20th May 10.30 am, in the room near school office. This will be our WUCWO Day - World Union of Catholic Women's Organisations: prayers and collection. Usual shared lunch, etc. For info Phone Margaret 486 3695

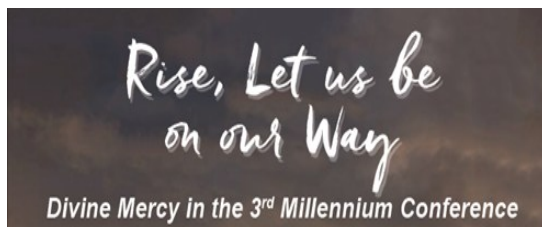
UPCOMING ANOINTING MASS - On Friday 23rd May at 11:00am at St. Joseph's. Followed by light refreshments in the hall. We are seeking volunteers to help us with the tea. Kindly email parishoffice@stjoseph.org.nz if you would like to assist.

EVERYDAY ENGLISH CLASSES HAVE STARTED AGAIN - On Wednesday 21st May at 10:00am -11:00am at St. Joseph's in the Parish Hall. Kindly email Johanna Klein johanna@klein.kiwi or call 021 658 021 if you would like more details.

THE DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE AT ROSMINI COLLEGE FROM 23-25 MAY 2025.

International speakers include Fr. Chris Alar (USA), Fr. Andrew Grace (Australia), and Sister Teresa de la Fuente from the order of St. Faustina. The conference will begin with an Opening Mass celebrated by Bishop Steve at St. Patrick's Cathedral and will focus on how we live and witness the Divine Mercy message in today's world. Details and registration:

www.divinemercyconference2025.co.nz



SAINT PADRE PIO OF PIETRELCINA - meet on the first Thurs. of every month in the St. Joseph's meeting room at 7pm. For more info contact ronhunter@xtra.co.nz. Dates: 5th Jun; 3rd Jul; 7th Aug; 4th Sep; 2nd Oct; 6th Nov & 4th Dec 2025.

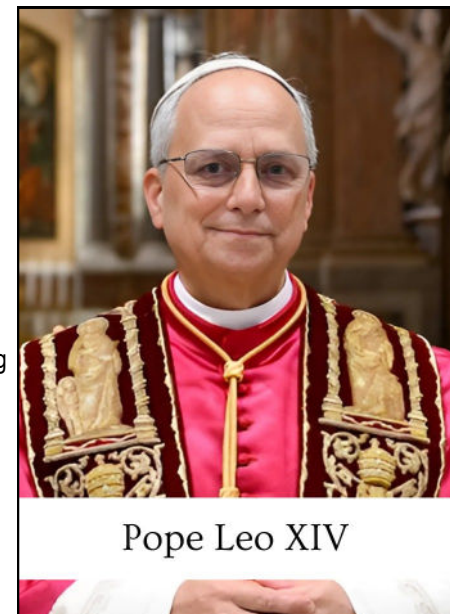
TRIAL OFFICE HOURS - Please note our new office hours. **Monday - Friday 9:00am - 2:30pm.** We are trialing these to see if they work better for you, our parishioners.

MASS INTENTIONS NOTICE - We ask that these be submitted directly to the parish office via email at parishoffice@stjoseph.org.nz.

HABEMUS PAPAM! POPE LEO XIV - On 8th of May 2025, Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost was elected as the 267th pope of the Catholic Church, taking the name Pope Leo XIV. The full biography can be found on our website [HERE](#).

But, what has our Pope been up to in his first week? Pope Leo appeals for no more war in first Sunday address. Reflecting on current conflicts, the newly selected pontiff called for a "lasting peace" in the war in Ukraine, a ceasefire in Gaza, and welcomed Saturday's agreement to end recent hostilities between India and Pakistan. He said he was "deeply hurt" by events in Gaza, expressed hope for a "lasting accord" between India and Pakistan, and wished for an "authentic, true and lasting peace" in Ukraine. The Pope also recited the Regina Caeli prayer, in honour of the Virgin Mary, to the crowd in St Peter's Square.

The full article from the BBC can be found [HERE](#)



Pope Leo XIV

ST JOSEPH'S BAPTISM PROGRAMME -Are you looking to get your child baptised? You need to enroll in our baptism sacramental programme. Available dates for upcoming baptisms are:

- ◆ Saturday 14th & 28th June 2025
- ◆ Saturday 12th & 26th July 2025
- ◆ Saturday 23rd August 2025
- ◆ Saturday 13th & 27th September 2025

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



PREFERENCE ENROLMENT FORMS - The Church is here to play a supporting role to the Catholic Diocese and Schools when it comes to preference enrolment. Kindly refer to the following link for information around the enrolment process & your relevant school: [Catholic Schools - Catholic Diocese of Auckland](#).

We will be holding an open half hour on **Tuesday 20th May from 10:30am -11:00am** in the parish office.

LOST PROPERTY - A number of items have been handed into the office as they have been left behind after mass. If you think they belong to you please come and take a look during office hours. Many thanks

DONATION TAX RECEIPTS - These were emailed on 15th April 2025 to the email addresses on the Parish database. If your receipt doesn't appear in your inbox, please check your spam mail. Thank you for your generous contributions to our Parish. Any queries regarding your donation receipt, please email finance@stjoseph.org.nz

HOSPITALITY TEAM - We are looking for volunteers to be a part of our hospitality team here at St. Joseph's. This is for all types of events where we need extra hands to help with set up, serving and clean up. If you are interested, please send your details to the parish office via email at parishoffice@stjoseph.org.nz.