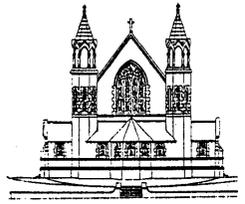




DEVONPORT CATHOLIC
PARISH
St Francis de Sales & All Souls
2a Albert Road, Devonport, Auckland 0624



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 15TH MAY 2022



I give you a new commandment:
love one another;
just as I have loved you.

JOHN 13:31-35

We hear in the readings this week how the early disciples carried out Jesus' new commandment: they showed their Christianity by the love they shared in practical ways. This love, *agape* in Greek, continues to be at the heart of the Church's Mission today.

But how are we called to show this love - not just the Judaic law of loving others as we love ourselves, but loving them as Jesus loved us, in total self-sacrifice? We may not be called to be martyrs for the Faith, but we **are** called to look outwards in Mission, and those of us who have read Fr Neil's book will identify with that call.

Please put aside some time on Sunday May 29th to have a cup of tea with Fr Neil in the Hall, to ask questions, clarify ideas, and start to plan for practical ways we can, as a Parish, look outwards in love for others, and for the planet.

Many thanks!

To Margaret and the Flower Team for the posies distributed to all the women of the Parish on Mothers' Day. Greatly appreciated!



St Leo's Catholic School

Kindness | Confidence | Integrity | Excellence

Nga mihi nui kia koutou and a warm St Leo's greeting to you all

We have had a wonderful week 2 of learning and getting back into some normality. On Wednesday the school celebrated our first assembly of the year. St Patrick's led the assembly with prayer, with a beautiful dramatisation of the bible reading taken from Mathew 13:1-9. They brought the story to life allowing us to reflect on the teachings of Jesus and how those help us to grow and develop in our faith journey.

This term we have a full-school Mass scheduled on the 9th of June. The theme for our Mass is **Holy Spirit, Come** as we would like to integrate this special Mass with the celebration of Pentecost.

Classroom Visits This term we are very excited to take our classes to join in on a Friday midday Parish Mass. Each class has been scheduled to start from the 20th of May. This will allow our students to feel a sense of belonging and whanaungatanga.

God Bless

Vimi Chandra, Principal

The Justice and Peace Commission of Auckland Diocese are looking for new members of 2 Committees: **Affordability of Housing**, which advocates for affordable, warm, dry housing for all, especially those in greatest need, and **Social Hazards** which advocates to overcome exploitation of people, loan sharks, gambling and alcohol harm.

If you are interested in serving in these areas please contact Peter Garrick, Executive Secretary peterg@cda.org.nz phone 022 1300 730

Today's readings continue the Easter theme of offering hope to those who are suffering, a hope founded on the risen Lord.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The New Creation

Acts 14:21-27 They gave an account to the church of all that God had done with them.

Psalms 145: 1 I will praise your name forever, O God my king.

Apocalypse 21:1-5 God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.

John 13:31-35 I give you a new commandment, love one another.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

22 May

The Radiant Glory Of God

Acts 15:1-2,22-29 It has been decided ... not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials.

Psalms 67: 1 O God, let all the peoples praise you.

Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23 He showed me the holy city coming down out of heaven.

John 14:23-29 The Holy Spirit will remind you of all I have said to you.

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRIES.

SAT 21 MAY 5.30 PM

SUN 22 MAY 9.30 AM

Welcome/Prayers of Intercession

Clive Sinclair

Emma Mackie-Watts

Ministers of the Word

Judith Priddy
Kath Petrie

Gerard Dobbs
John Knight

Ministers of Communion

Eileen Pearce

Flo Sapa'au

Joshua meeting notice

Date: Wed 25 May 7.30pm

Venue: St Josephs Centre, Takapuna

There will be a presentation on the topic: 'What will Heaven be Like?'

A warm invitation to all men to come and find out and meet Catholic men in a spirit of friendship and fellowship.

Christian Meditation 6.30

Monday Meeting Room.

Poland Community meditation for Ukraine

6 am every Sunday. Zoom Meeting ID 81721118133 Passcode 544877

Need a space for a function or event? St Leo's Community Hall is available at reasonable rates. Contact the Parish Office for bookings.

Our Lenten Caritas Collection this year was \$835, lower than in previous years. If you have still to send your own donation to Caritas, you are encouraged to do so as soon as possible: the charities they support are some of the neediest in this area.

May is the traditional month of devotion to

Our Lady. Older parishioners will remember Queen of the May processions, bringing "flowers of the rarest and blossoms the fairest" to adorn statues of Mary, or saying The Angelus every day at

noon— the prayer celebrating Mary's Damascus experience, the moment when she is bowled over by God. There are some beautiful icons of this moment in the current exhibition at the Auckland Art Gallery. But right here in the parish you can visit our own icon, on the eastern side of the Church, and let Our Lady look at you, or join in with the Rosary, every Monday evening in the Church at 6 pm.



Diocesan Notices

Week of prayer for Christian Unity 30 May-5 June. Ecumenical Prayer service 12 June 6.30 pm. See church notice board for details.

Bishop's Jubilee Bursary Semester 2.

Contribution towards fees for Theology and RE courses at degree or post-graduate level.

Applications close 9 June 2022. Please contact Michelle Jarvis michellej@cda.org.nz

Do you know someone who is blind or visually impaired that would appreciate access to books on faith topics and inspiration? Put them in touch with the Xavier Society for the Blind that provides braille and audio books free. See their website <https://xaviersocietyfortheblind.org/> or email info@xaviersocietyfortheblind.org

Positions Vacant :Liturgy and Ministry

Coordinator to ensure that the Diocese's commitment to the vision and spirit of Vatican II is upheld. This is a full-time role. Applicants must have experience of parish liturgical ministry and an understanding of the principles of the liturgy of the Catholic Church along with a relevant Theological degree and be willing to work flexible hours including evenings and weekends.

Pastoral Worker to the Auckland Deaf Community 32 hours per week. This role will have responsibility for pastoral care and support for deaf, hearing impaired and their families. Applicants must have fluency in New Zealand Sign Language and be a practising Catholic with sound knowledge of the Catholic faith. Please visit our website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz – Diocesan Services – Staff Vacancies for the full position descriptions and application details.

Unwritten; Young Adults Evening Join us for Unwritten, an incredible evening for young adults! Taking place on Saturday 21 May, 6:00pm-9:00pm, Unwritten will be a night of keynote speakers, praise and worship, adoration, reconciliation, and prayer. Spaces are limited, so grab your FREE tickets today! <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/unwritten-tickets-322536564547>

Parish Sacramental Programme

The preparation of candidates for the sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion will commence on Wed 18 May with a parents meeting (via Zoom).

The sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion will take place at Sunday Mass on 10th July with the Bishop.

Please contact Stephen for any further info.

Carmel College 2023 Enrolments.

Open Evening on Thursday 26 May 4.00-4.30 pm in the college hall - presentation by staff and students 4.30-5.30pm - tours of the school Please wear a mask.

Daytime tours Mon 30 May to Thursday 2 June 9.00–9.30am and 1.45–2.30pm. There are still places available for preference applicants for the 2023 year at all levels. Please see the Carmel College Enrolment Link on the website for further details and to enrol online.

BULLETIN FOR PENTECOST. We would like to publish another all-colour bulletin, like the Christmas one, for Pentecost Sunday June 5. If you have stories, suggestions, poems, artwork or if you would like to be part of the publishing team please ring Kath 021 620 805 or contact the Parish Office. No contribution too small and all skills welcome!

100 YEARS OF MARIST EDUCATION IN HAMILTON

St John's College Hamilton is hosting a Mass and luncheon to celebrate 100 years since the Marist Brothers opened a school in Hamilton. Mass will be held on our campus at 11am on Sunday 5th June, followed by a light luncheon and gathering. Old Boys and families who've had an association with Marist and St John's College in Hamilton are all welcome. Please register attendance online at www.foundation.stjohns-hamilton.school.nz, or phone the College Office on 07 856 7091

Please support our Catholic newspaper, **NZ Catholic** by bringing \$4 to Mass or subscribing personally.

Feast Days in Fifth Week of Easter

- **Wed 18 May:** Optional for **St John I, pope and martyr.** Born in Tuscany, elected as 53rd pope in 523. Sent by king Theodoric to Constantinople to persuade the emperor, Justin I, to desist from persecution of the Arians. He was welcomed with great honour, but refused to obey wishes of the king, so upon return to Rome was exiled to Ravenna where he died in 526.
- **Fri 20 May:** Optional for **St Bernadine of Siena, priest.** Born 1380 near Siena, he entered the Friars Minor and was ordained. Journeyed throughout Italy preaching God's mercy. Encouraged devotion to the holy name of Jesus. d 1444.
- **Sat 21 May:** Optional for **St Christopher Magallanes & Companions, martyrs.** Joined in martyrdom by 21 priests and three laymen, all members of the Cristeros Movement, who rebelled against the anti-Catholic govt. of Mexico in the 1920's. Having erected a Seminary at Tatatiche, he secretly spread the Gospel and ministered to people.

Maria Assumpta Parish in Beach Haven, Auckland

is celebrating its Golden Jubilee over Labour Weekend. 22-24 October, 2022. Register your interest and get updated details from patlythe@gmail.com or Ph 09.4839903. We'd love to hear from you.

We pray for those who have died recently, and for those with anniversaries at this time including,

- May 15:** Margaret Taylor 1952
May 16: Margarita Henderson 1946, Michael Gregory 1960
May 17: Carol Wynne 1908
May 18: Thomas Robinson 1907
May 19: Myrtle Temple 1990
May 20: Cecilia Ure 1991, Gloria Röllin 2004
May 21: Kathleen Hennelly 1938, William Kearney 1986



SUNDAY 29 MAY 4.30PM

Mass of Welcome to new Catholics

Cathedral of St Patrick and St Joseph



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St Leo's Catholic School: 4459339 www.stleos.school.nz

Principal: Vimi Chandra

Parish-School Reps: Steven Albrecht, Kath Petrie, Rachel Steel

Parish Office Hours: Mon to Fri: 9:00am to 1:00pm

Parish Newsletter: (DEADLINE 9am THURS.)

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

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

Thurs & Sat: 9am Holy Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat, after 9.00am Mass

Other Rosters:

Flowers:

May 13 : Gayle
20/5 Elizabeth

Church

Cleaning:

28/5 Kate and
Annie

Counters:

22/5: Kate
Kearins, John
Knight

Hospitality

May 22 Shyrelle
29/5 Shelley