

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



CHRIST THE KING NOVEMBER 26TH 2023



We continue to pray for peace in the Middle East, beginning with a cessation of hostilities and aid for all those in need. Prayer cards from Aid to the Church in Need are available at the back of the church.



Our Devonport SVDP is being increasingly asked for help by local families.

Your donations through the food basket at the back of the church, or as money given through the SVDP box at the back of the church are very much appreciated. You can also donate online to the ANZ 01-0137-0030606-00

Notes from the Liturgy Committee

- * The Liturgy Committee is currently preparing for the seasons of Advent and Christmas.
- * The recent formation sessions for our liturgical ministers have been well attended with positive feedback; the social time after each session has proved popular.
- * Next weekend during Mass (the First Sunday of Advent), all of our ministers (Welcome, Word, Communion) will be Commissioned for the coming year.
- * A decision has been made by the committee to end the advertising of a Saturday morning Mass, beginning in the New Year (after Christmas). At the same time the sacrament of Reconciliation (Rite 1) will become available at 5.00pm on Saturday evenings, being no longer available on Saturday morning. The Wednesday and Friday Mass times of 12pm will stay the same for the foreseeable future. It is feasible that the Saturday morning Mass could be reinstated in the future if there is demand for it **and** we can guarantee the availability of a priest each week, and people capable and willing to lead a Liturgy of Word & Communion when a priest is not available.

RITE 2 RECONCILIATION FOR ADVENT. 7 PM HERE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th Who are the "masters of the universe"? Is it those who pull the levers of the global financial markets? Is it the heads of state who command vast military forces? Is it the media moguls who control the flow of information. In 1925 Pope Pius XI decided it was time to throw down the gauntlet to the hostile powers of the world. He established the feast of Christ the King to let the world know where ultimate authority lies.

34th Sunday of Ordinary Time Jesus Christ, Universal King

Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17 As for you, my sheep, I will judge between sheep and sheep. Psalm 23: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1Corinthians 15:20-26,28 He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father; so that God may be all in all.

Matthew 25:31-46 He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate people one from another .

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 3 Dec Waiting For The Lord

Isaiah 63:16-17;64:1,3-8 Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down. **Psalm 80: Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved. ICorinthians 1:3-9** We are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed.

Mark 13:33-37 Stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming.

			Praying through the week
Ministries	Sat 25 November	Sun 26 November	Mondays Rosary 6pm
Welcome:	Natalie Paine	Anne Gibson	Meditation 6.30
Readers:	Nicky Witham-Blackwell	John Knight	Tuesdays Choir Practice 7pm
	Robert Mannion	Vanessa Baldey	Wednesdays 7pm
Communion	: Lisa Mannion	Kate Casey	Scripture Group, reflecting on
Ministries	Sat 2 December	Sun 3 December	next week's Readings.
Welcome:	Kath Petrie	Karen Rawlinson	
Readers:	Damian Wallis	Yem Braid	The seventh National March
	Robert Mannion Deni	se O'Shaughnessy	for Life will take place on
Communion	: Kitt Isidro	Maryanne Offner	Saturday 2 December, in
month of All Souls, for those who have died recently or whose anniversaries occur at this time: Nov 27: Michael Mahony 1914 Nov 28: William McCarthy 1922, Fenella Wright 1961			beauty and dignity of human life from conception. Leaflets at back of church. NORTH SHORE DOVE FELLOWSHIP The November meeting will be on Wednesday, the 29th at 7:30 p.m. at St. Thomas More Church hall, 336 Wairau Road, Glenfield. This is our last meeting of the year and our scripture is from Revelation 7: 17 For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."
 Nov 29: Mary Kelly 1914, Helena McMinn 1924 Nov 30: George Sinclair 1962, Justin Farrell 2003 Dec 01: Mario Isidro 1934, Patricia Bolger 1952, Kathleen Dolan 1996, Patrick Baker 2000, Patricia Vieyra 2003 Dec 02: Victor (Vic) Clarke 2020 Dec 03: Tony Pearce 1984, Kathleen Sandford 1994 			
Small Fundraiser for operational costs of care home for 6 poor, elderly residents in Fort Portal, Uganda: after both Masses on weekend of Sat & Sun 2 & 3 December (weather permitting). We are selling fig trees, avocados, jam, cupcakes, Christmas and general cards, a pink baby quilt and a raffle with 4 prizes, to be drawn 7 December.			

FROM THE DIOCESE

* Witnesses of Faith Event – Thursday, 30 November, 7 – 9 pm. Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph, Auckland.

The Pontifical Foundation, *Aid to the Church in Need* (ACN) invites you to a unique and inspirational event in support of the suffering and persecuted Church. The evening will include a time to raise our hearts in prayer and solidarity with the more than 200,000,000 Christians globally, who today suffer for their faith. A light supper will be served afterwards where you can meet the speakers. **More info and to register :** www.aidtochurch.org/witnesses or email info@aidtochurch.org

Taize Prayer for Advent, Friday 8 December at 7pm, Mary MacKillop Chapel, 56 Selwyn Ave, Mission Bay graphic attached Advent Retreat Day Mary MacKillop Retreat Centre, 56 Selwyn Ave, Mission Bay Led by Sr Jill McLoughlin, Saturday 9 December 10am – 3pm, \$30 waged/\$20 unwaged Registrations by December 7th MBSpirituality@sosj.org.au MOB 0210710277

Jesus the Good Shepherd invites you for a family growth camp, "Hearts on Fire". Young or old, this is a camp for all ages.

International Speakers – Ralph Martin and Joe Heschmeyer, live on Zoom, from the US. Mass with Fr Nathaniel Brazil. Friday 1st Dec 5pm to Sunday 3rd Dec 2pm. Sonshine Ranch, 223 Creightons Rd, Clevedon Cost (including meals and accommodation): per person \$100; children - 5 to 10yrs \$50; and under 5s free. Teachings, Eucharist, Music, Food, Games, Christmas Carols, Bonfire. Register by 20 Nov at <u>bit.ly/</u>

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News from St Leo's.

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

Thanks to all those parishioners who have donated goods for the fair, or offered to help. Please come across the road after Mass this Sunday for a cuppa and a wander among all the goodies on offer. Bargains galore. We need all your support.



JOSHUA CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP NTH SHORE

The end of year meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Wed 29 Nov 23 at St Joseph's Centre, Takapuna. It will be a celebratory gathering for the successful year we have had. We warmly invite all men together with their wives/ partners for a shared meal and fellowship. Please bring a plate. Refreshments will be available. You may bring a friend. For more information contact Russell 022 034 5678.

Feast Days in the Thirty-fourth Week of Ordinary Time

•	Thurs 30 Nov: Feast for St Andrew, apostle. A fisherman, like his brother St Peter. Born in
	Bethsaida, a disciple of John the Baptist at first. Mentioned several times in the gospels, he
	brought the Gentiles to Jesus. Is thought to have preached in Scythia, and to have been
	martyred at Patras in Achaia. Patron of fishermen.

Praying for The Dead During November The month of November is the traditional time to particularly remember and pray for all who have died, beginning with the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day) on November 2nd. Our church was officially opened on 2nd Nov 1919 by Bishop Cleary who dedicated it to All Souls. You are invited to write the names of departed loved ones on the paper provided in church — these will be placed at the altar during the month of November. Kidz Korner: https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/ uploads/2023/11/Our-Lord-JESUS-CHRIST.pdf Next Sunday: **Celebrating ADVENT Week One** https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/ Celebrating-ADVENT-Week-one-HOPE.pdf Address: 2A Albert Road, Devonport, Auckland, 0624 **Ministry Reminders** Tel: +64 (09) 445-0078 Flowers Email: office@devonportcatholic.org.nz 24/11 Anne Gibson Website: www.devonportcatholic.org.nz 1/12 Jr O'Rourke Facebook: St Francis de Sales & All Souls Church Cleaning Parish Priest: Rev Fr Neil Darragh neil@devonportcatholic.org.nz Pastoral Assistant: Stephen Bell 25/11 Christopher Drake Parish Secretary: Kathleen Petrie 9/12 Sasha Radford Parish Bank Account: BNZ 02-0108-0706881-000 Counters (If making a donation for a specific purpose, please note that as 26/11 Maria& Jeremy reference e.g. Winetasting) Fleming St Leo's Catholic School: (09) 445-9339 www.stleos.school.nz 3/12 Shyrelle& Brian St Leo's Catholic School Principal: Vimi Chandra Mitchell Bishop's Reps: Clare Wilde, Steven Albrecht, Anna Rumble Hospitality Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9:00am to 12 noon 26/11 Shelley/ St Leo's Fair closed Wednesdays 3/12 Susan Reeves Parish Newsletter: (Publication Deadline 9am THURS.) Altar Servers Masses next weekend 26/11 Ben & Rosemary Dobbs Sat : 5.30pm, Sun: 9.30am 3/12 Joseph Wolfkamp Masses during the week Children's Liturgy Leaders Wednesday and Friday 12 noon, Saturday 9 am. 26/11 Catherine & Isla Gillies Sacrament of Reconciliation: after Mass on Saturday 3/12 TBA

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