Next Sunday 17th August 2025 - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First: The prophet Jeremiah 38:4...10 PSALM: 39

Second: Letter to the Hebrews 12:1-4 **Gospel:** Luke 12:49-53

PRAYER In charity we pray for Julie Valencia and Lim Soi Khim who died recently, and for Wedad Dawood whose anniversary occurs.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK Virginia Masuda, Teresa Litong, Margaretha Elizabeth Roodt, Paul O'Ryan, Anthony Webster, 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, Gladys Lloyd, Elizabeth Hennelly, Rima Bennett, Belinda Chamassian, Jane Barrita, Joanne LeFort.

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MORNING TEA after the 10:30am Mass in the Parish Hall hosted by St. Vincent de Paul.

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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 NINETEENTH SUNDAY in OT

https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Celebrating-NINETEENTH-SUNDAY-in-OT.pdf

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9am to 2.30pm Monday to Friday



LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE BOOK OF WISDOM 18:6-9

Remembering our ancestors' escape from Egypt ... God's faithfulness

PSALM 33

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. They are blessed, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own.

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

LETTER TO THE HEBREWS 11:1-2, 8-19

Faith! God inviting us to walk with him .. awaiting future blessings

GOSPEL - LUKE 12:32-48

Believe, trust God ... do not worry .. love and serve others generously

EVERY HOUR IS THE HOUR OF JESUS

We can say that every hour is the hour of Jesus.

The parable is to encourage us to be ready for him and able to recognise him in different guises and ways. The way of the Lord is wide. Like the ways of love.

SAINT IOSEPHS

ST JOSEPHS CATHOLIC CHURCH TAKAPUN

A favourite way of praying is to look back on a day, a week and see where the Lord was near. In moments of prayer, times of love, a call to help others. Or in the beauty calling on our praise or in the misuse of creation or disrespect of others that calls for our sorrow. Jesus is always near.

HUMAN AND DIVINE MIX

We can find the feelings of gratitude in our lives and recognise them, and allow ourselves to believe that all good gifts come from him. The human and the divine mix in the hour of Jesus, which is every hour, 24/7.

The Lord knocks on our door to be welcomed into our lives, and knocks on the door of our heart to get out and through each of us, bring his love to the world. This is the mystery of God – God is within, and God is all around.

Praised be God!

FR DONAL NEARY, SJ



St. Thomas More Parish, Glenfield Parish Concert for the Jubilee Year - 2025. Concert Theme: "We're As Strong As Our Faith & As Young As Our Hope."

Promises to be a Great Night of fun, reflection and fellowship as parishioners & friends showcase their gifts & talents in a variety of entertainment items to highlight the Jubilee Year – through our concert theme. We have a guest artist from Fiji to entertain us as well and refreshments will be served during the evening.

Date: Friday 22nd August, 2025

Time: 7pm - 9pm

Venue: Rosmini College Auditorium, 36 Dominion Street, Takapuna, North Shore 0622. Tickets: \$50 per

head. Tickets are available from Ethnic Group Leaders or the St. Thomas More Parish Office.

Bank Details for online payment:

Account Name: St Thomas More, Glenfield Account Number: 02-0108-0708668-003 Reference: Jubilee Concert & Ticket number

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

CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS BALL - Saturday 13 September 7pm-11pm. By popular demand, we are thrilled to bring back The Young Adults Ball 2025! With a dash of Gatsby glamour, the theme for this year is 'THE ROARING TWENTIES'. 18+ event. Standard tickets: \$130 (until August 31st or sold out). Click here to register: https://events.humanitix.com/young-adults-ball

YOUTH MARKET FUNDRAISER - Join us for a morning market on Sunday 31 August 2025 after the 10:30am Mass in the carpark just outside the church! There will be food stalls, raffles, games & fun for our community. All funds raised go towards the Life Nights & Youth Camp in January 2026. We're also welcoming donations of baked goods and food items to sell on the day. If you can contribute, please get in touch! Please note that parking will be affected on the day - with no parking permitted on the grass outside the church/ school. Overflow arrangements have been made with Rosmini school & parishioners are welcome to park there on the day. If you have any questions kindly contact Joselle Vicente - 02102640694 or youth@stjoseph.org.nz

PRAYER RETREAT FOR WOMEN - 'Prayer and the Interior Life' Friday 31st October 6pm to Sunday 2nd November 3pm 2025 - with time for Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, Personal Prayer & Spiritual Direction. Early bird registration & details here: www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz



GOT QUESTIONS ABOUT LIFE? Come and see...7 consecutive Tuesday evenings, St Joseph's Church Hall, starting on 12th August 2025, 7pm to 9pm and a retreat day on Saturday 20th Sept. 2025. Email stephenf@cda.org.nz or engelbert.dsouza@yahoo.com to register.

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 or 027 200 8791.

Music Ministry - Thursday week ago we held our inaugural Music Ministry Team Leaders' Meeting. At present we have 13 musical teams serving our parish. It was a wonderful opportunity to gather together & discuss the direction & ongoing development of our vibrant music ministry. We are immensely grateful for the great many hours our team leaders, musicians & AV projectionists give in service to ensure our Masses are enhanced with music. Thank you to you all! If you are interested in joining the music ministry please email Gabrielle music@stjoseph.org.nz

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY - On Friday 15 August 2025, we celebrate Mary's Assumption. Mary of the Assumption is Patron of NZ, thanks to Bishop Pompallier, who entrusted Aotearoa to her at his first Mass in our land in 1838. Along with Christmas, it is one of our two Holy Days of Obligation, when we try to participate in Mass.

Mass dates and times:

Thursday 14th August 2025 6:00pm St. Joseph's Church Friday 15th August 2025 9:15am St Joseph's Church

Friday 15th August 2025 10:00am St Vincent de Paul Church Milford

Friday 15th August 2025 6:00pm St Joseph's Church

PARISHIONERS USING THE EFTPOS MACHINE TO MAKE DONATIONS - For any existing parishioners who are making use of the EFTPOS machine to make a donation. Please ensure you keep your receipts so that Hendro in Finance can issue you with a tax receipt (for the last tax year). Alternatively, register on our parish roll New Parishioner Sign Up - St. Joseph's Church and opt in to the planned giving programme.

ST JOSEPH'S BAPTISM PROGRAMME -Are you looking to get your child baptised? You need to enroll in our baptism sacramental programme: https://stjoseph.org.nz/baptism/ Available baptism dates (Saturdays):

- ◆ 23rd August 2025;
- ◆ 13th & 27th September 2025. For more information kindly email pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE - who were Confirmed by Bishop Steve on Thursday evening, 7th August 2025 & who receive, Holy Communion for the first time this weekend.

St Josephs Centre Gift Shop is celebrating its 33rd Anniversary - In-Store Specials on Statues, Crucifixes, Christmas Nativities etc. For all your gifting needs visit us at St Josephs Centre Gift Shop on 1 Fred Thomas Drive, Takapuna, or go to www.stjosephscentre.co.nz

ORDER FOR THE CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA) - Used to be called Rite for the Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). The name change indicates that initiation is not just a 'rite' or a single ceremony, but a process or journey, an 'order' of walking with the Lord in Church membership. Are you interested in finding out about the Catholic Church or in joining the Church community? Come to this information session on Wednesday 13th August 2025, 6:00pm in the Parish meeting room.

PREFERENCE ENROLMENT FORMS - The Church is here to play a supporting role to the Catholic Diocese & Schools when it comes to preference enrolment. For more info around the enrolment process & your relevant school: Catholic Schools - Catholic Diocese of Auckland. We will be holding an open hour for signing of preference forms on Tuesday 19th August from 10:00am -11:00am in Father Mark's office.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - Next meeting Tues. 19 August 10.30 am, in room near school office. Hear about the Conference. Usual shared lunch. For info Ph Margaret 486 3695. EVERYDAY ENGLISH WITH JOHANNA KLEIN - All welcome! This group meets twice a month on a Wednesday in the St. Joseph's Parish Hall. For more info contact Johanna directly on 021 658 021 or johanna@klein.kiwi

THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION- The collection will be held after all masses at St Vincent de Paul this weekend. You can also make a donation here: ASB 12-3008-0043519-00. Thank you for your generosity. Do you know of anyone needing assistance? We are able to help with food, clothing or small household items. Our service is strictly confidential. Please reach out on 021 0886 7844 or email svdptakapuna@gmail.com.

NOT REGISTERED ON OUR PARISH ROLL OR NEW TO OUR PARISH? Kindly sign up directly on our website:

New Parishioner Sign Up - St. Joseph's Church.