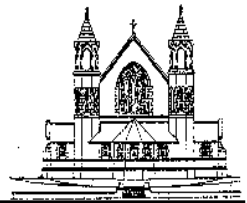




DEVONPORT CATHOLIC
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St Francis de Sales & All Souls
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22ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 3RD, 2023

*My soul is thirsting for you
my God.*



Psalm 62

How do I
nourish my
spiritual life,
my thirst for
God?

From the AGM

Thanks to those who attended or who sent apologies. Minutes will be sent out with the weekly email.
Sincere thanks to those who have served in the last year on the PPC—Eileen Pearce, Linda Lampen-Smith and Andrew Skokandich—and congratulations to those who have been elected for 23-24., especially those who are continuing for a further year.
PPC members will be commissioned at Masses this weekend.

Happy Fathers' Day

For some thoughtful reading on "What makes a good dad?"

See Greg Erlandson's article in the latest issue of NZ Catholic.

He contrasts the parenting styles portrayed in Succession and Ted Lasso,
Very topical !

**Social Justice Week -3—9 Sept
2023**

Each year, the Catholic Bishops of New Zealand set aside a week in September to consider an issue of social justice in New Zealand.

This year the focus is on peace and the need to recognize and grow peace within yourself. Peace is not primarily about doing. It is first of all the art of being. Spend time during the week of 3 to 9 September reflecting on a personal spirituality of peace.

Imagine Peace For All

Pohewatia te Rangimārie mō te Katoa

For resources and more information visit:
<http://caritas.org.nz/parishes/social-justice-week>

Our Columbarium - a place to remember those who have died, and to share our communion with them.

20 people expressed interest in buying a niche for ashes last week, but we need at least 50 to be able to start construction once the Bishop has given permission. Please consider whether this could provide a resting place for you or your family.

The cost per niche is \$3000, but no money is payable at this stage. Contact: Kath in Parish Office or Alan Light 021 1589306

AV Systems upgrade

We are getting very close to our target of \$30K—now at \$25,500. Thank You!!!

Paul and Jesus conspire together to present us with tough teaching. Paul counsels the Romans “not to model yourselves on the behaviour of the world...but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind.” Jesus rebukes Peter “because the way you think is not God’s way but man’s”. The choice is put before us. Do we allow ourselves to take the easy path of conformity with “the way of the world”, or do we choose the way of Jesus which he warns is a way of the cross.

22ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME *Christ who Overcame The Reluctance Of The Flesh*

Jeremiah 20:7-9 The word of the Lord has meant insult for me.

Psalms 63: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Romans 12:1-2 Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice.

Matthew 16:21-27 If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself.

23RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME *10 Sept Christ Who Paid The Debt Of Love*

Ezekiel 33:7-9 If you do not speak to the wicked man, I will hold you responsible for his death.

Psalms 95: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Romans 13:8-10 Love is the answer to every one of the commandments

Matthew 18:15-20 If he listens to you, you have won back your brother.

Ministries	Sat 2 September	Sun 3 September
Welcome:	Shawn Pearce-Blom	Karen Rawlinson
Readers:	Damian Wallis Steve Burke	Mary Lyttleton John Knight
Communion:	Riaan Blom	Flo Sapa’u
Ministries	Sat 9 September	Sun 10 September
Welcome:	Natalie Payne	Anne Gibson
Readers:	Liz McMaster Robert Mannion	Nevil Gibson Sarah Sparks
Communion:	Lisa Mannion	Maryanne Offner

Praying through the week
 Mondays **Rosary** 6pm
Meditation 6.30
 Tuesdays **Choir Practice**
 7pm
 Wednesdays
Scripture 7pm
 New faces/voices welcome!

Online Prayer Resources:
 Pray as You Go—download app.

Creighton University Daily Scripture Reflections:
onlineministries.creighton

Food for Faith: fff.org.nz

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

- Sep 03:** Ella Bannon 1907
- Sep 04:** Margaret Sheffield 1962
- Sep 05:** Rhoda Fraser 1977, Patricia Baldwin 2005
- Sep 06:** William Willis 1953, John Yalland 1985, Gerald Candy 2014
- Sep 07:** Clara Mallett 1950, Ellen Taylor 1955
- Sep 08:** Sarah Porter 1944
- Sep 09:** Eileen Mahony 1982, Alphonsus Sheehan 1991, Una Bell 2020

Women in the Bible with Kieran Fenn fms.
 Mondays, 04/11/18 Sep, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.
 Fee: \$20/session or \$45 for 3 sessions. All sessions are connect but also stand alone.
<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/07/10/women-in-the-bible/>

Liturgical Spaces with Prof Thomas O’Loughlin.
 Series on Muffin Talk radio programme freely available online at:
<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/07/17/liturgical-space-thomas-oloughlin/>

From the Diocese.

Please note changes in outreach to young people, including tertiary students:

Diocesan Youth and Young Adult Ministry

www.facebook.com/AKCYM

www.instagram.com/acym2

Contact Sam Brebner – samb@cda.org.nz

Catholic University Ministry

[www.facebook.com/](http://www.facebook.com/AucklandCatholicChaplaincy)

[AucklandCatholicChaplaincy](http://www.facebook.com/AucklandCatholicChaplaincy)

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Holy Cross Seminary, Ponsonby would like to invite you to join in our celebration of the **Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.**

Bishop Michael Gielen will be presiding. Mass will be celebrated at 7pm on Monday, 11 September 2023 at Sacred Heart Parish, 16 Vermont Street, Ponsonby, Auckland. Light refreshments will be served at Holy Cross Seminary, 44 Vermont Street, Ponsonby, Auckland after Mass. .

Unlock the Power of the Holy Spirit. Explore the Charisms of the Holy Spirit and unlock their power for blessing others and building church community. Speaker: Susilo Kentjana. Sept 9th, 9.30am - 3pm at Sacred Heart Church hall, Ponsonby. BYO lunch. All welcome. No charge but \$10 koha appreciated. Registration compulsory at [bit.ly/unlock-power](https://catholiccharismatic.org.nz/) or on <https://catholiccharismatic.org.nz/>

St Joseph's Catholic School , Onehunga If you are a Past Pupil, Staff member or BoT member - we would love to hear from you.

We are celebrating our 175th Anniversary Fri 27, Sat 28 and Sun 29 October 2023 Contact Melanie Duarte @mduarte@sjs.school.nz to register your interest.

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

Playhouse Show - Treasure Island

Last week on Friday the whole school joined Vauxhall School to watch 'Treasure Island', a play organised by NZ Playhouse. The students enjoyed the show and joined in respectfully. It was great for tamariki to see some wonderful acting skills.

Grandparents Day

On Wednesday the school invited grandparents and whanau for a special Grandparents Day. We started off with a beautiful liturgy and it was great to have our choir and kapa haka perform.

The students then showed their grandparents and whanau

around the school. It was pleasing to hear some lovely

feedback

about how amazing our kura is.



God Bless,

Vimi Cahndra, Principal

The annual St Leo's school fair will be held on Sunday 26 November from 11am. If you can help with :

- Help on a stall on the day of the fair. This can be for part or all of the time.
- Sponsors for our fair (if you are interested in this we can send you the sponsor letters).
- People to make preserves, sweets and cakes.

please contact Renee on 4459339 (during school hours) or email office@stleos.school.nz

Feast Days in the Twenty-first Week of Ordinary Time

- **Tue 5 Sept:** Optional for **St Teresa of Kolkata**. Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu was born 26 August 1910 in Skopje. Died 5 Sept 1997 in Kolkata India. Took the name Teresa after joining the Sisters of Loretto. Founder of the Missionaries of Charity devoted to the care of the poor, destitute and outcast, especially the dying. Canonised 4th Sept 2016.
- **Fri 8 Sept: Feast Of The NATIVITY of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.** Today we celebrate with joyful hearts the birth of the Virgin Mary, of whom was born the sun of justice, Christ our Lord. Held up by the Church as the greatest of all the saints, Mary's birthday has been celebrated on this date since the seventh century. (Micah 5:1-4 or Roms 8:28-30, Ps 13:6-7, Mt 1:1-16, 18-23).
- **Sat 9 Sept:** Optional for **St Peter Claver, priest**. Born Catalonia 1580. Entered Jesuit Order. Inspired to go to the Indies. Landed 1610 at Cartagena (modern Colombia), principal slave market for the New World, where 1,000 African slaves landed each month. He worked tirelessly for 33yrs to help them both spiritually and physically. Also worked for the abolition of the slave trade.

ADULT CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME: Saint Joseph's Takapuna is offering a preparation course on Thursday evenings at 7pm (7, 14, 21, 28 September 2023).

Family Prayer resources for next week.

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/TwentyThird-SUNDAY-of-OT.pdf>

I Am With You Always <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/I-AM-WITH-YOU-ALWAYS.pdf>

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Pastoral Assistant: Stephen Bell

Parish Secretary: Kathleen Petrie

Parish Bank Account: BNZ 02-0108- 0706881-000

(If making a donation for a specific purpose, please note that as reference e.g. AV)

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, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9:00am to 12 noon
closed Wednesdays**

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

Masses next weekend

Sat : 5.30pm, Sun: 9.30am

Masses this week

Wednesday and Friday 12 noon, Saturday 9 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: after 9 am Mass Saturday

Ministry Reminders

Flowers

1/09 Gayle Kalaugher

8/09 Elizabeth Light

Church Cleaning

1/09 Dobbs Family

16/09 Anne Feeney

Counters

3/08 Denise & Karl

10/08 Kate Kearins & John Knight

Hospitality

3/09 Mia Dobbs

10/09 Karen Rawlinson

Altar Servers

3/09 Ben & Rosemary Dobbs

10/09 James Farrell & Maria Branco

Children's Liturgy Leaders

3/09 Julia Strickett & Claire Gillies

10/09 Steven Albrecht & Anna Rumble