

Next Sunday 8th March 2026 - Third Sunday of Lent

FIRST: THE BOOK OF EXODUS 17:3-7 PSALM: 94
SECOND: LETTER TO THE ROMANS 5:1..8 GOSPEL: JOHN 4:5-42

PRAYER In charity we pray for Maureen Joyce Brouard who died recently, and for Timothy Webster, Anne-Marie Sakey, Patricia Page & Cyril Baker whose anniversaries occur.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK Clive McDonald, 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, Sonia Lewis, Gerard & Jane McNaughten, 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 & Teretume Amerika.

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Morning Tea - In the hall after the 10:30am Mass. Hosted by Elena Olsen & Juliet Gapultos.

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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); Wednesday 7:00pm (during Lent)
- 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 the 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 SECOND SUNDAY in LENT

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/CELEBRATING-The-Second-SUNDAY-of-LENT.pdf>

HOW TO SUFFER WELL <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/How-to-suffer-well.pdf>

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9am to 2.30pm Monday to Friday



SAINT JOSEPHS
ST JOSEPHS CATHOLIC CHURCH TAKAPUNA

Sunday 1st March 2026 - Second Sunday of Lent

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Book of GENESIS 12:1-4

Abraham and Sarah - childless - are called by God to an unknown future of blessings.

PSALM 33

For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love.

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.

2nd letter to Timothy 1:8-10

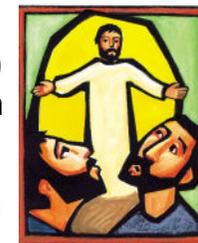
The merits of Christ - not our own, save us from sin, death.

MATTHEW 17:1-9

Jesus’ 3 friends ... Peter, James, John see him in a ‘new light’ on the mountain.

THE LIGHT, THE VOICE GUIDING US ...

Into what land of solitude, 40 days and 40 nights will you go, driven by the spirit?



May it test and strip you!

See! The times are fulfilled and God invites you to forget ancient servitudes.

On what incandescent summits will you hear the beloved speaking to you through the cloud?

Let him prepare you for his sufferings!

Follow Jesus transfigured:

Tomorrow he will be crucified to seal the covenant.

D. RIMAUD

ALMSGIVING, OR SHARING OUR MATERIAL BLESSINGS WITH THOSE IN NEED. Donate to the NZ Bishops’ Lent Appeal through Caritas the Catholic Church’s main aid and development agency. Details can be found on their website at www.caritas.org.nz/lent or by using the envelopes available at Mass. The Lenten Appeal supports poor communities overseas and in New Zealand, especially in self-development. Donations are tax deductible.

WINGS. NGA PARIRAU - FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMME - The Introductory Session will take place on **Sat. 14th March @ 10.00– 11.30am** in the St. Josephs school staffroom. This is especially designed for those who are 'shy' about their faith & would like to learn more in a gentle thoughtful way. Interested? Please register with icogle@xtra.co.nz or 021 42 99 15 [by text] for this 6-week session commencing after Easter.

LIFE TEEN AOTEAROA LEADERSHIP CONVENTION | 13-15 MARCH 2026 AT SACRED HEART COLLEGE AUCKLAND
The best place to be trained, renewed & inspired for Catholic Youth Ministry. Whether you are new to ministry, or looking for best practices to continue your ministry, this event is designed for you. Expect incredible keynotes from the Catholic speakers, practical breakout sessions, training, etc. Whether you are a priest, in parish leadership, youth minister, DRS, teacher, youth leader, college chaplain, or an interested parent. Register NOW! Earlybird prices available until 9th March: <https://www.eventbookings.com/b/event/life-teen-aotearoa-leadership-convention>

THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION- The gold coin collection will be held after all Masses this weekend at St. Joseph's Parish & next weekend at St. Vincent de Paul. **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 stvinniestakapuna@gmail.com

LIFETEEN SUMMER MISSION OPPORTUNITY– Tanna van Rensburg has been blessed with the opportunity to serve as a summer missionary at LifeTeen International's Covecrest Camp (USA) this July/Aug. As this involves overseas travel, she's seeking support to help cover costs. Any contribution would be deeply appreciated (06-0265-0713735-00. Please include your phone number so I can personally thank you).

CARMEL COLLEGE ENROLMENTS FOR 2027 - Close 13 March 2026. Questions to Jane Meurant admin@carmel.school.nz

BARADENE COLLEGE - OPEN DAY TOURS -TUESDAY 3RD, WEDNESDAY 4TH & THURSDAY 5TH MARCH 2026. BOOKINGS online REQUIRED (bookings open 9.00am Monday 23 February). Tour times: 9am and 10am each day. Book at www.baradene.school.nz – 2026 Open Day Tours Please refer to the website for booking closing times for each day. Enrolments for Year 7, 2027 and for limited places in other Year levels are being accepted now and will close at 3pm on Friday 13 March, 2026.

ST MARY'S COLLEGE 2027 ENROLMENTS & OPEN DAY EVENT - St Mary's College enrolments for 2027 are now open, and our Annual Open Day will be held on Thursday, 26 March. 11 New Street, Ponsonby, Auckland. We have no zoning restrictions & invite you to submit your application online. Visit www.stmaryak.school.nz for more information. Alternatively, email enrolments@stmaryak.school.nz

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION & MASS - on Friday 6th March 7:00pm at St Mary's Parish, 20 Kiteui Ave, Mt Albert. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy Sung, Benediction, Mass, followed by Veneration of St Faustina's relic. All Welcome.

SEEKING MINISTERS - ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, MILFORD. We are seeking new Ministers of the Word & those who would like to get involved in flower arranging for our Milford church. Training will be provided after Lent. Email parishoffice@stjoseph.org.nz to put your name forward.

GREAT CATHOLIC RESOURCES AT THE ST JOSEPH'S GIFT SHOP - Come see us at our new location in Albany Village (Opposite Albany Toyota) or visit us www.stjosephscentre.co.nz to see our Lent and Easter Catalogue. Supplying quality Christian & Catholic products for every need. 253 Dairy Flat Highway, Albany, Auckland 0632. 09 489 5613 | 0221392093



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - On behalf of St George's Presbyterian Church Takapuna, we warmly invite you to join us for the World Day of Prayer that we are hosting this year. This special gathering will be a meaningful time of united prayer, worship, & fellowship as we join Christians around the world in lifting our hearts together before the Lord. We would be honoured to have you stand with us in this shared expression of faith and unity.

Date: Friday 6 March 2026

Time: 11am **Location:** St George's Presbyterian Church Takapuna – 2 The Terrace, Takapuna.

Theme: I will give you rest, come.



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.](#)

ST JOSEPH'S BAPTISM PROGRAMME - Looking to get your child baptised? You need to enroll in our baptism programme: <https://stjoseph.org.nz/baptism/>. Baptisms dates available for 2026 **Sat. 25th April; 23rd May; 27th June.** For more info. email Edwin Macmac pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz.

PILGRIMAGE FROM FATIMA TO ROME - 25 September to 17 October 2026. Fatima – Salamanca – Burgos – Lourdes – Paris – Venice - Padua – Assisi - Rome. Chaplain: Monsignor David Tonks. Details from Laura Yap laura.yap@travelmanagers.co.nz or 021 390 055

YOU ARE CHOSEN - A LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR. Sat. 14 March - Sun. 15 March St Joseph's Church Parish Hall; 9:00am - 4:00pm both days. Deepen your relationship with God through the Holy Spirit. All are welcome! Time for teaching, worship, prayer, fellowship and activities. Register at bit.ly/ur-chosen

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING - Open to all new & existing altar servers. These sessions will be held on **Sun. 1st March** after the 10:30am Mass in the church & **Sat. 7th March** at 11:00am in the church. Kindly contact Blanca Ortañez if you have any questions regarding this programme: blancagrace@yahoo.com

ROSARY & NOVENA - MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP. Every Wed. 5:30PM St. Vincent de Paul, Milford. Contact Sue 021 156 9965.

CATHNEWS NEW ZEALAND shares the big news from the Church & stories of relevance every Tues & Fri. Sign up for the free digital newsletter at cathnewsnz.com

LENTEN PROGRAMME TALKS

To be held in the Hall on Thursdays

- ◆ 5 March 2026 7pm with Marguerite Sakey & Robb Donze
- ◆ 12 March 2026 7pm
- ◆ 19 March 2026 – Mass at 7pm & refreshments in the Hall afterwards to celebrate **ST. JOSEPH PARISH FEAST DAY**
- ◆ 26 March 2026 7pm

UPCOMING LENTEN PROGRAMME

- ◆ Extra Mass for Lent every Wednesday evening: 4, 11, 18 & 25 March, 1 April 2026 at 7pm.
- ◆ Rite II Reconciliation: Tuesday 24th March 2026 at 7pm.
- ◆ Lenten programme talks every Thursday: 5, 12 & 26 March; at 7pm.
- ◆ Stations of the Cross every Friday: 6, 13, 20 & 27 March 2026 at 7pm.
- ◆ St. Joseph's School Stations of the Cross Friday: 3rd April 2026 at 10:00am.
- ◆ Anointing Mass: Friday 13 March 11:00am.