

**Next Sunday 19th October 2025 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**FIRST:** Book of Exodus 17:8-13      **PSALM:** 120  
**SECOND:** 2nd letter to Timothy 3:14-4:2      **GOSPEL:** Luke 18:1-8

**PRAYER in charity we pray for those who died recently, and for Theresa Sluyter, Karen Stansfield & Charles Neville 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, Sahlee Q. Tayag.

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**Morning Tea - In the hall after the 10:30am Mass hosted by St. Vincent de Paul.**

**St Joseph's Takapuna Parish Bank  
Account No. 02 - 0108 - 0706814 - 000**

**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 TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY in OT**

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/Celebrating-TWENTY-EIGHTH.pdf>

**WHEN YOU THOUGHT I WASN'T LOOKING** <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/WHEN-YOU-THOUGHT-I-WASNT-LOOKING.pdf>

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

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9am to 2.30pm Monday to Friday



**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 12th October 2025 -  
Day of Prayer to support life**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**2ND BOOK OF THE KINGS 5:14-17**

A foreign army commander Naaman, is healed of leprosy in the 'Holy Land'

**PSALM 97**

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation.

The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy.

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord.

**2ND LETTER TO TIMOTHY 2:8-13**

St Paul, chained in a Roman prison, rejoices that God's word cannot be chained

**GOSPEL - LUKE 17:11-19**

Jesus' love for outcasts and foreigners as he heals their leprosy



**YOU GIVE ... AND WE RECEIVE**

We are your people ... We come with our several eating disorders, trembling lips, needy hands, fallen faces, quiet in despair. Because we do not have what we

need, by ourselves—to make a future. And so we ask. And you give! Generously, abundantly, inexplicably.

You give more than we ask or think or need, enough for all our futures, enough for joy, enough for well-being beyond our trembling neediness.

You give ... and we receive...

We receive and sometime we covet and own and possess.

We receive and imagine it is our purchase.

We receive your good gifts like property.

We receive and want more.

You give ... and we receive

Sometimes we only thank in amazement,

Sometimes we yield in gratitude.

Sometimes we turn our joy into sacrifice and give back.

Sometimes we become more fully yours in obedience and gladness.

And now is some such sometime.

Walter Brueggemann

### SUNDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2025 - PRAYER TO SUPPORT LIFE

Lord, you call us, your pilgrim people,  
to be people of life and for life;  
to journey in confidence  
towards "a new heaven and a new earth"  
that is characterised by a commitment  
to the infinite dignity of every person.

Lord, look down upon the vast numbers of those  
whose human dignity is daily being violated by war,  
poverty, exploitation, physical and emotional  
violence, premature death, abuse, prejudice and  
neglect.

Grant that we who believe in you  
may proclaim the Gospel of life  
in what we think, say and do.

Obtain for us the grace to accept the Gospel as a gift  
ever new, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude,  
and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely  
so as to build, together with all people of good will,  
a world of justice, mercy, truth, compassion and love.

To the praise and glory of God,  
the Creator and lover of all life. Inspired by & drawn from: *Evangelium Vitae - The Gospel of Life* (Pope St John Paul II, 1995); and *Dignitas Infinita* (Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith, 2024).

**WELCOME FR DANIEL!** Fr Daniel Kulangara will join the parish staff this coming week, transferring from St Patrick's Cathedral. From India, he has ministered in Auckland diocese for about two years. He is a priest of the Syro-Malankara rite, & celebrates Mass each Sunday at Ponsonby with people of that rite. He has learnt also to celebrate Confessions & Mass according to the Roman rite. Welcome to St Joseph's parish!

### AUCKLAND MARATHON ROAD CLOSURES - Sun. 2nd November 2025.

Road closures will be in place on Taharoto Rd & Anzac St from 5:30am-10:30am. We will maintain access to St Joseph's via the back entrance on Fred Thomas Dr. Access to Fred Thomas Dr is via Esmonde Rd. The Northcote Rd & Taharoto Rd intersection is closed on race-day, so if any parishioners are coming from further north, then it is still recommended that they access Fred Thomas Dr via Esmonde Rd. See the notice boards or email [aucklandmarathon@ironman.com](mailto:aucklandmarathon@ironman.com).

**WE ARE DELIGHTED TO WELCOME TO OUR MASSES PEOPLE WITH MOBILITY CHALLENGES** - Those with walking difficulties usually sit close to the altar, so that Holy Communion can be brought to them in their seats, first. If you wish to sit further down the church, ask someone near you to alert a Communion minister, who will be happy to take you Holy Communion in your seat.



**MASS INTENTIONS NOTICE** -  
Email these directly to  
[parishoffice@stjoseph.org.nz](mailto:parishoffice@stjoseph.org.nz).

**COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2026** -  
On sale now for \$15 from the  
Parish office.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE** -  
Next meeting - our AGM -  
Tuesday 21 October 10.30, in  
room near school office. Usual  
shared lunch, etc. For info Ph  
Margaret 486 3695

**NEW TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH?** -  
Whether you're new to our  
Church or have been with us for  
a while, we'd love to help you  
take your next step in belonging  
and building our vibrant  
community. If you are not yet  
registered - Kindly sign up  
directly on our website: [New Parishioner Sign Up - St. Joseph's Church](#).

**PLEASE GIVE YOUR FEEDBACK** -  
As part of the NOPS  
commitment to ensuring a safe  
environment for all, they are  
carrying out a review of key  
safeguarding documents. They  
are currently reviewing the  
'Safeguarding Policy: Working  
Together for a Safe Church' &  
the 'Code of Conduct for  
Employees & Volunteers in  
Ministry in the Catholic Church'.  
They welcome & encourage you  
to submit feedback through their  
[Reviews page](#), with submissions  
open until **31 October 2025**.

2025 Christmas Novena Mass Schedule	
15-19 December	6:30PM
20 December	5:00 PM
21 December	6:00 PM
22 - 23 December	6:30 PM

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES ON THE TABLES IN THE CHURCH FOYER** - Please continue to collect your envelope. They are still available in the foyers. If there is not an envelope for you, it is because you may not be registered on the parish roll. Kindly register here: [New Parishioner Sign Up - St. Joseph's Church](#)

**AS WE CELEBRATED ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI, PATRON SAINT OF ANIMALS LAST WEEKEND WITH A BLESSING FOR OUR PETS** - We wanted to thank all the pets for bringing their owners with them to the blessing. The weather held out for us and the animals appreciated the attention. Thank you to Father Mark for blessing all our beautiful creatures!



**SIP IN STYLE, GIVE WITH HEART** - Please join us on Fri. 17th October 2025 6:30pm for an evening of wine, nibbles and meaningful discussions with Hon Barbara Edmonds at Carmel College, Milford. All proceeds will go towards supporting our mahi for families and seniors in housing crisis. Admission is \$100 per person. RSVP [admin@depaulhouse.org.nz](mailto:admin@depaulhouse.org.nz)

**A NIGHT AT THE CONCLAVE WITH CARDINAL JOHN DEW** - St Mary's College, 7.30pm, Friday 21 Nov. 2025 Discover the mystery of the Papal Conclave through Cardinal John's unique insights. All proceeds support the Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph. Details & tickets: <https://events.humanitix.com/conclave>

**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 school: [Catholic Schools - Catholic Diocese of Auckland](#). We will be holding an open hour for signing of preference forms on **Tuesday 14th October 2025 from 10:00am -11:00am** in the parish office.

**ST JOSEPH'S BAPTISM PROGRAMME** -Are you looking to get your child baptised? You need to enroll in our baptism sacramental programme on our website: <https://stjoseph.org.nz/baptism/>.

For more info. email Edwin Macmac  
[pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz](mailto:pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz)  
Upcoming available baptism dates (Saturdays):  
- 29th November 2025  
- 13th December 2025 (TBC)

**MONTE CECILIA HOUSING TRUST** - provides safe, short-term housing for families in need in the South Auckland area. If any parishioners are seeking housing assistance, Contact us on 0800 624 848.