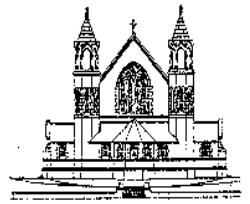




DEVONPORT CATHOLIC
PARISH
St Francis de Sales & All Souls
2a Albert Road, Devonport, Auckland, 0624



MAY 11TH 2025 – 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY



Habemus Papam! Leo XIV

Cardinal Robert Prevost has become the first American Pope to follow in St Peter's shoes. He has spent most of his career as a missionary in Peru and became a cardinal only 2 years ago. Bishop Steve Lowe writes " We pray that God will provide him with the strength he needs for the immense task of leading the Church at this moment."

We also pray for the 11 Auckland seminarians discerning for the priesthood at present.



News from parish teams Columbarium

Thank you for your feedback about the proposal to relocate the disabled access to the eastern side of the church, which was very favourable, giving a clear mandate. Enlarged drawings on the noticeboard at the back of the Church.

We are hopeful we have met all the conditions arising from the Resource Consent application and that it will be issued by the end of this month, so building of the Columbarium can start.

Music Ministry

4 members of the Choir will be attending the workshop with Tony Alonso on May 31st, followed by his concert at Baradene College. Please let Kath know if your would like to join us. office@devonportcatholic.org.nz

Counters' Roster

Good accounting practice means 2 people should count the collections on Sundays. Can you assist Kate this week or Gabriel next?

Good Shepherd Sunday

Day of Prayer for Vocations.

Special Collection this week for the Seminary. (Envelopes available)

The money collected helps pay the tuition fees of Auckland students for the priesthood.

The opening prayer of the Mass today speaks of the “brave Shepherd (who) has gone before”. Naming Jesus as our Good Shepherd implicates us in his unconditional self-sacrifice. It was the courage with which he entered the dark mystery of death that enabled him to break through to the realm of life for us. We retrace the path of love that led Jesus to the cross and beyond and are challenged to follow him with the joy of his success.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Day of Prayer For Vocations

Acts 13:14,43-52 We must turn to the pagans.

Psalm 100: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Apocalypse 7:9,14-17 The Lamb will be their shepherd and will lead them to the springs of living water.

John 10:27-30 I give eternal life to the sheep that belong to me.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

18 May *The New Creation*

Acts 14:21-27 They gave an account to the church of all that God had done with them.

Psalm 145: I will praise your name forever, O God my king.

Apocalypse 21:1-5 God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.

John 13:31-35 I give you a new commandment, love one another.

Ministries	<u>Sat 10 May</u>	<u>Sun 11 May</u>
Welcome	Shawn Peace-Blom	Greg Shanahan
Readers	Steve Burke Nicky Witham-Blackwell	Nevil Gibson Mary Lyttleton
Communion	Denise Ross Mila Burke	Francisca K.,Pauline Baker, Gabriel S.
Ministries	<u>Sat 17 May</u>	<u>Sun 18 May</u>
Welcome	Natalie Williams	Emma Mackie-Watts
Readers	Damian Wallace Kath Petrie	Kate Kearins Gerard Dobbs
Communion	Kitt Isidro Janet Monga	Maryanne O., Kate Casey, Monica Duot

Prayer during the Week

Mondays: Rosary at 6 pm in the Church,
Meditative Prayer 6.30 pm in Meeting Room
Wednesdays: Scripture Discussion Group 7 pm. Meeting Room

Divine Mercy in the Third Millenium Conference May 23-35.

Rosmini College Auditorium & St Patrick’s Cathedral

Keynote Speaker Fr Chris Alar from the USA, - best-selling author and YouTube presenter
Along with other speakers from around the world.
Flyers at the back of the church with full details.

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

- May 11:** Henry Ulberg 1983, Gerald Lorigan 1995
- May 12:** Miriam Layzell 1944, Edna Callanan 1994
- May 13:** Edward Stanley-Hunt 1962, Patricia Coverdale 1996, Michael Matthew Dragicevich 2024
- May 14:** John Kearney 1944, Anthony Gore 2020
- May 15:** Margaret Taylor 1952, Kenneth Delany 1989
- May 16:** Margarita Henderson 1946, Michael Gregory 1960
- May 17:** Carol Wynne 1908, Maurice Richards 2022
- May 18:** Thomas Robinson 1907, Doreen Yalland 2009

Happy Mothers’ Day - Remembering our mothers.

From the Diocese
**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
1–8 June 2025**

Webinar ZOOM Lecture on 'What is Ecumenism, Its history and relevance today', by Rev Dr Ray Williamson, pastor from Sydney Anglican Church | Tues. 20th May 2025 | 7PM NZT | A must for all Catholics. Register today with an email to louisar@cda.org.nz to receive the ZOOM link

The Ecumenical Day of prayer for Christian Unity. On Sunday 1June2025|5PM at the Anglican St Lukes Church in Mt Albert. Refreshments afterwards. We are called to a greater participation at this years' service .

Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is now open for enrolment for Semester 2. Go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/apply to apply or call (09) 361-1053 for more information. **Enrolment closes on May 16.**

Are you a catechist or volunteer in your parish?

All catechists, volunteers, and those who serve in their parish are welcomed to share in a day of refreshing with Dianna Fouhy and Dcn Steve Fraser as your retreat hosts.

\$25.00 per person. 10am to 3:30pm Sat 5 July Pompallier Centre, New Street

All details and registration <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/event-1/be-refreshed-1-day-retreat-south/>

Registrations essential.

Jubilee Bursary Semester 2, 2025 For Theology and RE courses. contact: michellej@cda.org.nz by 5 June.

From St Leo's Catholic School



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

OPEN DAY
Tuesday 13th May

Pop in anytime
between 9am - 3pm.

**FREE
SCHOOL FEES
FOR 2025**

* Refer to details below

Out of area
enrolments welcome!

Small class sizes | Academic excellence | Extra learning opportunities | Christian Family Values
Feeder school for Rosmini and Carmel Colleges

St Leo's small class sizes, specialist learning opportunities and experienced, passionate teachers, enable learning to be tailored to children's individual needs and interests. As a result, our students excel academically.

We offer a new entrant transition and settling-in program, as well as before and after school care. Our children enjoy a broad education including multiple sports, music, Kapa Haka, Te Reo Māori and several out of school trips throughout the year. St Leo's proud to offer a focussed maths curriculum led by our Principal (a qualified maths specialist), a dedicated art class and a dedicated STEAM program (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths).



www.stleos.school.nz | 09 445 9339 | 102 Victoria Road, Devonport

*Details of offer: 'School fees' refers to attendance dues only, amounting to \$532 (\$133 per term). Excludes school activities/trips. For enrolments submitted in 2025. This includes enrolments for future years, subject to St Leo's enrolment criteria. Limited spaces available.

The garden group has been busy planting our winter vegetables. We hope to be able to sell some of these later in the term to raise money for our next vegetables.

The PTFA welcome Amy McLeod and Gin Atkinson as the co-chairs and Verity Murphy as the new secretary. We have some exciting things planned so keep an eye out.

Next open day is Tuesday 13 May. Pop in for a visit and a look around if you are interested.

Feast Days in the Fourth Week of Easter

- **Mon 12 May: Sts Nereus and Achilleus, martyrs.** Two Roman soldiers at the time of Diocletian, who were put to death probably in 304, for refusing to serve in the army after their conversion to Christianity.
- **Mon 12 May: St Pancras, martyr.** A Roman martyr from the time of the Diocletian persecution.
- **Tues 13 May: Our Lady of Fatima.** The Blessed Virgin Mary appeared six times to three shepherd children — Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta — between 13 May and 13 October, 1917. The apparitions occurred in the small village of Fatima, in Portugal.
- **Wed 14 May: ST MATTHIAS, APOSTLE.** Matthias was chosen by lot to replace Judas. See Acts 1:15-26.

Prayer for Vocations Generous God,

You show us the way that leads to everlasting life.

Through baptism you have called us to proclaim the Good News.

Bless and strengthen those who have made a commitment of service in the Church.

Guide and give wisdom to those discerning their vocation.

Enrich our Church with dedicated married and single people, with deacons, priests, and men and women in consecrated life.

Filled with your Holy Spirit we ask this blessing that we, your people, may follow Jesus, our Good Shepherd, now and for always. Amen

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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

Masses during the coming week

Wednesday and Friday 12 noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 5pm

Ministry Reminders

Flowers

Sue Story

Church Cleaning

24/5 Dobbs Family

Counters

11/05 Kate Kearins + 1

18/05 Gabriel Sagripanti +1

Hospitality

11/05 Maria

18/05 Monika

Altar Servers

11/05 Rosemary Dobbs

18/05 Chiara Albrecht

Children's Liturgy Leaders

11/05 Mary-Jane & Millie

Lendich

18/05 Steven Albrecht &

Julia Strickett