

*Next Sunday 11th May 2025 - Fourth Sunday of Easter*

**First: Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52**

**Psalm: 99**

**Second: Book of the Apocalypse 7:9...17**

**Gospel: John 10:27-30**

**PRAYER** In charity we pray for those who died recently, Julie Fleming, Noel Mabutias, Brian McCloy, Keitha Smith, Bishop Owen Dolan, Gerardo Reyes, Carmelita P Castro & Jose P Morales Jr and for Mary Gore, John Porter, Dr. Jeffrey Escario, Francis Xavier & Philomina Celine Xavier 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 Missionary Families of Christ - North Shore Unit.



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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 THIRD SUNDAY of EASTER** <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Celebrating-THIRD-SUNDAY-of-EASTER-1.pdf>

**Am I a FIREMAN YET!** <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Am-I-A-Fireman-Yet-2.pdf>

[www.takapunacatholic.org.nz](http://www.takapunacatholic.org.nz)

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10am to 3.30pm Monday to Friday



**SAINT JOSEPHS**  
ST JOSEPHS CATHOLIC CHURCH TAKAPUNA

*Third Sunday of Easter - 4th May 2025*

#### Liturgy of the Word

##### Acts of the Apostles 5:28-32. 40-41

Apostles are arrested for witnessing to the Risen Jesus!

##### Psalm 29

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave.

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts but a moment; his favour all through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn.

The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help. For me you have changed my mourning into dancing; O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever.

##### The book of the Apocalypse 5:11-14

The Christ vision! Jesus is the 'living heart' of human and world history!

##### John 21:1-19

A final Easter appearance - St Peter (and all disciples) are commissioned to 'love, obey and serve'

#### WE DO NOT WANT TO BE ARRESTED

There is, we discover late and often, an arresting quality about your word to us.

We do not want to be arrested or even pause, for our days are planned out. And certainly we do not want to be arrested by the authorities, not for speeding, not for trespassing, not for shop-lifting, surely not for truth-telling.

Minister to us in our cowardice and timidity. Set us to be as bold as you are true, to meet the authorities who resist and arrest... our ancient mothers, our old convictions, powerful ordaining committees.

We bid mercy for those of our faith who this day are arrested for truth-telling; Your word is truth, and we live by it, frightened or bold, free or not, in the manner of His own life among us.



WALTER BRUEGGEMANN

LET US KEEP WORKING THROUGH THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS. FOR THE MONTH OF MAY: POPE FRANCIS WISHED US TO THINK & PRAYER FOR WORKING CONDITIONS - Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized. [The Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2025 | USCCB](#)



**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 or your generous contributions to our Parish. Any queries about donation receipt, please email [finance@stjoseph.org.nz](mailto:finance@stjoseph.org.nz)

**ANNUAL SEMINARIAN APPEAL – SUNDAY, 11 MAY 2025** Envelopes are available in the foyers. Bishop Steve Lowe asks us to support our seminarians studying towards their priestly vocations at Holy Cross Seminary. Donate at [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/donate](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/donate). Please continue to pray for our seminarians.

**DATABASE UPDATE FOR EXISTING & NEW PARISHIONERS** – We are updating our database and we need your help! This is taking place **before and after all Masses on Sunday 4th, 18th & 25th May in the foyers at Takapuna & Milford.**

**For existing parishioners:** We will have volunteers located in the foyers before and after the Masses, to assist you with updating your details on iPads. We will also have paper based registration forms for anyone who is not comfortable working on the iPad. Please check your details are correct.

**For new parishioners or those not registered on our Parish roll:** kindly sign up directly on our website: <https://takapunacatholic.org.nz/new-parishioner/> or scan the QR code: Alternatively, you can complete a paper based registration form and give it back to one of our volunteers.



*Rise, Let us be  
on our Way*  
*Divine Mercy in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Millennium Conference*

**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](http://www.divinemercyconference2025.co.nz)

**SVDP MONTHLY COLLECTION** - The collection will be held after all masses at St Joseph's this weekend. Thank you for your generosity. We are also looking for volunteers to help deliver food parcels. Please call 021 088 67844 or email: [svdptakapuna@gmail.com](mailto:svdptakapuna@gmail.com)

**MASS INTENTIONS NOTICE** - We ask that all Mass intentions be submitted directly to the parish office via email at [ea@stjoseph.org.nz](mailto:ea@stjoseph.org.nz).

**SERVICE TO MARK THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE END OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR IN EUROPE** - with Prayers for World Peace. Sunday 11 May 2025, 5.00pm to 6.30pm. Holy Trinity Cathedral, 446 Parnell Road, Parnell, Auckland.

**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

**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 2025 to Harjeet on 021 0303 459

**THE PRAYER TREE** - We are a group of people who pray for the needs of our community. Please feel free to contact Sue Morgan if you would like us to pray for you. [Swmorg@xtra.co.nz](mailto:Swmorg@xtra.co.nz) or 027 200 8791.

**THE NEXT CATHOLIC SINGLES 30s & 40s MEETUP FOR THE YEAR WILL BE HELD ON 10 MAY** - At 7:15pm, we will meet at the Stardome Observatory to take a closer look at the night sky through the Zeiss telescope: [Zeiss Telescope Experience | Stardome Observatory and Planetarium](#). You will need to book your ticket via the above link - do note that these sessions sell out super quick! RSVP here: [Stardome meetup](#)

**LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR, ST. JOSEPH'S HOME & HOSPITAL IN HERNE BAY** - Are looking for volunteers to take our Residents on a weekly drive. The vehicle is a manual gear Ford Transit Van, 11-seater with a hoist at the back for the embarking & disembarking of our residents. Call Sister Maureen on 09361 4600.

**ANNUAL ROTARY CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT THURS. 8TH OF MAY 2025** - In support of a much needed De Paul House Early Childhood Centre (ECE) and Community Learning Centre (CLC). Team entry costs are \$500 for a team of 4, Hole Sponsor costs \$750 for signage on a Hole & includes a team of 4 players. Opportunities to promote your business by donating goods & services for raffles and auction. Tony Costello - Organiser. Phone: 021323190; [tony@sanzi.co.nz](mailto:tony@sanzi.co.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](#). To make an appointment for your preference enrolment form to be endorsed, please visit our [website](#) or make a booking [HERE](#).

**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](mailto:pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz).

**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](mailto:gerrys@cda.org.nz) M: 021 02247442

**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. **Contact: Joh at [jcogle@xtra.co.nz](mailto:jcogle@xtra.co.nz) for more info.**