

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



6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 14TH, 2023



God, holding all in your presence. Confirm us in our efforts and hold us in love. We pray this with Jesus among us and the Spirit who impels our participation in your mission. Amen "I will ask the Father to send you the Holy Spirit who will help you and always be with you. The Spirit will show you what is true... I will not leave you orphans. I will come back to you, and because I live, you will live. You will know that you are one with me, and I am one with you." John 14: 15-20



Parish Sacramental Programme The preparation of candidates for the sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion is underway. The celebration of these sacraments will take place at Sunday Mass on 25th June with Bishop Steve Lowe. Let us affectionately remember our mothers...even those who are no longer with us, but who live in our hearts.

Pope Francis

Reflecting on St Luke's Gospel A Social Justice Retreat focussing on social justice aspects of the Gospel of Luke will be held 9.30-4pm on Saturday 10 June 2023 at St Francis Retreat Centre 20 Hillsborough Road, led by Bible Scholar Br Kieran Fenn, FMS who has taught the Scriptures in New Zealand and overseas for more than 40 years. Cost: \$30 including lunch. Applications to Peter Garrick <u>pe-</u> terg@cda.org.nz phone 022 1300 730 by 31 May 2023.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET to fill in a Parish Registration Form, either on paper at the back of the church, or on the website <u>Parish Registration - St. Francis de Sales and All Souls Church</u> (devonportcatholic.org.nz)

For the past five weeks we, the long baptised and the newly baptised, have been relishing life in the Spirit. The gift of the Spirit is made more explicit today. We hear of an unexpected outpouring of the Spirit as recorded in Acts, and we are reminded of Jesus promising the Advocate, the Spirit of Truth, to his disciples on the night before he died.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER The Spirit Of Truth Acts 8:5-8,14-17 They laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. Psalm 66: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

1Peter 3:15-18 In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life. **John 14:15-21** I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate.

ASCENSION OF THE LORD – Christ's Eternal Glory 21 May

World Communications Day Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Acts 1:1-11 He was lifted up while they looked on.

Psalm 47: God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

Ephesians 1:17-23 He made him sit at his right hand n heaven.

Matthew 28:16-20 All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Ministries	Sat May 13	Sun May	14	Formation for Ministers of
Welcome:	Kath Petrie	Karen Ra	wlinson	
Readers:	Steve Burke	Mary Lyt	tleton	Welcome and Holy
	Damian Wallis	Yem Brai	d	Communitien Constant 24 at
Communion:	Riaan Blom	Pauline E	Baker	Communion. Sunday 21st
				May 4-5.30pm. Brief practical
Ministries	Sat May 20	Sun May		aspects and discussion followed
Welcome:	Shawn Pearce-Blom		npen-Smith	
Readers:	Nicky Witham-Blackwell	Kate Kearins		by a Wine and Cheese social
. ·	Steve Burke	Gerard D		time. Looking forward to seeing
Communion:	Kitt Isidro	Adrienne	e Ramskill	as many as possible.
or whose anniversaries occur at this time: May 14: John Kearney 1944, Anthony Gore 2020 May 15: Margaret Taylor 1952, Kenneth Delany 1989 May 16: Margarita Henderson 1946, Michael Gregory 1960 May 17: Carol Wynne 1908, Maurice Richards 2022 May 18: Thomas Robinson 1907, Doreen Yalland 2009			EN will meet on Wednesday, 17th May, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. in St. Thomas More Catholic Church hall, 336 Wairau Road, Glenfield. We will reflect on the Encounter with Jesus of the Samaritan woman at the well. Student Service : Carmel College Each year our Year 7-13 students carry out service activities * in their own time * unpaid * beyond their immediate family as part of living the Mercy values and as part of their personal development as a member of the community. We are always looking for age-appropriate opportunities for our students to be of service. If you have a person or project that needs helpers, contact us: service@carmel.school.nz See more about the programme here: https://www.carmel.school.nz/student-life/ service-programme/	
Kidz Corner and Parent Ponderings—Family Prayer Resources <u>SIXTH SUNDAY of Easter</u> <u>BEING A MOTHER</u>				

From the Diocese

Jubilee Bursary Semester 2, 2023 For Theology and RE courses. Applications close Thursday, 8 June 2023. Please contact: michellej@cda.org.nz

Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College will be accepting enrolment for Second Semester for Bachelor of Divinity and Graduate Diploma in Theology between April 24 – May 19. Full-time or part-time study, in-person or online learning available. Email <u>admin@ctc.ac.nz</u> call (09) 3611053 or check the website www.ctc.ac.nz for more information.

Combined prayer for the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** Friday 26 May, 7pm, Takapuna Methodist Church, 427 Lake Road, Takapuna, Auckland 0622.

SUMMIT Young Leaders' Weekend, Friday 26 May – Sunday 28 May

Youth ministry leaders and young adult ministry leaders, you're invited to an incredible weekend of FORMATION, FELLOWSHIP and being spiritually FILLED! Join us at SUMMIT Young Leaders' Weekend from Friday 26 May, 6pm – Sunday 28 May, 2pm at Sonshine Ranch, Clevedon. Registrations close 21 May. Find out more at <u>Facebook.com/AKCYM</u>

An Evening of Beautiful Music with Fr Chris Skinner sm, to raise funds to send 12 young people from Hibiscus Coast Parish to World Youth Day in Lisbon. Venue: St John's 180 Centreway Rd. Orewa 7-9pm. 20th May Ample parking and light refreshments available.

Executive Secretary of the Justice & Peace

Commission The Diocese seeks an enthusiastic committed person to work as Executive Secretary of the Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission to promote, encourage and support justice and peace initiatives in the Diocese. The position is full time, with some flexibility around this. See <u>www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz</u> under Diocesan Services and Staff Vacancies Applications close 5pm Wednesday 24 May 2023.

From St Leo's

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

Mother's Day High Tea

On Sunday the St Leo's PTFA alongside our sponsors Barfoot and Thompson organised an amazing, and successful high tea. This event was held at the Devonport Yacht Club. Everyone had a great time

and some wonderful prizes were auctioned. A huge thank you to everyone who supported us and made this



event a memorable one. We are looking forward to next year's high tea. Tickets do sell out fast so do pencil this in if you are planning to come. It is always held on a Sunday before the Mother's Day weekend.

Garden to Table

This week the students baked cauliflower muffins. The children enjoyed measuring and putting their mathematical skills to test. I hear next week they will be making choko chips.

God Bless, Vimi Chandra Principal

Join the Caritas Team! This is an exciting opportunity to work within a Catholic organization, that's committed to the mission of Christ. These roles will see you support our work advocating for human dignity, justice, peace and the needs of the most vulnerable. Joining our team will see you connect our work with the world and provide you with the opportunity to practice your faith in a practical way. At Caritas, it's our mission to be known as 'love in action', if you want to join us in this, email us on <u>Caritas@caritas.org.nz</u> or see the link below for more information. <u>https://www.caritas.org.nz/workwith-us</u>

Feast Days in the Sixth Week of Easter

- Thu 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.
- Sat 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. Died in 1444.

Interesting articles this week in CathNews NZ (newsletter@cathnews.co.nz) Free subscription

- Kissinger warns of the potential catastrophic danger of artificial intelligence
- Class Size reductions in NZ Integrated schools probably costly, for little gain.
- Canada's slippery slope: assisted dying numbers surge
- Doctrine of Discovery (growing recognition of indigenous peoples) important for NZ
- Mary Harrington's new book: Women are women

News, Comment and Analysis about and of interest to the Catholic Church.

Praver and Reflection Every Week:

Rosary	Monday 6pm			
Meditative Prayer	Monday 6.30			
Scripture Reflection	Wed. 7-8pm			
All are welcome—come and see!				

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purpose of your donation as reference e.g. AV system, General)

St Leo's Catholic School: (09) 445-9339 www.stleos.school.nz St Leo's Catholic School Principal: Vimi Chandra Bishop's Reps: Clare Wilde, Steven Albrecht, Anna Rumble

Parish Office Hours: Mon, 9-12.30 Tues, Thurs, Fri 9:00am to 1:00pm closed Wednesdays Parish Newsletter: (Publication Deadline 9am THURS.) Masses next weekend Vigil Sat : 5.30pm, Sun: 9.30am Masses This Week Wednesday and Friday 12 noon, Saturday 9 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: after 9 am Saturday Mass.

Other Ministries Flowers 12/05 Gayle Kalaugher 19/05 Elizabeth Light

Church Cleaning 25/05 Elaine and Les

Counters

14/05 Arthur Whelan & Frances Downs 21/05 Denise and Karl

> Hospitality 14/05 Norrene 21/05 Francisca

Altar Servers 14/05 Bella and Chiara Albrecht 21/05 Ben & Rosemary Dobbs, May Upton