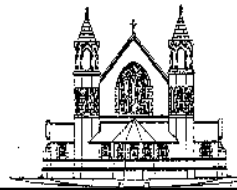




DEVONPORT CATHOLIC  
PARISH  
St Francis de Sales & All Souls  
2a Albert Road, Devonport, Auckland, 0624



PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY MARCH 24TH , 2024



Bless us with hosannas  
with green life blooming in the deserts of  
hate  
with the strength of Christ's love for all  
and with the certainty of death and  
resurrection,  
God of all times, Amen.



A huge thank you to all those who gave up their afternoons on any or all of the last 4 Sundays to continue the "Synodal Conversation". The Parish Council will send the wider report to the Diocese for October '24 and will report back on local themes and actions following their next meeting.

**Thank You** to all who helped with the Cleaning Bee in the church on Saturday morning.

Outstanding effort, as usual.

Thanks also to those who have donated for Easter flowers. Basket at back of church or donate online 02-0108-0706881

**Holy Week**

**Sun 24 March 7pm:**

**Reconciliation Rite 2.**

**Monday 25 March 7.30 pm: Chrism Mass** at the Cathedral in town.

**Holy Thursday 28/03 7pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper.** Please bring a food item for SVDP.

**Good Friday 20/03:** (day of fast and abstinence)

10 am: **Procession of Christian Witness.**  
Begins in Windsor Reserve.

3pm: **Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Veneration of the Cross.**

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be available for a time after the 3pm ceremonies

**Holy Saturday : 8pm Vigil Mass**

**Easter Sunday: 9.30am Easter Sunday Mass**

**Special Collections — Please Note:**

- There will be a collection on **Good Friday** — for the upkeep of sacred shrines in the Holy Land.
- There will be a second collection on **Easter Sunday (the Easter Offering)**: for the welfare of the clergy of the Auckland diocese. Special envelopes are available at back of church

The final Sunday of the Lenten Season engages us in a full dress rehearsal for the liturgies of the great Three Days (Triduum) about to be celebrated. Mass begins with a commemoration of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. He arrives humbly on a donkey. Although acclaimed enthusiastically with palm branches, he comes in peace and subverts popular expectations of a political messiah.

**PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY** *Commemoration of the Lord's Entry Into Jerusalem*

**ENTRANCE/PROCESSION: Mark 11:1-10** Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Isaiah 50:4-7** I did not cover my face against insult — I know I shall not be shamed.

**Psalms 22:** My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

**Philippians 2:6-11** He humbled himself, but God raised him high.

**Mark 14:1—15:47** The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**EASTER SUNDAY** *31 March Resurrection of The Lord*

**Acts 10:34, 37-43** We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection.

**Psalms 118:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia !

**Colossians 3:1-4** You must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

**John 20:1-9** He must rise from the dead.

<b>Ministries</b>	<b>23 March</b>	<b>Sun 24 March</b>
<b>Welcome:</b>	Natalie Paine	Greg Shanahan
<b>Readers:</b>	Damian Wallis Steve Burke	Sarah Sparks Ben Upton
<b>Communion:</b>	Lisa Mannion	Adrienne Ramskill
<b>Ministries</b>	<b>Sat 30 March 8pm</b>	<b>Sun 1 April</b>
<b>Welcome:</b>	Shawn Pearce-Blom	Linda Lampen-Smith
<b>Readers:</b>	Kath Petrie Riaan Blom	Yem Braid Mary Lyttleton
<b>Communion:</b>	Janet Monga	Flo Sapa'u

**Prayer during the week**  
**Mondays:**  
 Rosary in Church 6pm  
 Meditative Prayer 6.30pm  
**Wednesdays:**  
 Scripture Group 7 pm  
**Fridays in Lent:**  
 Stations of the Cross 7pm

We pray for all those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

- Mar 25:** Norma Smith 1982, Maria Ulberg 1984
- Mar 26:** George Cole 2005
- Mar 27:** Martin Hamblin 1947
- Mar 28:** Mary Corles 1890, Cecil Wallace 1985
- Mar 29:** William McKearney 1918
- Mar 30:** Ethel Munro 1938, Raymond Cameron 1960
- Mar 31:** Duncan Henderson 1996 William Richardson 1999
- Apr 01:** Evelyn West 1956 Anne Dunne 2003

**Requiescant in Pace**  
 May their souls, and the souls  
 of all the faithful departed,  
 through the mercy of God,  
 rest in peace. Amen

	<b>Feb-24</b>	<b>Feb-23</b>
	<b>Act</b>	<b>Act</b>
	<b>NZ\$</b>	<b>NZ\$</b>
<b>Collections</b>		
Cash	1,282	1,133
Envelopes	685	479
AP	7,064	7,334
Eftpos	430	410
	9,462	9,356

**From the Parish Property and Finance Committee.**  
 Year to date expenses are 39% below Budget. That includes a portion for insurance and forecasted capital expenses of church valuation, church security upgrade, health and safety expenses and hall painting , priority items to take place later this year. Thank you for continuing support through Atomic payments, envelopes and church collections.

## From the Diocese

**Concert with Fr Chris Skinner SM**, Mary Mackillop Chapel, Sunday 7 April at 2pm, Suggested koha \$10 (See poster)

**Join Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College for its new webinar series**, A Taste of Theology from April-December 2024 every first Tuesday of the month. These are one-hour sessions with topics on Philosophy, Canon Law, Spirituality, Scripture, Moral Theology, etc. Four sessions revisit the documents of Vatican II. Cost of \$60 one-off. For more information and to register, go to [www.tekupenga.ac.nz/tasteoftheology](http://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/tasteoftheology).

**Towards October 2024** Local Churches are invited to contribute to the Synod on Synodality by deepening aspects of the Synthesis Report. These contributions are guided by the question: "HOW can we be a synodal Church in mission?" The diocese is offering sessions to provide an opportunity for the Church of Auckland to participate in this phase of the consultation. For more details and to register (which is required) <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/towards-october-2024/> . **The local regional meeting will be at St Joseph's Takapuna Monday, 8th April 7pm**

**Archbishop Novatus Rugambwa**, the Apostolic Nuncio to Aotearoa New Zealand, has left for Rome as he continues his recovery from a stroke. Bishop of Auckland Stephen Lowe, the President of the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference, asks Catholics to keep Archbishop Rugambwa in their prayers, for healing and continued well-being. He suffered a stroke last 27 October and has been recovering and undergoing rehabilitation in Wellington.

## **Greetings from St Leo's.**

### **Open Day**

On Tuesday we had an Open Day and it was great to see some families come for a visit. They loved our little kura. All the families were excited about enrolling their child/children at St Leo's this year and the years to come.

### **Navy Kindy Visit**

On Wednesday we invited the Navy Kindy preschoolers to visit St Clare. We had 10 lovely tamariki visit us and they had a fabulous time with the St Clare children.

### **Recipe Books for sale**

PTFA Fundraising:

**My Mothers Kitchen** - New Zealand's best chefs, bakers and foodies share their mothers' special recipes. Around 400 recipes from well known New Zealanders such as Josh Emmett, Peta Mathias, Peter Gordon etc.

**Cooking For Change** - 101 Famous kiwis share their favourite recipes. Nearly 500 recipes from chefs like Sir Michael Hill, Sam Neill, Lucy Lawless, Joseph Parker, Valerie Adams etc They will be selling for \$25 each and are available from the office.

Please deposit money into the PTFA account 12 -3057-0067576-00.

Please use the reference your name and cookbooks for your payment.

**St Leo's Catholic School, Devonport**  
Nurturing the whole child - Mind, body and spirit.

**FREE SCHOOL FEES & UNIFORM FOR 2024**  
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Small class sizes | Academic excellence | Extra learning opportunities | Christian Family Values

St Leo's small class sizes and experienced, passionate teachers provide learning for the Catholic no children's educational needs, alongside great resources, all to create our students' best development.

We offer multiple sports, music, Karate, Hockey, drama, recreational, the Bible school, an individualised care plan and an accelerated SPaCE program (Specialist Learning Programme) for our students who wish to complete our full school year throughout their year.

[www.stleos.school.nz](http://www.stleos.school.nz) | 07 446 9237 | 102 Victoria Road, Devonport

Members of staff: "I would have a letter for parents to be signed" - please call us to get more details on offering the additional services.

## Feast Days in The Sixth Week of Lent

- As it is HOLY WEEK, there are no feast days during this period.

**St Vincent de Paul Society, Devonport,** is supporting a growing number of families both financially and with donations of food. We are very grateful to those who make anonymous donations in the box at the back of the church, or provide items in the basket at the back of the church.

Donations of non-perishable basics, tinned meat, vegetables or fish, cleaning products, toilet paper, personal hygiene items, rice meals and cereals are all very welcome.

Even if you haven't contributed in the past, you are invited to make a special effort to bring along a food item on Holy Thursday, as we remember the Last Supper at the 7 pm Mass.



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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. Easter Flowers)

**St Leo's Catholic School:** (09) 445-9339 [www.stleos.school.nz](http://www.stleos.school.nz)

**St Leo's Catholic School Principal:** Vimi Chandra

**Bishop's Reps:** Clare Wilde, Julia Strickett, 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

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** before Vigil Mass on Saturday

### **Ministry Reminders**

**Flowers** No flowers in Lent, Easter donations welcome.

### **Church Cleaning**

6/04 Dobbs Family

### **Counters**

24/03 Alix & Bill Hooper

31/03 Denise and Karl

### **Hospitality**

24/03 Pauline

31/03 EASTER SUNDAY

### **Altar Servers**

24/3 James Farrell, May Upton

31/03 Chiara and Bella Albrecht

### **Children's Liturgy Leaders**

24/03 Julia Strickett & Claire Gillies

31/03 Catherine & Isla Gillies