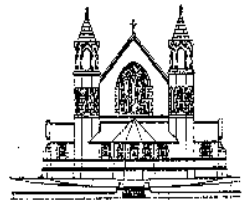




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St Francis de Sales & All Souls
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AUGUST 10TH 2025 – 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



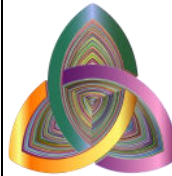
“There is no need to be afraid” Luke 12:32
Are we ready for the many ways our God visits us in this life, even in our darker times? We are always given enough light to take the next step.

The Catholic Diocese Pastoral Service Group warmly welcomes everyone to a day with **David Wells on A Pilgrims Journey in the Synodal Church**. This will be held at Sancta Maria Auditorium on 6th September 2025 10am-3.00pm. Lunch provided please register. <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/event-1/pilgrims-of-hope-in-a-synodal-church/>

David is an international speaker and theologian resident in the UK, and will be with us in Auckland to share his thoughts on journeying together as a synodal Church. This is a wonderful opportunity for sacramental, liturgical, and extra ordinary ministers and volunteers for a days' worth of formation and retreat time that does not come by often.

For further information please contact Dcn Steve Fraser 021439407 or email stephenf@cda.org.nz (Poster in foyer)

If you would like to share transport to this event at Sancta Maria College Flat Bush please let Kath know. 021 620805



Parish AGM
August 17th
10.30 am

This will include the election of members of the 2025-26 Parish Council. Nomination forms are available at the back of the church. Update booklets for the last year will be emailed out this weekend. A

limited number of printed copies are available at the back of the church together with the latest Statement of Financial Performance. Please read these before the meeting.

If you wish to raise a matter of General Business, please notify the office in writing before the meeting. We aim to finish the agenda by noon.

The Hospitality Team would greatly appreciate a plate of finger food to help cater for the AGM.



Solemn Feast of the **ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**
The National Patronal Feast for Aotearoa New Zealand, and a day of obligation.
Friday, 15th August
12pm Mass (with St Leo's students)
Evening Mass at 7.00pm

Jesus uses the image of a burglar to advise us: 'You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect' Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

The Lord Our God

Wisdom 18:6-9 ...you made us glorious by calling us to you.

Psalm 33: Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19 Abraham looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

Luke 12:32-48 You too must stand ready.

20TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

17 August

Victory With Christ

Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10 You have borne me to be a person of dissension for all the land.

Psalm 39: Lord, come to my aid!

Hebrews 12:1-4 We shall keep running steadily in the race we have started.

Luke 12:49-53 I am not here to bring peace, but rather division.

Ministries	Sat 09 August	Sun 10 August
Welcome	Shawn Pearce-Blom	Emma Mackie-Watts
Readers	Kath Petrie Riaan Blom	Denise O'Shaughnessy Gerard Dobbs
Communion	Kevin Isidro Kasey Isidro	Flo Sapau Iain Gillies Maryanne Offner
Ministries	Sat 16 August	Sun 17 August
Welcome	Kath Petrie	Anne Gibson
Readers	Damian Wallace Robert Mannion	Nevil Gibson Sarah Sparks
Communion	Lisa Mannion Denise Ross	Adrienne R. Flo S. Monica Duot



The next coffee morning is Thursday 14th August 10

am at 2 Patuone Ave. All welcome. Kathy's phone 0212124914

Reminder Joshua Retreat 10-12 October. See poster in foyer

Prayer during the Week

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

Wednesday Scripture Group has started again on 7 pm in the meeting room, reflecting on the readings for following Sunday.

Wanted: wool or yarn suitable for baby garments, which William Sanders craft ladies will knit for newborns in North Shore and Middlemore Hospitals. Can you help? Please leave at the back of the church.

Your prayers are requested for those who have died, and for those whose anniversaries occur this coming week. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Aug 10: Margarita Redmond 1950, Elsie Cleary 1960, Carmel Jacob Pereira 2008 Ann Campbell 2021

Aug 11: Eliza Shore 1956, Eileen Byres 2010

Aug 13: William Walters 1946

Aug 14: Louisa Douglas 1942, John Graham 1982

Aug 15: Patrick Malloy 1938, Imelda Sayegh 1959, Rosalina Parungao 2003, Betty McDowall 2003, Jack Johnson 2005

Aug 16: Agnes Jaggs 1979, Colleen Turner 1995

From the Diocese

The latest edition of **Jubilee Jottings** is out, it includes information about diocesan events coming up <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/JJ-AUGUST-2025-Share.pdf> It can also be accessed from the Jubilee page of the diocesan website.

NZ Catholic The latest edition of the diocesan newsletter is now available <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/NZ-Catholic-Issue-5.pdf>

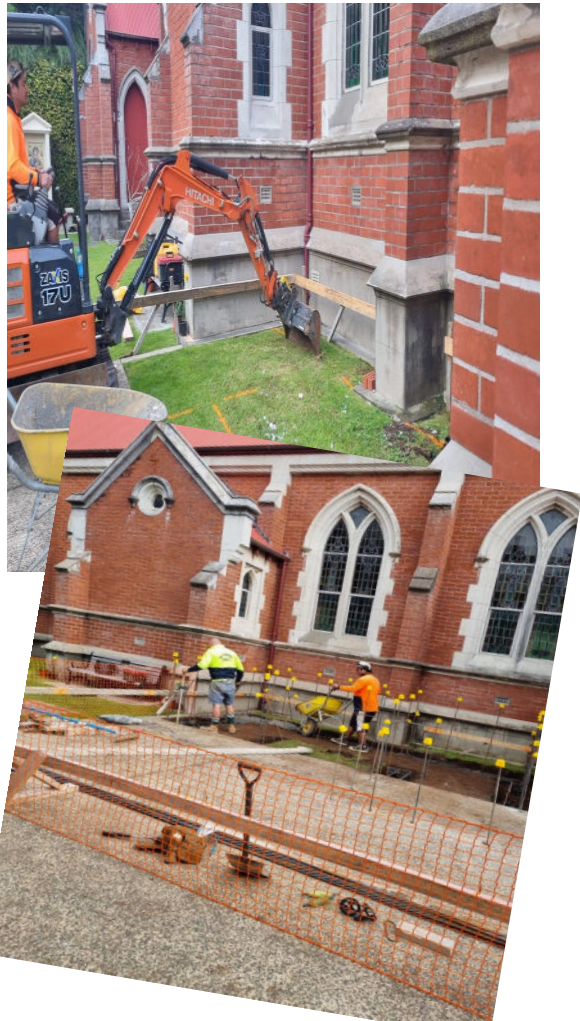
Special Mass for Loss of a Child. A Mass will be offered as a source of healing for those who have experienced loss through miscarriage, stillbirth, prenatal diagnosis, abortion or loss of a child at any stage of life. This special Mass will help provide spiritual support and honour these precious children: **Where: St Michael's Catholic Church, Beatrice Rd, Remuera. When: Saturday 6 September 2025 5:00pm *Reconciliation & Adoration from 4:30pm**

For more information contact: Brenda Brightwell St Michael's Catholic Parish 0276415615.

Catholic Young Adults Ball | Saturday 13 September 7pm-11pm

By popular demand, we are thrilled to bring back The Young Adults Ball 2025! With a dash of Gatsby glamour, the theme for this year is 'THE ROARING TWENTIES'. Earlybird tickets: \$110 (until July 20th) Standard tickets: \$130 (until August 31st or sold out) 18+ event Follow the link for more details and to register: <https://events.humanitix.com/young-adults-ball>

Columbarium update: Work began this week on the eastern side of the church, creating new disabled access.



From St Leo's School:

Please put the date in your diary for our Quiz Night, Friday 17th September 7.00 at the Devonport RSA. Country and Western - dress in Theme. Free nibbles and Spot Prizes. Cash/Eftpos bar. Teams of 6—create your own or come along and join another team on the night.

Feast Days in the Nineteenth Week of Ordinary Time

- **Mon 11 Aug: St Clare, virgin.** Born in Assisi in 1193, Clare followed St Francis in his life of poverty. She founded the order of Poor Clares. Her life was austere and prayerful.
- **Tues 12 Aug: St Jane Frances de Chantal, religious.** Born Dijon, France in 1572, married and had six children. After her husband's death, Frances de Sales became her spiritual director. She founded the Congregation of the Visitation for women who wished to live a religious life but could not endure the austerity of existing orders. She spent her life in the care of the sick and poor, and died in 1641.
- **Wed 13 Aug: Ss Pontian, pope, and Hippolytus, priest, martyrs.** Pontian became bishop of Rome in 231. During the persecution of Emp Maximinus, he was exiled to Sardinia, along with Hippolytus. He resigned the papacy, so that the Church might have an active leader. They both died in Sardinia.
- **Thurs 14 Aug: St Maximilian Kolbe, priest.** Born Poland 1894, became a Franciscan. Got TB, recovered but remained frail. Before ordination he founded the Immaculata Movement devoted to Our Lady. Captured by Nazis and sent to Auschwitz where, on 31 July 1941 he offered himself in place of one of 10 men condemned to die by starvation. He was the last to die after two weeks of suffering. Canonized in 1981.
- **Fri 15 Aug: THE ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY. Patroness of Aotearoa NZ. Holy Day of obligation.** In Mary's glorious assumption we celebrate the fulfillment of our Christian destiny, and with her we proclaim the greatness of the Lord.
- **Sat 16 Aug: St Stephen of Hungary.** Born about 969, baptised about 985, crowned king of Hungary in 1000. Stephen ruled wisely in the country, and did all he could for the establishment of the Church there. Died 1038.

Cath News this week: Vatican astronomer says science complements religion.
newsletter@cathnewsnz.com -> Free in your inbox every Friday.

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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

16/8 Anne Feeney

Counters

10/8 Denise and Karl

17/8 Gabriel S and Christina
Kersey

Hospitality

10/8 Monika

17/8 Francisca (AGM)

Altar Servers

10/8 Bella & Chiara Albrecht

17/8 Joseph Wolfkamp,
Grace Rumble, Levente Ven

Children's Liturgy Leaders

10/8 Julia Strickett and Isla
Gillies

17/8 Stephen & Bella