

Next Sunday 5th July 2026 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST: BOOK OF ZECHARIAH 9:9-10 PSALM: 145  
SECOND: LETTER TO THE ROMANS 8:9, 11-13 GOSPEL: MATTHEW 11:25-30

PRAYER In charity we pray for Corazon Andales & Joan Molloy who died recently; and for Lilly Francis & Clive Auckram whose anniversaries occur.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK Carol McBeth, Clive McDonald, Virginia Masuda, Teresa Litong, Margaretha Elizabeth Roodt, Anthony Webster, , Marcia Healy, Maria Wang, Maria Jia, Jon Cruz, Francis Lionnet, Denis Trotman, 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, Sev Domingo, Anicia Domingo, Hendrik Churr, Imelda Campaña, Fatima Angelica Campaña & Emmett Mackle.

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Morning Tea - Hosted by Aberer George & Family in the hall after 10:30am Mass.

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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 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 THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY in OT

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/CELEBRATING-THE-THIRTEENTH-SUNDAY-in-OT.pdf>

**5 WAYS CARLO ACUTIS IS AN ESSENTIAL INFLUENCE** <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/5-Ways-Carlo-Acutis-is-an-essential-influence-for-today.pdf>

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 9am to 2.30pm Monday to Friday



**SAINT JOSEPHS**  
ST JOSEPHS CATHOLIC CHURCH TAKAPUNA

Sunday 28th June 2026 - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### BOOK OF KINGS 2 KINGS 4:8-12A, 14-16

This is a holy man of God; let him rest here.

### Psalm 89

I sing your love all my days, Lord,  
your faithfulness, from age to age.  
I know your love is unending,  
your fidelity outlasts the heavens.

"I, God, covenant with my chosen one,  
I swear to David, my servant,  
to establish your house for ever,  
To uphold your throne, from age to age."

How your people rejoice!  
You summon us into your light.  
Lord, your name is our joy,  
And your justice, our strength.

### LETTER TO THE ROMANS 6:3-4, 8-11

When we were baptised we went into the tomb  
with Christ, so that we too might live a new life.

### GOSPEL— MATTHEW 10:37-42

"Anyone who loses their life for my sake will find it."

## REFLECTION

Today's Gospel is the conclusion of the instructions and consolations that we have heard Jesus offering to his disciples during the past few weeks. In this passage, Jesus summarizes both the costs of discipleship and its rewards. The conditions of discipleship outlined in Matthew's Gospel may appear harsh.

Yet they underline for us a truth - choosing anything with one's whole heart has consequences. Choosing life with Christ means that every relationship we have must be understood from a new perspective.

Today's Gospel also highlights for us the importance of hospitality in the Christian life. To welcome another in Jesus' name is to extend hospitality to Jesus himself. We have many opportunities in our daily life to reach out to others, to be a welcoming presence and a sign of God's love.

Source: *Loyola Express*



**MATARIKI CELEBRATION** - Please join us as we come together on Friday 10th July 2025 to celebrate Matariki Day at the 9:15am Mass at St. Joseph's Church, Takapuna. All welcome! Image credit (left): The Pleiades (Seven Sisters), by Dylan O'Donnell, from deography.com. [Public Domain](https://www.deography.com)

## NOTICES FROM THE DIOCESE

**CLERGY JUBILEE MASS** - Parishioners are invited join the priests for the Clergy Jubilee Mass on Tuesday 30 June at 11am at Christ the King Parish, Owaraka.

**FR PAUL TURNER ARS CELEBRANDI WORKSHOP - SATURDAY 25TH JULY 2026.** The NZ Catholic Bishops Conference invites parish liturgy teams, school staff, deacons, & all involved in liturgy preparation to an Ars Celebrandi Workshop with international liturgist Fr Paul Turner. The workshop will explore the art of celebrating the liturgy with reverence & understanding, with practical sessions focused on the Eucharist and the celebration of Mass. **Venue:** Christ the King Church **Time:** Parish Mass at 9am | Sessions 10am–2.30pm Tea provided. Please bring your own lunch. Register at: [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/paul-turner/](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/paul-turner/). Let Donna-Mari know if you're going so we can car-pool.

**WYD 2027 WEBINARS** - In preparation for World Youth Day 2027 in Seoul Korea, Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College invites young people & everyone to grow in their faith, hope and missionary discipleship, with this year's webinar series, "Take Courage! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). More information at [www.tekupenga.ac.nz/webinars-2026](http://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/webinars-2026)

**WORLD YOUTH DAY AUCKLAND 2026** -10:00am-8:30pm Saturday **1st August**. Join over 1,800 young Catholics for a joy-filled day of faith, community, & witness at Victory Convention Centre. This year's World Youth Day invites young people to fix their gaze on Jesus & become courageous witnesses in today's world. <https://events.humanitix.com/world-youth-day-auckland-2026>

**ALL MEN ARE INVITED TO THE JOSHUA 40-YEAR CELEBRATION WEEKEND!** Fri. pm 14 August to Sun midday 16 August 2026. Keswick Christian Camp, 5 Cooper Ave, Holden's Bay, Rotorua. Keynote Speaker: Robert Falzon, Leader of Australia's menALIVE and Author of "Importance of a Present Dad". \$247pp including accommodation & meals. Contact Mike Lobo (021) 2809285 or Greg Sullivan (021) 437747 or visit <https://menforchrist.wufoo.com/forms/joshua-40th-anniversary-celebration-rotorua>

**Diocesan Youth Mass** - Last Sunday of each month 4:30pm February - November. At St Patrick's Cathedral, 43 Wyndham Street, Auckland [youthmin@cda.org.nz](mailto:youthmin@cda.org.nz) or see their Facebook page: @AKCYM

**ALPHA IN THE CATHOLIC CONTEXT** - Is presenting a series locally on Why Alpha in our parishes, How it will help & How it will generate vibrancy in our parishes. All are welcome to attend any one or more. You can register here: [Training Zoom for Alpha in a Catholic Context – Fill out form](#). Contact [Clare@alpha.org.nz](mailto:Clare@alpha.org.nz) or [stephenf@cda.org.nz](mailto:stephenf@cda.org.nz) - **22nd July** 7pm What is Alpha and who is it for?; - **19th August** 7pm Where does Alpha fit in the life of the Parish?; - **16th September** 7pm How to take your Alpha from good to great.

**THE BEGINNING EXPERIENCE** - A weekend away to help those suffering the heartache of Separation, Divorce, or Widowhood on **21-23 August**. We are non-profit organisation that provides support for the grieving single again, & offers an opportunity to turn the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth. The cost for 2 nights' accommodation, meals, and materials and follow up event is \$350; early bird cost \$325 if paid by 8 July 2026. Contact Karena evenings on 021802352. [www.beginningexperience.org.nz](http://www.beginningexperience.org.nz)

**POPE LEO XIV PROCLAIMED "THE YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS" AS A SPECIAL JUBILEE YEAR RUNNING FROM 10TH JANUARY 2026 TO 10TH JANUARY 2027** - It commemorates the 800th anniversary of the saint's death. We have thoughtfully curated a collection of books, statues, crosses, & devotional items. Visit: <https://stjosephscentre.co.nz/collections/st-francis-of-assisi>. **St. Josephs Gift Shop**. 253 Dairy Flat Highway, Albany, Auckland 0632. 09 489 5613 | [www.stjosephscentre.co.nz](http://www.stjosephscentre.co.nz)

**THE CATHOLIC ENQUIRY CENTRE (CEC)** - continues to help people encounter Jesus Christ & explore, return to, or deepen their Catholic Faith. You can access their latest newsletter here: <https://www.catholicdiscovery.nz/resource/autumn-newsletter-2026>. CEC encourage those exploring the faith to get in touch with them directly for their own copy of What Catholics Believe. You can order here: [www.catholicdiscovery.nz](http://www.catholicdiscovery.nz)

**MISSION HUB NZ** - provides monthly online formation & encouragement for parishioners involved in parish mission & evangelization. The next session: "From Welcome to Discipleship. Why hospitality, relationship and community matter in parish mission." Monday, 13 July 2026. 7:00pm–8:30pm NZT. More details are available on the notice boards. Register here: <https://us06web.zoom.us/join/register/18Jyn5w1QbKyymB-WvDYCA#/registration>

**MINISTER OF THE WORD CERTIFICATES** - these will be handed out next weekend 4/5 July 2026. Once we have completed the final training for new Ministers of the Word on Tuesday 30th June 2026.



**THE COUPLES FOR CHRIST NORTHSHORE CHAPTER WARMLY INVITES YOU TO JOIN OUR UPCOMING CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM (CLP).** Whether you are looking to deepen your relationship with God, strengthen your family bonds, or find a supportive Christian community, we cannot wait to welcome you! Saturday, 4 July 2026. 2:00pm – 4:00pm. St. Peters Church, 11 Killarney St., Takapuna, 0622. Got questions or want to register? Reach out to our contacts below: Jape: 0275190510; Regie: 0210318384; Mark: 02108177924; Gail: 0211534891

**NOTE AROUND ONLINE REGISTRATIONS FOR BAPTISMS** - If you expressed interest online in having your child baptised via our website and have not received a reply. Please go back & re-register. We recently had an issue with our website & have lost any registrations that came through from April – June 2026.

**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 July; Sat. 22nd August; Sat. 26th September; Sat. 24 October, Sat. 28 November, NO December.** Email Edwin [pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz](mailto:pastoral@stjoseph.org.nz).



**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 & building our vibrant community. If you are not yet registered - Kindly sign up directly on our website: <https://stjoseph.org.nz/new-parishioner/> or scan the QR code to the left.

**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION & MASS ON FRIDAY 3RD JULY 7:00PM AT ST MARY'S PARISH, 20 KITENUI AVE, MT ALBERT.** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy Sung, Benediction, Mass, followed by veneration of St Faustina's relic. All Welcome.

**PRAYER MINISTRY BY TRAINED TEAMS** - will be offered at St Josephs after 10.30am mass on first Sundays of the month and at St Vincents after 9am mass on 2nd Sundays. The team will pray with you for any personal needs or concerns, eg health, jobs, family etc. Anything shared will be kept confidential. You can bring a friend or family member with you if you wish.

**PARISH RETREAT - 17-19 AUGUST 2026 - LED BY JOHN PRIDMORE AT ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH TAKAPUNA:** John comes from London, where he spent much of his early life in the underworld of crime dealing drugs, involved in violence and detained in prison. Following a profound conversion experience, he embraced his Catholic Faith & dedicates his life to sharing his faith as an evangelist and writer. His sessions will be: - **Monday 17 August 7pm God's love;** - **Tuesday 18 August 7pm God's mercy;** - **Wednesday 19 August 7pm God's healing.** Mark those dates so that you can participate in these three days of faith renewal! More details to follow closer to the time.