

Next Sunday 10th August 2025 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First: The book of Wisdom 18:6-9 **PSALM:** 32
Second: Letter to the Hebrews 11:1-2.8-19 **Gospel:** Luke 12:32-48

PRAYER In charity we pray for those who died recently, Helen Dsouza and for Rosita Andres, Patricia Johnson & Margaret Johnson whose anniversaries occur.

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, Virginia Masuda.

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MORNING TEA after the 10:30am Mass in the Parish Hall hosted by Anna Joung.

St Joseph's Takapuna Parish Bank
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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 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY in OT

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

ISN'T STRANGE <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/ISNT-IT-STRANGE.pdf>

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



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9am to 2.30pm Monday to Friday

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 3rd August 2025

LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE BOOK OF ECCLESIASTES - THE PREACHER
1:2; 2:21-23

Is all we do vanity? Praise God for Jewish humour!

PSALM 89

You turn us back into dust
 and say: "Go back, children of the earth."
 To your eyes a thousand years
 are like yesterday, come and gone,
 no more than a watch in the night.

You sweep us away like a dream,
 like grass which springs up in the morning.
 In the morning it springs up and flowers;
 by evening it withers and fades.

Make us know the shortness of our life
 that we may gain wisdom of heart.
 Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
 Show pity to your servants.

In the morning, fill us with your love;
 we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
 Let the favour of the Lord be upon us;
 give success to the work of our hands.

LETTER TO COLOSSIANS 3:1-5, 9-11

We look to Christ Jesus and the things
 that are in heaven

GOSPEL - LUKE 12:13-21

Grow rich in the sight of God ... avoid greed in
 all its forms

Is that all there
 is ..? .. all is
 vanity

"As a 12 year old
 girl,
 my father took me
 to a circus - the
 greatest show on
 earth.

Clowns, elephants, dancing bears
 a beautiful lady in pink flew overhead!

I watched the marvellous spectacle
 I felt there was still more ..
 .. I didn't know what, but when
 it was over I asked
 'Is that all there is to a circus?'

If that's all there is my friends
 then lets keep dancing
 let's break out the booze, let's have a ball
 if that's all there is."

1930's SONG BY PEGGY LEE

'LET US BE CONTENT WITH THE THINGS
 THAT ARE PRESENT
 AND COMMIT OURSELVES
 INTO THE HAND OF GOD
 WHO ALONE KNOWS AND CONTROLS
 BOTH THE PAST AND THE FUTURE.'

MARTIN LUTHER SERMON ON ECCL.1526



SAINT JOSEPHS
 ST JOSEPHS CATHOLIC CHURCH TAKAPUNA





For FUN and FRIENDSHIP join the 60's Up Movement's Takapuna-Devonport Branch

St Josephs Catholic Church, 10 Dominion St, Takapuna

- We meet 3rd Thursday of every month at 10.30am.
 - Interesting speakers/entertainers
 - Weekly seniors' exercises and Rummikub
 - Movie days • Monthly bus trips • ALL WELCOME
- Go to www.60supmovement.org.nz for more info.

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

Ticket: \$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

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



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 September 2025. Email stephenf@cda.org.nz or engelbert.dsouza@yahoo.com to register

RECENT ALTAR SERVER TRAINING - This past Sunday we had altar server training run by Father Mark Bond. It was great to have such a fantastic turnout - over 43 attendees. If you have any questions or need further information about becoming an altar server - email Beatrice Tanoedjaja best2308@yahoo.com



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. 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.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY - On Friday 15 August, 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

DIACONATE ORDINATION - Parishioner, Butch Rafols was ordained as a deacon at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday 2nd August 11:00am. We will have a **celebration on Sunday 3rd August 2025** at our morning tea following the 10:30am Mass. Parishioners are welcome to come join in the festivities.

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 **Thursday 7th August from 10:00am -11:00am** in Father Mark's office.

SCHOOL BURSARY - Auckland Diocese has bursaries available to help needy Catholic families to provide their children with a Catholic school education. Kindly email parishoffice@stjoseph.org.nz to get the forms. All applications should be emailed to Viki Trainor at scholarships@cda.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/> Contact: gerrys@cda.org.nz M: 021 02247442

THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION- The collection will be held after all masses at St Joseph's 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.](#)