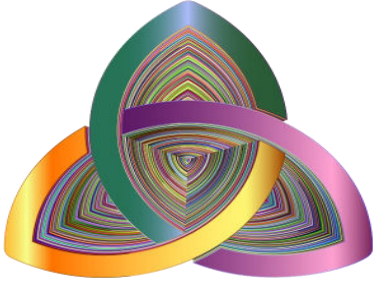




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JUNE 15TH 2025 – TRINITY SUNDAY



To understand this better, let us think of the names of the divine Persons, which we pronounce every time we make the sign of the cross: each name contains the presence of the other. The Father, for example, would not be such without the Son; likewise, the Son cannot be considered alone, but always as the Son of the Father. And the Holy Spirit, in turn, is the Spirit of the Father and the Son. In short, the Trinity teaches us that one can never be without the other.

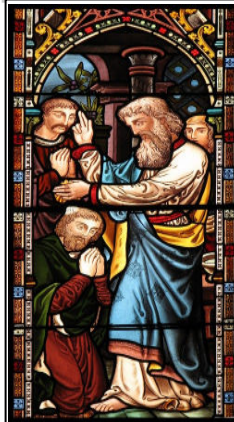
We are not islands; we are in the world to live in God's image: open, in need of others and in need of helping others. And so, let us ask ourselves this last question: in everyday life, am I too a reflection of the Trinity? The sign of the cross I make every day the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit—is that sign of the cross we make every day a gesture for its own sake, or does it inspire our way of speaking, of encountering, of responding, of judging, of forgiving? [Pope Francis Angelus, June 15, 2025](#)



Property and Finance
The PFC held its regular monthly meeting on 10 June. Peter Adams reported that parish finances are in good shape with costs and income in line with last

year. The main item on the agenda was progress on the Columbarium project. The Committee signed off on a revised budget for the project and a plan for managing access to the Church and Presbytery while work is underway.

Enviro Group We wish to support the Paper For Trees initiative that St Leo's is involved in. We will be sending leftover newsletters and other waste papers over to the school so it can go towards their Paper For Trees—free trees in return for waste paper!



Blessings on those who are receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist today. Many thanks to Bishop Steve for celebrating these sacraments with us. The Saints' posters on display in the church tell us of the giants on whose shoulders we stand.

The mystery of the Trinity can be approached as a theological conundrum or as an adventure in faith. The word of God invites us to take the latter route. The readings for the day help us to retrace some of the steps taken by our forebears in faith as they were led to discover Father, Son and Spirit communing in the one Godhead and enfolding the whole of creation in their love.

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Glory to the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit

Proverbs 8:22-31 Before the earth came into being, Wisdom was born

Psalms 9: O Lord our God. How wonderful your name in all the earth.

Romans 5:1-5 To God, through Christ, in the love poured out by the Spirit

John 16:12-15 Everything the Father has is mine; all the Spirit tells you will be taken from what is mine.

THE BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

15 June The Priesthood of Melchizedek

Genesis 14:18-20 He brought bread and wine.

Psalms 110: You are a priest forever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.

1Corinthians 11:23-26 Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the Lord's death.

Luke 9:11-17 They all ate as much as they could.

	<u>Sat 14 June</u>	<u>Sun 15 June</u>
Ministries		
Welcome	Kath Petrie	Emma Mackie-Watts
Readers	Riaan Blom Damian Wallace	Grace Rumble John Knight
Communion	Kasey Isidro Riaan Blom	Iain G, Monica D., Maryanne Offner
	<u>Sat 21 June</u>	<u>Sun 22 June</u>
Ministries		
Welcome	Shawn Pearce-Blom	Greg Shanahan
Readers	Nicky Witham-Blackwell	Ben Upton Sarah Sparks
Communion	Kitt Isidro Janet Monga	Adrienne R., Pauline Baker, Gabriel S.

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

Jun 15: Pauline Boyd 1992

Jun 16: Samuel Johnson 1994, George Moore 2001, Stella McCullough 2013

Jun 17: Flavia Brady 1996

Jun 18: Elizabeth McLean 1982

Jun 19: Sheila Duxfield 2005, John (Christie) Dunne 2006

Jun 21: Phillip Connor 1947, Henry Ambler 2010

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.

☞ An Invitation to All Men! ☞

North Shore Joshua Meeting – Wednesday 25 June

Join us at **St Thomas More Church** (336 Wairau Rd, Glenfield) for an inspiring evening with **Fr Glenn Lowe**, on **The Sacrament of Reconciliation**.

☞ **7:00 PM** – Enjoy food & fellowship

☞ **7:30 PM** – Praise & Worship led by Been & Team

☞ **Special time of prayer** for each other's intentions

☞☞ **Inspiring talk** by **Fr Glenn**

☞ **Finish by 9:00 PM**

This is **one NOT TO MISS!** We can't wait to see you there and bring along a friend.

☞ Questions? **Jerome Hardy (027) 2334380.**

From the Diocese

Administration Assistant – Auckland Common Fund Limited– Part Time 24 hrs per week

For more details, and a full position description, please visit <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/>

Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is having its third webinar this year titled “Pastoral Ministry among Māori and Pasifika in the Third Millenium” with Rev Hemi Ropata, a deacon from the Society of Mary who is currently in Rome completing the final stages of his formation before his ordination to priesthood this year. This webinar is on Wednesday, 25 June 5:00-6:00pm via Zoom. To register, go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/webinar2025

Billings LIFE NZ - Billings Ovulation Method Seminar - Natural Fertility Management Auckland 12 & 13th July 2025.
For further details phone 0800 693 378, email: info@billingslife.org.nz or visit: <https://www.billingslife.org.nz/>

From St Leo’s Catholic School.



This week, St Patrick students made sweet, spicy pumpkin muffins with Ms Chandra and Renee as part of their maths and literacy learning. While baking, students explored measurement concepts such as volume, weight, and time and then practised their writing skills by creating and sequencing a recipe. It was a fun, hands-on way to connect learning across the curriculum—and the muffins were a big hit, too!

Be Refreshed

Are you a catechist or
volunteer in your parish?



Day Retreat

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

Saturday 5th July 2025 @ Pompallier Diocesan Center

South 30 New Street Ponsonby

10:00am to 3:30pm

Cost: \$25 Registration closes on Wednesday 2nd July



World Youth Day Auckland 2025: Signs of Hope | Saturday 2nd August 10am – 8:30pm

Calling all young people aged 13–35 (and their awesome youth leaders)!

Join over 1,500 young Catholics at Victory Convention Centre for World Youth Day Auckland 2025 - a massive, joy-filled day of faith, community, and HOPE.

<https://events.humanitix.com/wydak25>

Prayer cards for Pope Leo XIV are available at the back of the church. Please take one if you wish.

Feast Days in the Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time

- **Thurs 19 June: St Romuald, abbot.** Born in Ravenna in mid-tenth century, of aristocratic family. Renounced the world and led life of an itinerant hermit. Died about 1027.
- **Sat 21 June: St Aloysius Gonzaga, religious.** Born 1568 near Mantua, the son of a high court official. At the age of 17 he renounced his inheritance and entered the Society of Jesus. He caught the plague while working in a hospital, and died in 1591.

We at Onewa Christian Community in Birkenhead have become concerned about the increase in the number of homeless people on the North Shore.

We are holding a meeting for North Shore churches and other community organisations with a view to promoting a night shelter on the Shore.

The aim of the meeting is to share ideas and look for a way forward.

The meeting will be at Takapuna Methodist Church, 427 Lake Road, Takapuna, on Friday 4 July at 10am.

If you would like to contribute to the conversation and can attend, please RSVP to iain_cathy.fraser@xtra.co.nz. Similarly, if you cannot attend but would like to contribute, please email the above to be kept in the loop.

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**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

21/6 Christopher Drake

Counters

15/06 Alix & Bill

22/6 Denise & Karl

Hospitality

15/06 Sue & Ian /Hall

22/06 Fiona and Mark

Altar Servers

15/06 Joseph Wolfkamp,

Maria Branco

22/6 May Upton

Children's Liturgy Leaders

15/06 Confirmation Mass

no Children's Liturgy.

22/06 Catherine & Alice

Gillies