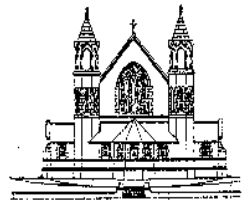




DEVONPORT CATHOLIC  
PARISH  
St Francis de Sales & All Souls  
2a Albert Road, Devonport, Auckland, 0624



OCTOBER 26TH 2025 – 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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**Praying for The Dead During November**

The month of November is the traditional  
time to particularly  
remember and pray for  
all who have died,  
beginning with the  
Commemoration of All  
the Faithful Departed  
(All Souls Day) on 2<sup>nd</sup>  
November, which this  
year falls on Sunday,  
next week.



Our church was officially opened on 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov  
1919 by Bishop Cleary who dedicated it to  
**All Souls.**

You are invited to write the names of  
departed loved ones on the paper provided  
in church — these will be placed at the altar  
during the month of November.



**Synodal Conversation on the  
Environment. Next Sunday.**

*Sunday 2nd Nov, 10.45 a.m  
in the Hall.*

*The parish environmental  
group would like to invite all  
parishioners to the next synodal  
conversation. This time will focus on  
environmental issues that may impact us in  
our own lives, as a parish, or beyond.  
We will follow the format of the synodal  
conversation by placing ourselves in the  
presence of the Holy Spirit, and listening  
without comment to what each person has to  
offer within a two minute time limit. We look  
forward to seeing you for a cup of tea and  
hearing your ideas.*

**Welcomers, Lectors, and Extraordinary  
Ministers of Communion**

These are important roles for our liturgical  
celebrations.

Would you consider taking on one of these  
roles for the coming year (beginning First  
Sunday of Advent)?

Please have a think about this and let us  
know, by talking to Fr Neil, or Stephen  
(0210608561).

Training, formation and support is provided.

Columban Calendars 2026 on sale after  
Masses. Still only \$12!

The Pharisees were eminently respectable people, observing the Mosaic Law to the letter, and were respected in the Jewish community. The parable does not present the Pharisee as a hypocrite, but rather as someone lacking humility, someone who could instead have said: 'There, but for the grace of God, go I.'

**30<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

*The Lord, the Righteous Judge*

**Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14,16-19** The prayers of the humble pierce the clouds.

**Psalm 33: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.**

**2Timothy 4:6-8,16-18** All there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.

**Luke 18:9-14** The publican went home at rights with God; the Pharisee did not.

**COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

2 Nov

**Isaiah 25:6-9** The Lord will destroy death for ever.

**Psalm 27: The Lord is my light and my salvation.**

**Romans 5:5-11** Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger?

**Luke 7:11-17** Young man, I tell you to get up.

	<b><u>Sat 25 October</u></b>	<b><u>Sun 26 October</u></b>
<b>Ministries</b>		
<b>Welcome</b>	Shawn Pearce-Blom	Anne Gibson
<b>Readers</b>	Steve Burke Nicky Witham-Blackwell	Sarah Sparks Nevil Giibson
<b>Communion</b>	Denise Ross Riaan Blom	Pauline Baker Francisca Knottenbelt Flo Sapa'u
	<b><u>Sat 1st November</u></b>	<b><u>Sun 2nd November</u></b>
<b>Ministries</b>		
<b>Welcome</b>	Kath Petrie	Joseph Wolfkamp
<b>Readers</b>	Robert Mannion Riaan Blom	Kate Kearins Ben Upton
<b>Communion</b>	Lisa Mannion Kitt Isidro	Kate Casey Gabriel Sagripanti Monica Duot

**Prayer during the Week**

**Mondays: Rosary** 6pm in the church

**Meditative Prayer** 6.30 pm in Meeting Room

**Wednesdays** Scripture Group 7pm in Meeting room, looking at the scriptures for the following Sunday.

**CATHOLICISM**

Home viewing of a series presented by Bishop Robert Barron (Word on Fire ministry)

Episode 1; 'The revelation of God become Man' Thursday 6 November 730 - 900pm at the home of Alan and Elizabeth Light 2/3 Ariho Terrace (0211589306) All Welcome.

**We remember in prayer those who have died, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**

**Oct 26:** Ireen O'Hara 1996, Molly Hickey 2009, Thomas Menzies 2017

**Oct 27:** Winifred Kavanagh 1953, Christina O'Brien 1959

**Oct 28:** Peter Owens 1936, Thaddaus O'Leary 1947

**Oct 29:** Maria Parker 1942, Olive Patterson 1944, James Manning 2003, Peter Bell 2014

**Oct 30:** Delfin Samson Jr 2022

**Oct 31:** James Boylan 1922, Andrea Hendry 1961

**Vinnies supporting people who go days without eating - CathNews NZ. Thanks for your support of our local branch.**

## From the Diocese

**Mass for Deceased Clergy:** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2025 11:00am at **St Patrick's Catholic Church and Cemetery Panmure.**

All parishioners from every parish are warmly invited to attend the Annual Mass for Deceased Clergy, as we gather to remember and pray for those clergy who have passed away in the past year.

**Youth Leaders Hui | Saturday 15 November 9:00am-1:30pm | 30 New Street Pompallier Diocesan Centre**

Join us for our Youth Leaders Hui - a day for youth leaders to connect, share and shape the future of youth ministry in our Diocese. We want to hear your hopes, insights and ideas as we look ahead together! In particular, at this Hui we will explore how we can:

- (1) Strengthen youth ministry across the Diocese,
  - (2) Relaunch Diocesan Youth Masses in 2026, and
  - (3) Grow regular consultation and collaboration among youth leaders.
- We're all in the same waka! Come ready to share, learn and be inspired alongside others who share your passion for seeing young people encounter Jesus.

Free barista coffee on arrival! Lunch will be provided. **Be sure to register:**

<https://events.humanitix.com/youth-leaders-hui>

## Introducing the Catholic Enquiry Connect Network:

Please see the poster in the Church foyer. They are looking for Parish Connectors and Champions—everyday evangelists who welcome seekers into parish life. Scan the code on the poster for more information or email

[info@catholicenquiry.nz](mailto:info@catholicenquiry.nz)

**Twilight Christmas by the Lake at Carmel College on Friday, 14 November, from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

*Picture this:* twinkling lights reflecting off the lake, the sound of carols filling the air, the scent of spit-roasted lamb wafting through the breeze, and a joyful crowd of families and friends coming together to celebrate. It's going to be unforgettable — and we want YOU there!

## What's Waiting for You?

- 🎵 Live Christmas Carols – Let the music lift your spirits and get you singing along
- 🎁 Boutique Market Stalls – Find one-of-a-kind gifts, handmade crafts, and festive treats set within the grassy grounds behind the school
- 🎟 Raffles Galore – Incredible prizes to be won throughout the evening
- 🍖 Spit-Roasted Lamb Dinner – A mouth-watering sit-down meal with fresh salads, cooked over an open fire for just \$20 per person

## Roast Lamb Dinner – Pre-Sales Now Open!

**Book by 30th October.** The lamb roast dinner is in our beautifully renovated teachers lounge which overlooks Lake Pupuke. It is wheelchair accessible and in the heart of the festivities. .

**Date:** Friday, 14 November

**Dinner Seatings:** From 5:00 p.m. (last booking at 7:30 p.m.)

**Cost:** \$20 per person

Reserve your seat now: Click here to book <https://shop.carmel.school.nz/MonitorOnline/app/#!/app/main>

*Wine and beer will be available for purchase at the dinner — the perfect pairing for your festive feast.*

We have set aside parking for elderly and those that need wheelchair parking spaces. This is on a first come basis but we do have 24 spaces available.

## Feast Days in the Thirtieth Week of Ordinary Time

- **Tues 28 Oct: Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles.** Little is known of these two apostles, whose names are always linked in the Gospel accounts. Simon is called the Zealot, and Jude 'son of James'. (Eph 2:19-22 Ps 19:2-5 Lk 6:12-19)
- **Sat 1 Nov: ALL SAINTS DAY.** Today we offer the Lamb and celebrate the victory of our God in the company of all the redeemed in the heavenly kingdom. (Apoc 7:2-4,9-14 Ps 23:1-61 1Jn 3:1-3 Mt 5:1-12).
- **Sun 2 Nov: COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Souls Day)** — Just as Jesus died and rose again, so will the Father bring with him those who have died in Jesus. Just as in Adam all people die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

Upcoming Dates:

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November -Mass for Deceased Clergy: 11:00am at St Patrick's Catholic Church and Cemetery Panmure.**

**Thurs 6 November—Home viewing of Bishop Robert Barron :*The revelation of God become man.* 7.30-9.30 at Alan & Elizabeth Light's house 2/3 Ariho Terrace.**

**Friday 8 November—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 12.30-2.30 and 5.30 –7pm here in the church**

**Friday 14 November from 4.30 pm. Come and support Parish members who will be singing Carols around 7 pm at the Carmel Christmas Market.**

**Friday 21 November—A night at the Conclave with Cardinal John Dew. St Mary's College Ponsonby 7.30 pm**

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

**Proprietor's Reps: Julia Strickett, Anna Rumble, Paulene Walsh**

**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: Saturday 5pm**

## **Ministry Reminders**

**Flowers** Sue Story

### **Counters**

26/10 Shyrelle & Brian

2/11 Arthur Whelan and  
rances Downs

### **Hospitality**

26/10 Shyrelle & Norrene

2/11 Maria & Jeremy

### **Altar Servers**

26/10 Joseph Wolfkamp  
Levente Ven

2/11 May Upton, Maria  
Branco

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

26/10 Catherine & Alice  
Gillies

2/11 Mary-Jane & Millie  
Lendich