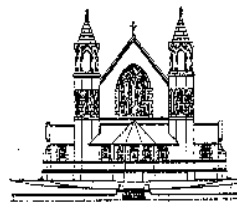




DEVONPORT CATHOLIC
PARISH
St Francis de Sales & All Souls
2a Albert Road, Devonport, Auckland, 0624



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD MAY 21 ST, 2023



Jesus rose from the dead. *Alleluia*
Jesus ascended into heaven. *Alleluia*
Jesus will come again. *Alleluia*

The kingdom of Jesus will not end. *Alleluia*
Alleluia!

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 petg@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 Parish Registration - St. Francis de Sales and All Souls Church (devonportcatholic.org.nz)



DO GOOD; SEEK JUSTICE.
(Isaiah 1: 17)



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
21—28 May 2023

Having received the one baptism, we, as believers, are called above all to give thanks because, starting with the waters of baptism, our very existence has been reconciled with God, with others, and with all creation. As reconciled sons and daughters, we are called to work tirelessly for reconciliation among ourselves, and to be agents of reconciliation in our world.

“Do good; seek justice” (Is 1:17). In those words, we hear an echo of our baptism, which calls us, justified by grace, to carry out works of justice and to offer concrete gestures of closeness to the victims of injustice, marginalization and various forms of oppression, especially war. As witnesses of faith in Christ, who immersed himself in the frailty of our human condition, we are duty bound to immerse ourselves in the wounds of all those in need. And to do this together.

(From the address of Pope Francis to Ecumenical Delegation from Finland, 19 January 2023)

You are invited ...

Prayer Service at Takapuna Methodist Church, Friday 26 May, 7.00pm

Only one verse of the entire New Testament makes chronological reference to the Ascension. In Acts 1:3, Luke states that Jesus continued to appear to the disciples for forty days after the resurrection. He goes on to present his account of Jesus being taken up into heaven.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD — *Christ's Eternal Glory*

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 in heaven.

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

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28 May The Spirit Of Life

Acts 2:1-11 They were all filled with the Spirit and began to speak.

Psalm 104: Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

1Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13 In the one Spirit we were all baptised.

John 20:19-23 As the Father sent me, so I am sending you: receive the Holy Spirit.

Ministries	Sat May 20	Sun May 21	Situation Vacant De Paul House Property Maintenance Part of team for 45 North Shore properties. Practical skilled handyman to cover all aspects of maintenance to ensure the properties are kept to a high standard. A varied role for a physically fit and motivated person. Must be eligible to work in NZ. Have a full, clean NZ Drivers Licence. For a full job description contact admin@depaulhouse.org.nz or visit website https://www.depaulhouse.org.nz/work
Welcome:	Shawn Pearce-Blom	Linda Lampen-Smith	
Readers:	Nicky Witham-Blackwell Steve Burke	Kate Kearins Gerard Dobbs	
Communion:	Kitt Isidro	Adrienne Ramskill	
Ministries	Sat May 27	Sun May 28	
Welcome:	Kath Petrie	Anne Gibson	
Readers:	Damian Wallis Liz McMaster	Mary Lyttleton John Knight	
Communion:	Lisa Mannion	Iain Gillies	

Let us remember those whose who have died recently or whose anniversaries occur at this time:

May 21: Kathleen Hennelly 1938, William Kearney 1986

May 22: Michael Tierney 1983, Raymond Sandford 2004

May 23: George Wynne 1959, Laura Mayo-Gaskill 1994

May 24: May Harris 1987, Ramona Chubb 2006, Brendan Meehan 2022

May 26: Catherine Boate 1954, Norman Crombie 1962, Norman Barnett 2009

May 27: James Simmonds 1954, Benjamin Steklin 1994, Jan Corbett 2010

Rosary 6pm& Meditation 6.30 Mondays Scripture 7pm Wednesdays

Kidz Corner and Parent Ponderings—Family Prayer Resources

Seventh Sunday of Easter

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/The-ASCENSION-of-the-LORD.pdf>

The Brick, Boy and a Wheelchair

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/The-Brick-boy-and-a-wheelchair.pdf>

What's happening in the diocese? Find out what has been happening around the diocese and details about what is coming in the latest edition of the CDA Connect <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/services/cda-connect/>

From the Diocese

Mass of the Neophytes All those baptised or received into full communion at Easter or throughout the last 12 months are invited by Bishop Steve to join him at the Cathedral of St Patrick and St Joseph for this Mass celebrating the gift of faith and acknowledging these newest members of the Church. Family, sponsors, RCIA team members and members of the diocese are all invited. **28 May 4.30pm**

Seminar at Mary MacKillop Centre Chapel Mission Bay **Liturgy for a New Church: the Challenge of Real Participation** Facilitators: Jo Ayers and Fr Neil Darragh, Saturday 17 June; 10am – 2pm, \$30 waged/ \$20 unwaged. Registrations: Sr Julian Ph 09 528 1801 **See Poster**

The NZ Catholic Medical Association provides pastoral care and chaplaincy for people involved in health care. We extend an invitation to doctors, nurses, midwives, carers, pharmacists, physiotherapists, psychologists, counsellors, social workers, chaplains, dentists, health administrators, lawyers, and anyone in allied roles. Retreat and Seminar 9-10 June 2023, based at the Home of Compassion, Island Bay, Wellington. Register for this event at www.newzealandcatholicmedical.co.nz For general inquiries and updates for future events, email: newzealandcatholicmedical@gmail.com

Free Books: As a result of the cull of the library the Diocese has a number of books available for collection from Pompallier Diocesan Centre, 30 New Street, Auckland. The books will be available for collection between 9.30am and 3.30pm Monday to Friday until Friday 26 May. More details at: aucklandcatholic.org.nz/books/

G.I.F.T. Pentecost Mass Wednesday 24th May at 7pm at the G.I.F.T. Centre, 28 Telford Ave, Mt Eden. Intellectually disabled people, families, and support workers **welcome**. Supper afterwards.

From St Leo's

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

Garden to Table

This week the students made choko fritters. We are finally trying out new recipes using the chokos. The children were excited to use the food processor and were amazed at how easy it is to chop up vegetables.

Mother's Day High Tea

We raised \$10 500 and we would like to thank everyone who were able to make it. St Leo's is truly blessed to have such a wonderful community.

Open day

We are having an open day on 26 May. If you know of any families whose children are starting school or are interested in visiting our beautiful kura, please let them know.

God Bless, Vimi Chandra
Principal



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St Leo's Catholic School is looking for homestays for International students from China. They will be here for varying lengths of time between 17 July and 25 August. It will be one child and a parent requiring accommodation.

There will be payment for the accommodation.

Any questions or offers of help please contact Renee on 4459339 during office hours.

Feast Days in the Seventh Week of Easter

- **Mon 22 May:** Optional for **St Rita of Cascia, religious**. Born at Spoleto, Italy, 1381. Wanted to enter a convent, but was forced into an arranged marriage, which was unhappy as her husband was violent. Rita was always faithful though, and after the death of her husband, and then her two sons, she was admitted to the convent of the Augustinian nuns at Cascia in Umbria. Died in 1457.
- **Wed 24 May:** Memorial for **Mary, Help of Christians**. This feast was instituted by Pope Pius VII. It commemorates the many times Our Lady has helped and interceded on behalf of faithful Christians over the years.
- **Thu 25 May:** Optional for **St Bede the Venerable, priest and doctor of the Church**. Born 673 near the monastery of Wearmouth, which he entered, was ordained, and lived a life of study and contemplation. His holiness was renowned in his lifetime. His remarkable writings, have endured.
- **Thu 25 May:** : Optional memorial for **St Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, virgin**. Born in Florence 1566, died 1607. Spent most of her life in a non-reformed Carmelite house. Lived in prayer and self-denial, offering herself for the reform of the Church and its spiritual renewal. Many of her spiritual experiences and visions were written down.
- **Thu 25 May:** Optional memorial for **St Gregory VII, pope**. Born in Tuscany 1028. Known as the monk Hildebrand. Elected pope 1073. Primarily concerned with the reform of the Church, which brought him into conflict with the emperor, Henry IV, and he was forced to flee to Salerno, where he died in 1085.
- **Fri 26 May:** Memorial for **St Philip Neri, priest**. Born in Florence 1515, spent most of his life in Rome. A man of the Renaissance, yet truly Christian: he enjoyed discussion; worked for the sick, the poor, prisoners; a man of prayer devoted to the Blessed Sacrament. Ordained in 1551, he formed the Oratory in which services of spiritual reading and singing were held. His Christianity was full of joy and vigour.
- **Sat 27 May:** Optional memorial for **St Augustine of Canterbury, bishop**. 605.

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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

19/05 Elizabeth Light

26/05 Leslee Burtton

Church Cleaning

25/05 Elaine and Les

Counters

21/05 Denise and Karl

28/05 Kate Kearins and John
Knight

Hospitality

21/05 Francisca

28/05 Pauline

Altar Servers

21/05 Ben & Rosemary Dobbs,
May Upton

28/05 Joseph Wolfkamp,
Maria Branco