



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



27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 2ND OCTOBER 2022

The Season of Creation ends this weekend officially, with the Feast of St Francis of Assisi.

But we are encouraged to continue taking seriously our role as *kaitiaki* of Creation. As Pope Francis says: "Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience."

Fill us with peace, all powerful God, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

Lifting Covid19 Restrictions
for Liturgies in Devonport Parish
1st October 2022

1. Hand sanitisers will continue to be provided in church
2. Masks: Optional according to government regulations. Be aware of other people's needs. Ministers of Communion wear masks.
3. Holy water available in church fountains
4. Sign of peace: Continue bowing for the present. Be aware of other people's sensitivities.
5. Communion on the tongue: Discouraged because of often unavoidable contact with people's saliva. If people insist on this practice, they should come last and be aware they are putting the Communion minister at risk. Communion minister may avoid them.
6. Communion from the chalice: Delay re-introducing the cup until we are more sure of the health situation.

These protocols will be revised as more information becomes available from the Ministry of Health.



Congratulations to Denise O'Shaughnessy and Linda Lampen-Smith who were elected as Co-Chairs of the Parish Pastoral Council at our meeting this week. (see the other members on the noticeboard in the foyer)

2 new Members were elected at the AGM, and since then we have had a Formation Day, looking at how the grace of God can enable imperfect people to work together and bring about the realm of God on earth. On Tuesday we decided to implement a Mission Testimony Series, which will begin mid-October, enabling us to hear from other parishioners what Mission looks like in their lives. We continued to discuss the AV Upgrade, which we are keen to advance by the end of the year if possible. We have already received a donation that will cover more than half the \$19K cost, and we are seeking additional one-off donations, of whatever you can afford. Of course, the Columbarium project is ongoing, and we hope to have a figure soon for the cost of individual niches, so we can start a marketing plan. In the meantime, please have a look at the drawings at the back of the Church.

The Liturgy Committee is starting a recruitment drive for more members, and training will be provided. **It has been decided to discontinue the Monday morning 8 a.m. Liturgy, based on lack of demand.**

Chapter 17 of Luke is read on the 27th and 28th Sundays in Ordinary Time. The Lectionary focuses on two stories — the dutiful servant (today) and the healing of the lepers (next Sunday). Jesus teaches that salvation is a gift of God to which no one has a right and which no one can earn (dutiful servant) and that this gift is offered to all (healing of the lepers).

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Our Faith

Habakkuk 1:2-3;2:2-4 The upright person will live by faithfulness

Psalms 94: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts

2Timothy 1:6-8,13-14 Never be ashamed of witnessing to our Lord

Luke 17:5-10 If only you had faith!

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9 October

Thanksgiving

2Kings 5:14-17 Naaman returned to Elisha and acknowledged the Lord.

Psalms 98: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

2Timothy 2:8-13 If we hold firm, then we shall reign with Christ.

Luke 17:11-19 No one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.

Ministries

Sat 1st October

Welcome: Kath Petrie
Readers: Emma Mackie-Watts
Shaun Erasmuson
Communion: Riaan Blom

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Sat 8th October

Welcome: Emma Mackie-Watts
Readers: Robert Mannion
Steve Burke
Communion: Lisa Mannion

Sun 2nd October

Anne Gibson
Ben Upton
Vanessa Baldy
Kate Casey

Sun 10th October

Linda Lampen-Smith
Gerard Dobbs
John Knight
Flo Sapa'au

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Rosary Prayer Group meet 6pm
Mondays in the Church.

Meditation /Contemplative Prayer
Group meet 6.30pm Mondays
in the Parish Meeting Room.

**Franciscan Friary Animal Blessing
Service and Open Day. Sun. Oct
2, 2-4 pm. Free, all welcome.**

Foodbank Appeal De Paul House

Tins of protein—fish, meat, chicken—urgently needed as well as tinned vegetables, toilet essentials and cleaning products. Please leave on the porch at the back of the presbytery and they will be collected daily. Thanks and blessings .

Still wondering what Mission means in your life as a

Christian? Pope Francis calls us to have huge hearts to create communities of welcome, looking outwards.

Join a Mission Momentum Day for Auckland and explore some hot topics that arose in the Synod process. Please register through the website:

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/missionmap/momentum/>

Sat 15 October Takapuna Church Hall

De Paul House Breakfast Fundraiser. With Author, Commentator and Co-Founder of Duffy Books in Homes,



17 October, 7-9 am. Spencer on Byron Hotel, Byron Avenue, Takapuna. Tickets \$95 Or \$900 for a table of 10.

Please RSVP by Oct 7th to admin@depaulhouse.org.nz

*We need you to write, draw, photograph, versify or contribute in any way possible to the **Christmas Parish Bulletin**. Deadline is December 5th —only 9 weeks away. Talk to Kath in the Parish office if you can help.*

Kids Korner: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/TWENTY-SEVENTH-SUNDAY-in-OT.pdf>

Parent Ponderings: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Noah-in-the-21st-Century.pdf>

Feast Days in the Twenty-Seventh Week Ordinary Time

- **Tue 4 Oct:** Memorial for **St Francis of Assisi**. Born 1181, the son of a wealthy merchant. Gave up everything to obey the call of the Lord. Lived in complete poverty & preached the gospel. Others came to join him, and so began the Franciscan Order, which spread rapidly in his lifetime. His life was a putting into practice the beatitudes. Died 1226.
- **Thu 6 Oct:** Optional for **St Bruno, priest**. Born Cologne about 1030. Was ordained and for many years ran the Cathedral at Rheims. Felt called to asceticism and solitude and so retired to mountains near Grenoble with a few companions. So began the Carthusian Order. He died in 1101.
- **Fri 7 Oct:** Memorial for **Our Lady of the Rosary**. This feast has been celebrated since the Christian victory over the Turks at the battle of Lepanto in 1571.

We pray for those who have died recently, especially Michael McCormick, June Grant, and Frank O'Shaughnessy, father of Denise, who died in Wellington last week and for those whose anniversaries we remember:

Oct 03: Basil Wall 1907, Maureen Carter 2003

Oct 04: Peter Coleman 1907, James Colon 1923

Oct 05: William Missen 1953, Robert Mortimer 1990

Oct 06: Mark McCleod 1955, Joan Conner 2001

Oct 07: Lily O'Hara 1953

Oct 08: William Todd, 1934

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon the, May they rest in peace.

PROLIFE FACTS

Voice for Life invites you to see the movie "Unplanned" for free at the Reformed Church on the North Shore, 74 Trias Road, Totara Vale, 7.30 pm Friday October 7th. This is a powerful, true-life movie, recommended for pro-life people and for those unsure of where they stand on the topic of abortion. Please note that it is M-rated. Come along and bring a friend.

For more pro-life information, visit voiceforlife.org.nz

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**Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9:00am to 1:00pm
closed Wednesdays**

Parish Newsletter: (*Publication Deadline 9am THURS.*)

Mass Times:

Vigil Sat : 5.30pm, Sun: 9.30am

Weekday Times:

Wed 12 pm, Thurs 9am, Fri 12pm & Sat 9am: Mass

Note: no Monday morning Liturgy from 3 October

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat after 9am Mass

The Devonport Lions are collecting used/unwanted eyeglasses and hearing aids to be sent to impoverished countries. Please drop them off at Devonport Optometrists Victoria Rd during business hours.

Other Rosters

Flowers

30/09 Leslee Burtton

7/10 Margaret Pereira

Church Cleaning

15/10 Elaine and Les

Counters

02/10 Elizabeth & Alan

9/10 Maria and Jeremy

Hospitality

02/10 Jody Gill

9/10 Yem Braid