

Feast Days in The Twentieth Week of Ordinary Time

- **Mon 16 Aug:** Optional for **St Stephen of Hungary**. Born about 969, baptised about 985, crowned king of Hungary in 1000. Stephen ruled wisely in the country, and did all he could for the establishment of the Church there. Died 1038.
- **Thu 19 Aug:** Optional for **St John Eudes, priest**. Born in France 1601, lived mostly in Normandy. Founded the Institute of Our Lady of Charity to help prostitutes; and the Congregation of Jesus and Mary, whose work was the running of Seminaries, which he established at Caen, Coutances, Lisieux and Rouen. Promoted devotion to the Sacred heart of Jesus and of Mary.
- **Fri 20 Aug:** Memorial for **St Bernard, abbot and doctor of the Church**. Born near Dijon in France in 1090. Entered Cistercian Order at the age of 22; became the abbot of Clairvaux. Despite his longing for the contemplative life, he travelled a great deal in France, Germany et Italy, trying to reconcile divisions in the Church. He wrote many works on the spiritual life and theology.
- **Sat 21 Aug:** Memorial for **St Pius X, pope**. Joseph Sarto was born in 1835, at Riese in the province of Venice. Became Patriarch of Venice in 1893, and pope in 1903. The aim of his life was to 'restore all things to Christ'. He defended the deposit of faith, exhorted the people to take part in the liturgy, encouraged frequent communion — his motivation always pastoral. Died 1914.



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We pray for Ann Campbell and for those who have died recently and have anniversaries at this time:

- Aug 14:** Louisa Douglas 1942, John Graham 1982
- Aug 15:** Imelda Sayegh 1959, Jack Johnson 2005
- Aug 16:** Agnes Jaggs 1979, Colleen Turner 1995
- Aug 18:** Katherine Wright 1941, Beryl Grant 1999, John Franklin 2009
- Aug 19:** Adolf Court 1928, Anne Ross 2011, Ella Maher 2014
- Aug 20:** Nicholas Casey 1913, Margaret Heffernan 2002, Philippa Gerrard 2007
- Aug 21:** Thomas Bayot 1911, Joan Cummings 2005

ALPHA RETURNS – Alpha is a course which helps strengthen your knowledge of our faith. It is also an opportunity to invite friends and family who are not Christians, or who are not coming to church. There is **no charge**. The main Alpha course begins on **Tuesday 31st August, 7pm in the Church Hall**.

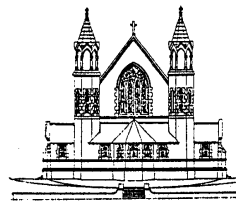
We are also having an **introduction session with dinner on Tuesday, 17th August, 7 pm** so you can come and hear about Alpha from past participants to help you decide before you join the main course. To **REGISTER** contact Deacon Steve Fraser; stephenf@kidzcan.co.nz – Ph 021 439 407 or Engelbert Dsouza; email: engelbert.dsouza@yahoo.com



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ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY : 15 AUGUST 2021

Blessed is she who believed

LUKE 1: 39-56

What do we mean when we express our conviction that Mary was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory?



St Vincent De Paul Update



Our Glenfield Vinnies shop needs stock! We mostly need clothes and bric-a-brac, but we can and do sell anything! We are happy to collect items at the Parish office and arrange for it to get to the store. For bigger items there is a Vinnies truck and Kevin can very kindly pick up donations for us. Please contact Wanda on 021-248-0629 or Glenfield.vinnies@gmail.com or the Parish Office and let us know if you can help in any way. Thank you.

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This feast links Mary's unique destiny with her role as the Mother of God. Her privilege is a sign and promise for all the People of God. The Gospel for the day 15 August, is Luke 1:39-59 which includes Mary's jubilant song of praise. It's a mosaic of phrases from the Old Testament and relates in particular to the song of Hannah at her son Samuel's birth. Luke presents Mary bringing to fulfilment the long succession of Israel's "poor in spirit". She gathers their prayers together in one great hymn of blessing we call the Magnificat.

We too magnify the Lord by our prayer and action.

Rededication of Aotearoa New Zealand to Mary Mother of God

The bishops will gather for Mass on Sunday 15 August at St. Mary of the Angels in Wellington. A similar rededication rite will be made at every Mass in New Zealand on this day.

Source: www.nlo.org.nz



Rejoice | Auckland Catholic Festival 2021

A time for us to rejoice and celebrate our Catholic faith. Check out the details on the festival poster at the back of the church, or visit the website:

www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/festival

Volunteer's Needed:

Please complete an expression of interest using a form accessible from the Festival page of the CDA website:

www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz

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Parish Office Hours: Mon—9:00am to 12:30pm; Tues to Fri—9:00am to 1:00pm

Parish Newsletter: (DEADLINE 9am THURS.)

Sunday Mass Times: Sat. Vigil: 5.30pm Sunday: 9.30am

Weekday Times: This Week: Mon: 8am Liturgy, Wed & Fri 12pm Holy Mass

Thurs & Sat: 9am Holy Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat, after 9.00am Mass

Other Rosters:

Children's Liturgy

22 Aug—Coreenna

Counters

22 Aug—Rosalind & Coreenna

Cleaning

21 Aug—Moat'ane Family

Flowers

20 August — Annie

Morning Tea

22 Aug— Kate

Belief in the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was only decreed in 1950 but was evident in the prayer tradition of the Church long before that. Liturgical texts appeared as early as the fifth century. The preface for the Mass today links Mary's unique destiny with her role as the Mother of God; it also sees her Assumption as sign and promise for the pilgrim people of God. In Mary's glorious assumption we celebrate the fulfilment of our Christian destiny, and with her we proclaim the greatness of the Lord

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

With Mary we proclaim the greatness of the Lord

Revelation 11:19;12:1-6,10 A woman adorned with the sun standing on the moon.

Ps 45: On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

1Cor 15:20-26 Christ as the first-fruits and then those who belong to him.

Luke 1:39-56 The Almighty has done great things for me, he has exalted the lowly.

21ST SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME 22 Aug

The Holy One Of God

Joshua 24:1-2,15-18 We will serve the Lord, for he is our God.

Ps 34: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Eph 5:21-32 This mystery has many implications for Christ and his Church.

John 6:60-69 Who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life.



ROSARY Monday, 6pm

Come & join in, reciting this beautiful prayer.

All Welcome

Christian meditation

Monday 6.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room All welcome.

www.christianmeditation.nz

Introducers

(15 Aug) Sat Shawn Pearce-Blom **Sun** Emma Mackie-Watts

(22 Aug) Sat Steve Burke **Sun** Elaine Harvey

Readers:

(15 Aug) Sat Kath Petrie Clive Sinclair **Sun** David Williamson Yem Braid

(22 Aug) Sat Shaun Erasmuson Kay McKellar **Sun** Gerard Dobbs Kate Kearins

Communion Ministers:

(15 Aug) Sat Mila Burke Eileen Pearce **Sun** Kathy Lynch Mary Steel Flo Sapa'au

(22 Aug) Sat Maureen & Harry Dennis **Sun** Francisca Knottenbelt Adrienne Williams Andrew Steel

Altar Servers:

(15 Aug) Sun Alice Gillies Claire Gillies

(22 Aug) Sun Honor Braid Jacob McGivern

Greeters/Offertory

(15 Aug) Sun McGivern Family

(22 Aug) Sun Jameson Family

Be equip'd Workshop

The local Devonport Ministers have organised a Be Equip'd workshop to be held **7.30-9PM, Thursday 26 August** at Holy Trinity Parish Hall 20 Church Street Devonport.

This is an interactive session which will provide you with a tool, BE EQUIP'D, a framework to show you how to help and support family, friends or others you know who might be dealing with mental health issues or are stressed or distressed. For more information see the poster on the noticeboard or visit www.equip.net.nz

Please contact Holy Trinity, Admin@holyltrinity.gen.nz or our Parish Office if you are interested in attending.

St Leo's school will be attending Midday Mass on **Wednesday 18 August**. All welcome

Next Sunday, 22 August

There will be a **Special Collection** which is the annual appeal to support **Māori Pastoral Care** in the Auckland Diocese. There will be some envelopes for this on the table at the church door.

New Zealand Catholic 8 –21 August out now.

Some headlines are: Catholic housing provider slams policy shift. Parish jobs fair sees dozens find work. Vocations directors meet at seminary. Helipad at school helps hospital. **\$4 each**

Diocese Notices

Catholic Diocese of Auckland Commission for Ecumenism 2021 Talk Series

Wed 18 August at 7pm at St Peter's Syrian Orthodox Church, 15 Culperry Road, Glendene.

Time Out Days – For those looking for a day retreat - 9:30am – 2:30pm (\$30 includes lunch): Tue 24 August; Wed 15 September; Wed 20 October; Tue 16 November ; Wed 8 December. Bookings: Tel: 09 625 6651 admin@stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz

Website for Te Ara a Maria: Mary's Way project

A website has been created to help promote the bishops' renewal of the dedication of the country to Our Lady Assumed into Heaven. The renewal project has the title *Te Ara a Maria: Mary's Way* and runs for 12 months from 15 August.

Go here for the website: www.tearaamaria.nz

Role vacancy: Deputy Executive Officer, NZ Catholic Bishops Conference

The Deputy Executive Officer provides support for the work of the Catholic Bishops and their agencies at national level in the Catholic Church in Aotearoa New Zealand. This role is based at the Catholic Centre, Wellington. Visit www.catholic.org.nz

Life Teen Summer Camp Auckland 14-18 January 2022 at YMCA Camp Adair, Hunua. Inviting all 18+ years to join us for the best camp ever and serve in a variety of roles as we lead teens closer to Christ. If you have time or a heart of service or a gift or talent to share, we have a place for you. Contact: summercamp@cda.org.nz or www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/acym/itscak22

The Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary founded in Ireland on 7th September 1921 celebrates its 100 years of giving glory to God through our Blessed Mother, by making its members holy through prayer and active co-operation in the Church's apostolic work. It has been in New Zealand since 1933. Join with us in this celebration to a Novena Day of Prayer and Opening Mass at **St Michael's 6 Beatrice Road, Remuera, Thursday 2 September, 7:15pm**. Then we will have the Centenary full day celebrations at **St Michael's on Saturday 11th September, 8:30am – 4:30pm**, with the Centenary Mass at 11am, inspirational Talk Series throughout the day. Food and Religious Item Sales. New members are most welcome. Mary Help of Christians | Pray for us.



St Leo's Catholic School

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Parish News 13 August

Olympic Day

On Friday 13 August we held an Olympic sports afternoon. The children 'represented' countries as they compete in various activities. The winners received gold, silver and bronze medals.

Peninsula Choir Festival

On Thursday 12 August the choir performed at Belmont School along with other choirs from the Peninsula area.

Many thanks to Dominic Blaazer who puts in so much effort to train our children to a high standard.



Lego

If anyone has any sets of lego with instructions that they are not using Mrs Lattimer in St Clare's is looking for some for her class.

School Mass (for the Assumption)

We will all attend Mass next week on Wednesday 18 August to celebrate Mary's special feast day. Mass will be at 12 noon and all are welcome to join us.

God Bless
Maureen Harris

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE CARING FOUNDATION

A huge thank you from the Caring Foundation for your generous support of their annual appeal on Caring Sunday. Your generosity means help for families, individuals and communities.

For some inspiring alternative reading, **Tui Motu InterIslands Magazine** has many articles online: www.tuimotu.org