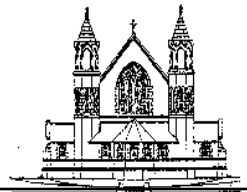


DEVONPORT CATHOLIC
PARISH
St Francis de Sales & All Souls
2a Albert Road, Devonport, Auckland, 0624



32ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 12TH 2023

**So stay awake,
because you do not
know either the day
or the hour.**



Ready for the New Year?

On Sunday December 3rd we move into the liturgical season of Advent, and the start of a new Church Year (B). The main Gospel readings for the year will be from the Gospel of Mark, the oldest and shortest of the 4 Gospels. If you would like to know more about Mark's Gospel, which shows that Jesus' leadership is not about greatness but about service, why not join 2 Zoom sessions on Mondays 13 & 20 November, 7-8.30 pm with Kieran Fenn fms? Kieran is a Bible scholar who has spent more than 40 years in Adult Education. Fee: Koha.

For more information and registration :
www.studyjoy.nz

A Nativity Float in the Santa Parade?

The Christian churches of Belmont Devonport are promoting this. Please contact Kath in the Parish Office to help.

The members of the Parish Pastoral Council were commissioned in September. We are only 7 members, including Fr Neil, but you have trusted us with the task of continuing our Mission as a Parish. How are we doing so far? Do you want to know more about what's going on? Do you have some ideas you'd like to share?



Don't leave us in the dark!

It's very rare that we get any feedback, and usually it's just a comment after Mass. We encourage you to send an email with your thoughts to office@devonportcatholic.org.nz or to write a note for the Suggestion Box at the back of the Church

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 8 December 12.30-2 pm and 5.30 –7 pm.

Following a suggestion made at the AGM, the Parish Council would like to see if there is a group who would like to take part in this traditional way of worship. You can stay for some or all of each session, There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church.

FORMATION OF PARISH LITURGY MINISTERS

Ministry of Communion:

Sunday 12 November 4-5pm, in the church, followed by wine & cheese.

32ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

The Bridegroom Is Here!

Wisdom 6:12-16 Wisdom is found by those who look for her.

Psalm 62: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

1Thessalonians 4:13-18 God will bring with him those who have died in Jesus.

Matthew 25:1-13 The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him.

33RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

19 Nov

Christ, The Head Of His Household

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 A perfect wife — who can find her?

Psalm 128: Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

1Thessalonians 5:1-6 Let not the day of the Lord overtake you like a thief.

Matthew 25:14-30 You have been faithful in small things; come and join in your master’s happiness.

Ministries	Sat 11 November	Sun 12 November
Welcome:	Kath Petrie	Emma Mackie-Watts
Readers:	Nicki Witham-Blackwell Robert Mannion	Ben Upton Kate Kearins
Communion:	Janet Monga	Flo Sapa’u
Ministries	Sat 18 November	Sun 19 November
Welcome:	Shawn Pearce-Blom	Greg Shanahan
Readers:	Steve Burke Damian Wallis	Mary Lyttleton Gerard Dobbs
Communion:	Mila Burke	Iain Gillies

Praying through the week
Mondays Rosary 6pm
Meditation 6.30
Tuesdays Choir Practice 7pm
Wednesdays 7pm
Scripture Group, reflecting on next week’s Readings.

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

- Nov 13:** James Gilbert 1943, Catherine Hayson 1960, Brendan Fagan 2015, Kath Clarke 2018
- Nov 14:** Margaret Dunne 1917, Shaun McKay 2010
- Nov 16:** Jane Murphy 1936, Albert Bartley 1940
- Nov 17:** Esmond Cooper 1999
- Nov 18:** Ian Haines 1988, Peter Galligan 2004, Molly Hickey 2009
- Nov 19:** Harold Brock 2001

Interested in studying Theology? The Theology Programme at the University of Otago offers a wide range of papers and qualifications, all available via distance learning. For further information go to www.otago.ac.nz/theology or ph 0800 80 80 98 or 03 479 8639. See <https://tinyurl.com/theologyotagovideo>

From the Property and Finance Committee: October Report

Collections	Oct –23 NZ\$	Oct-22 NZ\$
Cash	1,053	1,108
Envelopes	506	703
AP	7,584	8,184
Eftpos	430	370
	<u>9,574</u>	<u>10,365</u>

The seventh **National March for Life** will take place on **Saturday 2 December**, in Wellington to promote the beauty and dignity of human life from conception. Leaflets at back of church.

FROM THE DIOCESE

Life Teen Aotearoa Summer Camp

Registrations are closing! So if you are ready to help lead your teens closer to Christ and have the #bestsummerever then go to www.lifeteen.nz to register your group or to apply as a Summer Missionary. Contact samuelb@cda.org.nz for queries.

Carmel College Christmas Market by the

Lake - Saturday 18 November - 10am-3pm - 108 Shakespeare Road, Milford. Come along and wander around over 65 stalls. Indulge in great food from our food trucks, and enjoy live performances throughout the day. There will be plenty of chances to win, with some amazing prizes up for grabs in the raffle.

Marriage & Family

Are you passionate about the Sacrament of marriage? Would you be interested in training to become Marriage Educators through the Marriage and Family Life Ministry at the Catholic Diocese of Auckland? We are looking for couples who have been married for 5 plus years and have about 2 - 6 hours a week free to guide couples through a Catholic marriage preparation course .For more information email: marriageandfamily@cda.org.nz or call Gerry on **M:021 02247442**.

Catholic Hospitality in New Zealand and Australia, payment per night is \$50 for one guest and \$30 for each additional guest, e.g. a couple would pay \$80 per. night for bed and continental breakfast. This is a wonderful way for Catholics to meet and enjoy the company of other Catholics . To purchase a book of details of hosts contact Marie Anderson, 03 3595541 or email marie.ian@xtra.co.nz

See posters at back of Church for other upcoming events

News from St Leo's.

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

Garden to Table

This week St Patrick students made cauliflower garlic bread. I must say, it smelt delicious and looked like all the students enjoyed it as the plates came back empty. This is something I will be trying out in the holidays. Renee has been working hard with the students planting new seasonal vegetables. More recipes for St Patricks to try out.

Sculpture

OnShore

This week St Leo's visited sculpture onshore and were amazed at the wonderful sculptures towering over them. They enjoyed looking at other school exhibitions and had discussions around what messages the sculptures portrayed.



God Bless. Vimi Chandra, Principal

St Leo's Board invites parishioners to consider sponsoring a child's Attendance Dues for 2024. These are the compulsory dues charged by the Diocese, total \$516 per year or \$129 per term. What a great way to support our young Catholic community and grow the school roll. Donations are tax deductible. Contact School 445 9339 if you can help.

Feast Days in the Thirty-second Week of Ordinary Time

- **Wed 15 Nov:** Optional for **St Albert the Great, bishop & doctor of the Church.** Born about 1200. Member of the Order of Preachers, and a teacher of Thomas Aquinas. Dedicated to study and writing, his many works of theology and philosophy foreshadow those of his more famous pupil. Albert died in 1280.
- **Thurs 9 Nov:** Optional for **St Margaret of Scotland.** Born 1045, perhaps in Hungary, she took refuge in the court of Malcolm III of Scotland after Battle of Hastings, then married him in 1070. She lived with great piety, spending her time in prayer, fasting and caring for the poor. Used her position to reform abuses of the time.
- **Fri 10 Nov:** Memorial for **St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious.** Born 1207, daughter of the King of Hungary, married in 1221 to Louis the Landgrave of Thuringia. She turned to the ascetic life, influenced by Franciscans she met in Germany. After Louis died on Crusade in 1227, she lived in austerity, visiting the poor and caring for the sick. died 1231.
- **Sat 11 Nov:** Optional for the **Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter and Paul.** The tomb of St Peter in the Vatican was the site for the basilica of St Peter built by Constantine in 330. The basilica of St Paul was built about the end of the 4th century. These two sites have always been centres of Christian pilgrimage.

Kidz Korner: [Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time](https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/Thirty-Second-SUNDAY-of-OT-2.pdf)

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

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 during the week

Wednesday and Friday 12 noon, Saturday 9 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: after Mass on Saturday,

Ministry Reminders

Flowers

10/11 Leslee Burton

17/11 Margaret Pereira

Church Cleaning

11/11 Dobbs Family

25/11 Christopher Drake

Counters

12/11 Denise & Karl

19/11 Kate Kearins & John Knight

Hospitality

12/11 Fiona Brunton

19/11 Karen Rawlinson

Altar Servers

12/11 James Farrell, May Upton

19/11 Leo Radford

Children's Liturgy Leaders

12/11 Mary-Jane and Millie Lendich

19/11 Steven Albrecht & Claire Gillies