

Next Sunday 29 August - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First: Deuteronomy 4:1...8

PSALM: 15

Second: Letter of St James 1:17....27

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

PRAYER IN CHARITY WE PRAY FOR Jocelyn Hose **who died recently** and Ted Hurtubise, John McKay **whose anniversaries occur**

PRAYER FOR THE SICK Gerard McNaughten, Corazon Azon, Mary-Beth Gales-Mitchell, Sister Margaret Browne RSM, Sonia Lewis, Jean Ulberg, Graeme Robson, Tony & Bernadette, Ryan, Heather Gannon, Troy Angelo Madrigal, Celia McLoughlin, Chris McEntee, Annabelle Sia, Cath Mallon, Anne White, Clara Jung- Hwang, Paige Donovan-Smith, Gladys Lloyd, Elizabeth Hennelly, Esme Commissaris, Janina Collett, Rima Bennett and Belinda Chamassian, Jesus Fernando

During our Lockdown....

*May our faithful God bless us with unfolding love that we become more aware of each day.
May God bless us with the grace to live with contradiction and uncertainty. Let us all take care, be safe, be connected, be kind.*

PRAY MASS
SUNDAYS AT 2PM ON
SHINE TV
Free-to-air TV Channel 25
Sky TV Channel 201

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Sunday Mass Times: Saturday 5pm, Sunday 7.30am, 10.30am, 6pm

Youth Mass 3rd Sunday at 6pm

Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday 9.15am

Saturday Mass 9.00am 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 - Sunday 9am, Monday to Friday 10am. No Mass on Saturday.

Sacrament of Penance and Exposition - after Mass on Friday

Korean Community Mass - every Saturday at 7.30pm

Filipino Community Mass - every 4th Sunday at 4.00pm

Lady Allum Home - 3rd Tuesday of month at 11am

NORTH SHORE HOSPITAL MASS

First Sunday of month: 11.00am

ST JOHN PAUL II - Holy Cross Anglican Church

222 Dairy Flat Highway, Albany, (access via Oteha Valley Rd.

Extension) **Mass** - Sunday at 5.30pm



22 August 2021

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The book of JOSHUA 24:1-8

God's people renew the covenant to serve God faithfully

PSALM 33

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad.

The Lord turns his face against the wicked
to destroy their remembrance from the earth.
The Lord turns his eyes to the just
and his ears to their appeal.

They call and the Lord hears
and rescues them in all their distress.
The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;
those whose spirit is crushed he will save.

Many are the trials of the just man
but from them all the Lord will rescue him.
He will keep guard over all his bones,
not one of his bones shall be broken.

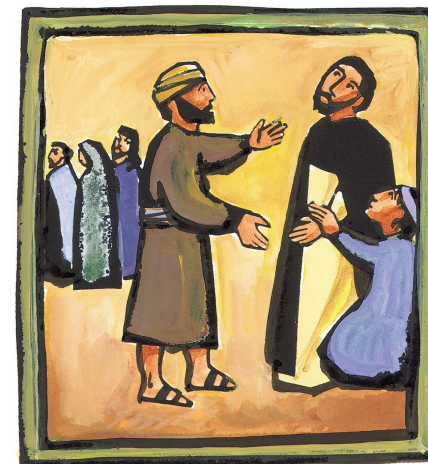
Evil brings death to the wicked;
those who hate the good are doomed.
The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.
Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.

Letter to EPHESIANS 5:21-32

*Christ Jesus as 'bridegroom'
to his baptised people*

JOHN 6:60-69

*Jesus challenges his followers ...
Peter accepts Him
as the 'Holy One of God'*



CHOOSING TO STAY

*Both Joshua and Jesus
respected peoples freedom of choice.*

*They knew past choices become tired
and can die from being set aside.*

*Our earlier choice for God
must be kept fresh and alive
by new commitment
again and again.*

*Each year at Easter
we renew the promises
of our baptism—into—Christ.*

*Decisions in faith
can never be settled once & for all!*

*Jesus' apostles do what we must do:
keep on choosing Him,
and staying with the one who has
the message of eternal life.*

*We are a chosen people ..
.. we are also a choosing people.*

During Covid level 4, there are no public Masses celebrated, and the churches at Takapuna and Milford remain closed – as does the parish office.

Our priests and our deacon Mark are available to serve and to respond to important situations, and can be contacted on 09 489 6338.

Sunday Mass from St Joseph's will be available for you on our parish website www.takapunacatholic.org.nz and Facebook page.

FROM DIOCESAN PASTORAL OFFICE RESOURCES IN TIMES OF LOCKDOWN

The diocese has a number of resources available on its website to support people during this time <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/home-2020-new-design/the-church-and-covid-level-4/>

A reminder that the diocese continues to provide broadcast Sunday Mass. It is uploaded at 5.30pm Saturday night (as per a Vigil Mass time) to the Youtube channel Auckland Catholic <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCb7o1XYfQet-mOW1mJSzfow> It is also broadcast on Shine TV Sundays at 2.00pm Free-to-air TV Channel 25, Sky TV Channel 201.

LITURGY CONFERENCE - WORSHIPPING UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES: Weaving together liturgy and life. Open to all who celebrate Mass. Come – be present, be filled, be renewed! 7th – 9th October Venue: Baradene College of the Sacred Heart, Remuera Auckland. Visit wuss.org.nz for more information.

REJOICE | AUCKLAND CATHOLIC FESTIVAL 2021 | SATURDAY 16 OCTOBER

Rejoice Auckland Catholic Festival is a time for people of all ages to rejoice and celebrate our Catholic faith. Registrations are now open for individuals, families, groups, and volunteers at: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/festival/> Posters in a variety of languages are available for download from the website.

Rejoice in TRUTH | Youth & Young Adult Festival

On Saturday evening 16 October there will be a Festival for teens and young adults exploring Rejoice in TRUTH. In a world of uncertainties, we are seeking now more than ever; what is real, what is good, what is true. This night is about diving deeper, it is about letting go and letting Christ in. Join us in this space where we are going to explore the question of not what, but who is the truth?

The information evening providing detail about the Rejoice Festival set for next Monday has been postponed while we await further details of how widespread the current Covid outbreak is. We will provide an update in this newsletter next week. Please note that the Festival will only go ahead if we are back at Covid Level 1.

ROLE VACANCY: DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER, NZ CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE

The Deputy Executive Officer provides support for the work of the Catholic Bishops and their agencies at national level in the Catholic Church in Aotearoa New Zealand. This role is based at the Catholic Centre, Hill St, Wellington. Visit: www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/nzcbc-deputyeo/ for more information.

THE LEGION OF MARY founded in Ireland on 7th September 1921 celebrates its 100 years of giving glory to God through our Blessed Mother, by making its members holy through prayer and active co-operation in the Church's apostolic work. Join with us in this celebration to a Novena Day of Prayer and Opening Mass at St Michael's parish | 6 Beatrice Road, Remuera | Thursday 2 September @ 7:15PM. Then we will have the Centenary full day celebrations at St Michael's on Saturday 11th September 2021 | 8:30AM – 4:30PM, with the Centenary Mass at 11:00 AM, inspirational Talk Series throughout the day | Food and Religious Item Sales.

COUNSELLOR – CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

To view the full job advert and the position description, please visit the Diocesan website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz under Diocesan Services and Staff Vacancies.



PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH
Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed
Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy,
and courage, and defend us
from every evil. Amen.

Source: from the Apostolic Letter "Patris Corde" (With a Father's Heart)
by Pope Francis

HELP WANTED

The Pontifical Society of St Peter the Apostle, one of the Pope's missionary arms, currently supports 75,000 seminarians training in third world countries. The Church in NZ has been blessed by priests from the Philippines, Indonesia, India and Uganda serving our people. Can you offer a donation or financial support for this work? Donate to MissionNZ 02 0506 0022477 025 or use the envelope at the entrance to the church.

Auckland LifeTeen Summer Camp Expressions of Interest.

Lifeteen Summer Camp has come to Auckland! For the first time ever, Auckland will be hosting its own LifeTeen summer camp and we want you there! If you are interested in serving or attending camp from the 14-18th of Jan 2022, send us an email at youth@stjoseph.org.nz so that we can start collecting names.

ST JOSEPH'S YOUTH GROUP

Save the Date: Dessert and Dance is happening on the 4th of December this year!



Click on link to view the latest **NZCatholic** kindly sent to us free of charge. <https://indd.adobe.com/view/ac3b7938-55ec-43ec-a0b9-3c02cb565718>

VINNIES SHOPS NEED HELPERS

If your New Year's Resolution is to get involved and volunteer, come and join us at either the Beach Haven or Glenfield Vinnies Op shops. We need you to help us make a difference for people in our local community by sorting and pricing donations and helping customers. You can work hours that suit you and make some new friends. Please contact Wanda – Ph: 443-5274, 021-248-0629 or glenfield.vinnies@gmail.com

DEACON MARK NAPA'S ORDINATION

Deacon Mark Napa will be ordained to the Priesthood on the 27th of November 2021, Saturday, at 11:30am at St Joseph's Church. We are requesting an Ordination Planning Group be formed. Your help would be greatly appreciated and more details when we are over our Covid restrictions.

FOOD PARCEL REQUESTS

CONTACT SVdP FOODBANK AT
0210 8867844



ALPHA RETURNS –
Alpha is a course which helps strengthen your

knowledge of our faith. It is also an opportunity to invite friends and family who are not Christians, or who are not coming to church. We begin by sharing a meal, then watch a video and finally have a time of discussion about the video we just watched. There is **no charge**.

Alpha begins on **Tuesday 31st August, 7pm in the Church Hall depending on level we are on with Covid restrictions.**

The course runs for 9 Tuesdays plus a one-day retreat on Saturday, 9th October.

To **REGISTER** contact Deacon Steve Fraser; email: stephenf@kidzcan.co.nz – Ph 021 439 407 **OR** Engelbert Dsouza; email: engelbert.dsouza@yahoo.com – Ph 021 0234 6853.

AUCKLAND CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS COMMUNITY ONLINE!

An awesome community for those who are wanting to deepen their Catholic faith. Follow their Facebook page or visit their website www.akyouth.org.nz for more info. Hang out with every Monday, 6.30pm via zoom.