



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



**28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 9TH OCTOBER 2022**

*LITURGY: Connecting us as a Community of Joy in the work of Christ.*

There is an old saying: "Many hands make light work." Liturgy comes from the Greek word *leiturgos* meaning a public work, or an action on behalf of the people. In Christian tradition it asks each of us to participate in the work of God. Liturgy can transform us, heal us, and revive our enthusiasm for Mission. But it needs many hands, not just two or three. Participants, not spectators. At present, our Liturgy Committee is greatly reduced in number, and is seeking new members. Don't know what that involves? Help is offered, both in the Parish and by the diocese. Stephen Bell, our Pastoral Assistant, leads the liturgy committee and is organising, with Fr Neil, formation days as follows:

Introducers: Wed 19 October 7pm-8pm,  
Communion: Thurs 20 October 7pm-8pm,  
Readers: Wed 26 October 7pm-8pm.

Introducers lead the Gathering Rite and the Prayers of Intercession. Readers proclaim the Word in a meaningful way. Communion ministers bring Christ (Eucharist) to the people.

If you are interested in taking a more active role in parish liturgy, or finding out more about these ministries, you are welcome to attend one of these sessions, or contact Stephen 021 060 8561.

There is also a Liturgy Formation Day with people from other parishes in the Diocese on Oct 29th. We would love to send a parish group to this—contact Kath in the Parish Office if interested.

*Diocesan Formation Day - Liturgy  
For 'the People of God'*

*Come, listen, learn, chat, discuss and be inspired as we unpack Pope Francis' Letter. Guest Speaker Fr. Pat Brady*



Rosmini College  
Auditorium  
9.30am -3pm  
Oct 29th.

Congratulations to the Choir on their ecumenical initiative: on **Sunday 4th December at 7pm** they will join with members of the Holy Trinity Anglican Choir to sing the **9 Lessons and Carols**, a traditional Advent celebration. They are committing to solid weeks of practice under the direction of Dr Sue Braadvedt, so please put the date in your diary, to support them.

Fr. Neil will be away Mon-Fri next week. There will be a Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion on Wednesday 12th and Friday 14th at noon. There will be no Mass or Liturgy at 9am on Thursday 13th.

**Haere mai Hugo.**

We welcome today, for Baptism at the 9.30 Mass, Hugo John Corner, son of Matthew and Gemma. Gemma is the daughter of Graeme and Karen Byrnes, who live in the parish, and are delighted to welcome the Sydneysiders back, on holiday. Gemma grew up in Devonport and attended St Leo's and Carmel.

The story of the ten lepers is not to teach that we should be grateful for gifts given. We already know that! Luke tells the story to teach that salvation and healing are offered to all. Our God is the God of all!

**28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME** *Thanksgiving*

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

**Psalm 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.

**29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME** *16 October Christ Always Interceding For Us*

**Exodus 17:8-13** As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage.

**Psalm 121: Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

**2Timothy 3:14—4:2** The person who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

**Luke 18:1-8** God will see justice done to his chosen who cry to him.

**Ministries Sat 8th October**

Welcome: Kath Petrie  
Readers: Robert Mannion  
Steve Burke  
Communion: Lisa Mannion

**Sun 9th October**

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

**St Francis de Sales & All Souls  
Rosary Prayer Group** meet 6pm  
Mondays in the Church.  
**Meditation /Contemplative Prayer  
Group** meet 6.30pm Mondays  
in the Parish Meeting Room.  
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**Ministries Sat 15th October**

Welcome: Emma Mackie-Watts  
Readers: Clive Sinclair  
Liz McMaster  
Communion: Kit Isidro

**Sun 16th October**

Karen Rawlinson  
Mary Lyttleton  
Yem Braid  
Elaine Harvey

Senior coffee group is on  
Thursday 13th October 10am at  
4A Preston Ave Belmont. Please  
ring Noeline phone 021679060.

**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 10.30-2.30

**The Gospel of Matthew**  
**The Gospel for the New Church Year**  
with Kieran Fenn fms

The Gospel according to Matthew was written around the mid-80s AD and is often considered as "The Gospel for the Jewish community".

It starts with a genealogy, a true whakapapa, connecting Jesus with Abraham and King David of the Hebrew Bible. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus is the new Leader of the young Christian community which is deeply rooted in the history of the Israelites.



In this series of 4 parts, Br Kieran will take a closer look at the Gospel of Matthew from different perspectives.

All sessions are connected but also stand alone. Join us and get inspired through the teachings of Br Kieran who has a wonderful way of bringing Scripture alive.



Monday, 7-8.30pm per Zoom  
17 & 24 October and 7 & 14 November 2022  
Fee: \$25 (NZD)/session or \$80 (NZD)/4 sessions  
Special fee for groups of more than 2 persons.  
For more information and registration: info@studyjoy.nz

Kids Korner: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/TWENTY-EIGHTH-SUNDAY-in-OT-docx.pdf>

Parent Ponderings: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/How-God-shone-a-special-light-on-this-couple-on-their-wedding-day.pdf>

## Diocesan News

**Maria Assumpta Parish in Beach Haven, Auckland** is celebrating its Golden Jubilee over Labour Weekend. 22-23 October 2022. We welcome former parishioners to join us. Please register at <https://beachhavencatholic.org.nz/jubilee-registration> or text Pat Lythe at 0273441663.

Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is holding a free online event, **“No hope in hell: How a real Gospel view of the afterlife can make us better missionaries”** on Thursday 13 October at 6:30-8:00pm via Zoom. The speaker is Cameron Surrey of the Auckland Catholic Tertiary Chaplaincy. Come along with your whanau and friends. Register for free at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/846123456789>

NZ Catholics are being urged to support the under-funded hospice and palliative care services by donating, volunteering in hospice shops, and asking their members of Parliament and the Government to make palliative care a priority. Bishop of Auckland Steve Lowe, Secretary of the NZCBC, says hospices provide a free service to 20,000 palliative care patients and their whānau each year, but must fundraise almost half the \$176 million cost. Bishop Steve says: “When the public was asked at the 2020 election to support the euthanasia legislation – dubbed the End-of-Life Choice law – they were led to believe palliative care would be a priority choice. Instead, hospice funding has been virtually capped at a time of high inflation”  
Full details online here: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/support-palliative-care/>

(Note from Kath: I have told all my family their birthday presents will be coming from a Hospice Shop in future. September birthdays yielded a brand new 100 piece jigsaw for a puzzle-mad daughter, and a vintage mechanical juicer for a son very much at home in the kitchen. Let it be a challenge !)



**Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand, the Catholic Agency for Justice, Peace and Development**, has just sent a \$10,000 solidarity grant to Caritas Pakistan to assist with recovery and ongoing relief after the devastating floods that resulted in 1/3 of the country being submerged in water, and 7 million people struggling. They are also working with Caritas Poland and other partners to support those displaced by the war in Ukraine with food, bandages, electrical generators, blankets and sleeping bags. Please keep Caritas in your prayers or become a One World Partner [www.caritas.org.nz](http://www.caritas.org.nz)

### **NZ Catholic on sale this week \$4.**

Articles include:

Sexual diversity guidelines for Catholic schools; Pink shoes protest about women in the Church; a tribute to the late Maanu Paul.

**Family Life Catholic Gifts** (569 Richardson Road, Mt Roskill) is having a 20% OFF SALE of Rosaries, for the month of October, both online and in store. We have lots of other beautiful Catholic Sacramentals available. All our profits go towards the life-saving work of Family Life International. Visit us on... [www.catholicgifts.co.nz](http://www.catholicgifts.co.nz)

**Parish Christmas Bulletin—what will be YOUR contribution? Deadline December 5th**

## Feast Days in the Twenty-Eighth Week Ordinary Time

- **Tue 11 Oct:** Optional for **St John XXIII, pope**.
- **Fri 14 Oct:** Optional for **St Callistus I, pope and martyr**. Became pope in 217. His papacy was marked by controversy, particularly with Hippolytus. He was martyred in 222.
- **Sat 15 Oct:** Memorial for **St Teresa of Avila, virgin and doctor of the Church**. Born Avila, Spain 1515. Entered Carmel in 1533. In 1555 committed herself to the way of perfection. Founded a religious house living by the primitive rule (Discalced Carmelites), though opposed at first. She persevered in prayer, enjoying many mystical experiences. Her spiritual writings are still influential. She is the patron of headache sufferers.

**We pray for those who have died recently**, especially James Elliston and for those whose anniversaries we remember:

**Oct 09:** John Cocoran 1952

**Oct 10:** Maria Kennedy 1929, Yvonne Brideson 1983

**Oct 11:** Catherine Russell 1990, Katy Colson 1996

**Oct 12:** Mary Blackman 1955, William Tucker 2001

**Oct 14:** Eileen Creedon 1984

**Oct 15:** Maria Moran 1931, James Kyle 1977

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

### SUPPORT LIFE SUNDAY OCTOBER 9TH

Support Life Sunday calls each of us to be active participants in supporting life wherever we can. This year the focus is ...

***You are not alone: Accompanying and caring for people living with mental illness.***

"The treatment with the psychiatrist also helped me to locate myself and learn to manage my anxiety and avoid being rushed when making decisions. The decision making process is always complex. And the advice and observations that she gave me was very helpful. ... Her teachings are still very useful to me today." *Pope Francis*

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**Parish Secretary:** Kathleen Petrie

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**St Leo's Catholic School Principal:** Vimi Chandra

**Bishop's Reps:** Rachel Steele, Steven Albrecht, Anna Rumble

**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 this week**

Wed 12 pm, Fri 12pm Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

**Note: no Thursday Mass this week**

**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

#### **Other Rosters**

##### **Flowers**

7/10 Margaret Pereira

14/10 Anne Gibson

##### **Church Cleaning**

15/10 Elaine and Les

##### **Counters**

9/10 Maria and Jeremy

16/10 Shyrelle and Brian

##### **Hospitality**

9/10 Yem Braid

16/10 Norrene