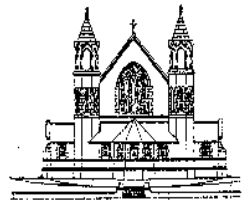




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St Francis de Sales & All Souls
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3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 26TH 2025



Pope Francis has announced that 2025 will be a Jubilee Year, something which happens every 25 years. The theme for Jubilee 2025 is “Pilgrims of Hope,” and it will be a year of hope for a world suffering the impacts of war, the ongoing effects of COVID-19 pandemic, and the climate crisis. The logo is worth a closer prayerful look.

The cross of Christ is the hope that we cannot be abandoned. The Cross, in the shape of a sail, is transformed into an anchor—a universal symbol of hope imposed over the turbulent waves. In the rough sea we recognize personal events as well as those of the world, press on us more intensely, demanding a greater hope. The figures represent humanity, from the four corners of the earth, embracing in solidarity, as the first holds on to the Cross.

[2025 Jubilee Year Pilgrims Of Hope - Search News](#) for world-wide links.



De Paul House thanks all those who generously supported our annual Christmas Appeal 2024. We had over 100% increase in the number of individuals who were able to choose gifts, Christmastreats and received supermarket vouchers. Over 746 individuals, 277 adults and 469 children shared in the magic of Christmas.

Can you help? Our cupboard is bare!

In 2024 we assisted 148 adults and 212 children into long term rentals or social housing. Last year we took over 602 calls requesting help with housing. Families and senior citizens are supported with access to our bedding, linen, food, furniture, household goods and clothing banks. **We are in urgent need of good quality towels, flannels, bathmats, hand towels. Single linen is always low** as we have 133 single beds and families take the bedding when they move out. Single duvet inners and covers, sheets, new pillows, duvet inners, tea towels. Contact De Paul House Ph 4805959 Email admin@depaulhouse.org.nz or contact Kath in the Parish Office 445 0078 for assistance.

Today's readings have a dynamism about them that jolt us out of our easy lethargy in these languorous summer days. Welcome or unwelcome, the call to repent — to change our ways — is in the air.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

The Law of the Lord

Nehemiah 8:2-6,8-10 Ezra read from the law of God and the people understood what was read.

Ps 19: Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life.

1Corinthians 12:12-30 You together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it.

Luke 1:1-4;4:14-21 The text is being fulfilled today .

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

2 Feb

Malachi 3:1-4 The Lord you are seeking will suddenly enter his Temple

Ps 24: Who is the king of glory? It is the Lord.

Heb 2:14-18 It was essential that he should in this way become completely like his brothers.

Luke 2:22-40 My eyes have seen your salvation.

Ministries	Sat 25 January	Sun 26 January
Welcome:	Sarah Menzies	Joseph Wolfkamp
Readers:	Steve Burke Damian Wallis	Sarah Sparks Kate Kearins
Communion:	Riaan Blom Kevin Isidro, Kasey Isidro	Francesca K., Kate Casey, Pauline Baker
Ministries	Sat 1 February	Sun 2 February
Welcome:	Natalie Williams	Greg Shanahan
Readers:	Riaan Blom Nicky Witham-Blackwell	Mary Lyttleton John Knight
Communion:	Lisa Mannion, Denise Ross Mila Burke	Adrienne Ramskill, Maryanne O., Flo S.

Prayer during the Week

Mondays: Rosary at 6 pm in the Church,
Meditative Prayer 6.30 pm in Meeting Room

Wednesdays: Scripture Group 7pm in Meeting Room
Starting for this year Jan 29th

There will be a Mass on Waitangi Day Feb 6th at 12 noon.

The Diocese of Auckland is seeking a talented and creative **Multimedia Journalist** (part time – 20 hrs per week) to create engaging digital multimedia content (stories, photos, videos) that shares the news of the Diocese, Bishop, Parish, Schools and Agencies. These stories will also contribute to supporting the national CathNews platform which delivers news, analysis, and commentary of interest to the Catholic Church community.

For full details, please visit our website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz – Diocesan Services – Staff Vacancies.

Sat 15th Feb. One day retreat for men and women directed by Fr Carl Telford SM.
St Thomas More Church Glenfield.
See poster in Church foyer.

North Shore Joshua meeting – A warm invitation to all men to the January meeting. Date: **Wed 29 Jan 7.15pm for 7.30pm start.** Venue: St Thomas More Church Hall, 336 Wairau Road, Glenfield. Includes a very encouraging talk entitled "**The Apprentice**" presented by Peter-John Carelse and Kevin Farrell. So what is the 'Apprentice' all about? ... come and find out. Invite a mate and come to be enriched and challenged and to meet other men of faith in fellowship as we share supper together. Jeffrey from Peoples Worship Ministry will be the worship leader with support from Been Ueriti. **contact Jerome 027 233 4380.**

FROM THE DIOCESE

Story of the Stations of the Cross Across the diocese people will gather throughout Lent to walk and pray the Stations of the Cross. But why has this become such a popular devotion? How come there are 14 stations and not 6 or 23?

You are invited to prayerfully explore with Sr Sian the meaning and history of the Stations of the Cross.

To register please email pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz to be sent the online link.

3-day Prayer Retreat for Women Friday 28

February 6pm to Sunday 2 March 3pm 2025 - with time for Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, Personal Prayer and Spiritual Direction.

All women are welcome. There will be sessions on "What is prayer?" "Why should I pray?" "How do I pray?" and "Humility & Forgiveness". Early bird registration and details

here: www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz

Incense — A Taste of Heaven? Beate Matthies is the founder of Titipounamu Study & Joy. She has a background in linguistics, history of art and business management. She has a special interest in Scriptures, Cultures and Interreligious Dialogue.

Monday, **24 February 2024, 7-8pm**

(ZOOM) Fee: Koha. Donations are appreciated. For more information and registration: www.studyjoy.nz

Bishop Steve Speaks tune into the diocesan YouTube channel playlist *Bishop Steve Speaks* to hear him reflecting on the readings of Sunday and other moments of conversation. https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLYVVDAh6gEBFpCzZXcTLHpW_-

We pray for all those who whose anniversaries have occurred over the holidays:

- Dec 28:** Anne O'Sullivan 1984, Kathleen Bell 1996, Gwen Watson 1996
- Dec 29:** Mary Kyle 1994
- Dec 30:** Antonio John Martin 1985, Richard Lee 2010, Patrick McHugh 2014, Jacob Gunnell 2022
- Dec 31:** Ida Ocleshaw 1983
- Jan 1:** Alma Simmonds 1914, Laurence Maxwell 1936, Viola Willetts 2014
- Jan 2:** Alice Holland 1977, William Stanley 1978, John McBride 1987
- Jan 3:** John Boylan 1924, Horace Jones 1929, Hector McLennon 1962
- Jan 4:** James Henderson 1916, Dorothy Cousins 2002, Joe Byrnes 2016
- Jan 5:** Catherine Ryan 1908, Jane Kalaugher 1952
- Jan 6:** George Stott 1926, Leonard James 1947, Mabel Prenter 1979, Dorothy White 1990
- Jan 7:** Charles Glover 1951
- Jan 8:** Margaret Strong 1999
- Jan 9:** Mercia Kilpatrick 1954, Helena Scott 1954
- Jan 10:** John Buckley 1916, Margaret Rowell 1935, Mary Chapman 1992
- Jan 11:** Nancy Arthur 1990
- Jan 12:** Christina Withers 1995, Kathleen Mitchell 2005, Rose D'Urban-Burgess 2016, Alexander McNaughten 2024
- Jan 13:** Miriam Davis 1912, James Kalaugher 1960, Edmund Birk 2008
- Jan 14:** John Archer 1912
- Jan 15:** Mary Lanigan 1992
- Jan 16:** Josephine McAlfine 1981, Ivan Geldard 1997, John Old 1999, Christina McKenna 2018, Alan MacDonald 2024
- Jan 17:** Percy Evans 1906, Bridget Koefoed 1916
- Jan 18:** Carol Jacobson 1949, Lucy McBride, 2008, Doreen Byrnes 2019, Vladimir "Wally" Papich 2024
- Jan 19:** Catherine Shea 1914, James Oliver 1996
- Jan 20:** James Murphy 1916
- Jan 21:** Alexander Geelan de Kabath 1991, Maxwell Campbell 1996
- Jan 22:** Laurence Coleman 1924
- Jan 23:** Mario Dell'Isola 1999
- Jan 24:** Laura Nelson 1985
- Jan 25:** Shane O'Neill 1913, Annollia Johnson 1978

May they rest in peace, Amen.

Feast Days in the Third Week of Ordinary Time

- **Mon 27 Jan: St Angela Merici, virgin.** Born at Desenzano, near Brescia, 1470. Saw her task as the formation of Christian women: in 1535 founded institute of Ursulines, devoted to education of poor girls, and to the missions. She died in 1540.
- **Tues 28 Jan: St Thomas Aquinas, priest & doctor of the Church.** Born about 1225. Entered the Dominican Order in 1244 and studied in Paris and Cologne. His outstanding writings and teachings in theology, philosophy and scripture were founded on a life of prayer and faith. He died in 1274.
- **Fri 31 Jan: St John Bosco, priest.** Born in Turin in 1815 and brought up in poverty. Devoted his life to the education of working youth. Founded religious congregations – the Salesian Order (inspired by the life and work of Francis de Sales), and the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians – to carry on his ideals.

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

St Leo's Catholic School: (09) 445-9339 www.stleos.school.nz

St Leo's Catholic School Principal: Vimi Chandra

Proprietor's Reps: Julia Strickett, Anna Rumble

**Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9:00am to 12 noon
closed Wednesdays**

Masses next weekend

Sat : 5.30pm, Sun: 9.30am

Mases during this coming week

Wednesday and Friday 12 noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 5pm on Saturdays

Ministry Reminders

Flowers till Easter: Sue

Story

Church Cleaning

New roster sent, to be confirmed

Counters

26/1 Alix & Bill

Hooper

2/2 Denise O & Karl S

Hospitality

26/1 Annie & Chris
Walsh

2/02 Shelley & Hyme

Altar Servers

New Roster starts 2
Feb

Children's Liturgy

Leaders

New Roster starts 2
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