

Mass Intentions If you would like Fr Pat to remember someone at Mass please call 521 0871 or email him at patrickb@xtra.co.nz

Be informed about the End of Life Choice Act Referendum:

- The End of Life Choice Act is not an option of 'last resort'. It will not just apply to the 'exceptionally difficult cases'. It does not require that a person first make use of available treatments or counselling, nor that they first receive palliative care. A person does not need to be in physical pain.
- If euthanasia becomes legal in NZ, people will access it because they think they lack other choices. Even though quality palliative care is effective, there is no corresponding legal right to access palliative care. Under current law, people can already say 'no' to treatments and can receive whatever level of pain relief they need. These days, no-one need die in pain.

The EOLC Act is badly drafted and seriously flawed. Whatever one's views about the idea of euthanasia, it is not 'compassion' to vote for a dangerous law.

See www.riskylaw.nz or www.votesafe.nz or www.carealliance.org.nz or www.nathaniel.org.nz

Authorised by John Kleinsman, 15 Guildford Terrace, Thorndon, Wellington

Justice & Peace - End of Life Choice Referendum

Dearest fellow St Joseph's Orakei parishioners, I hope you and your loved ones are well. As you know, in this year's General Election, you will be asked to vote in a referendum on the End of Life Choice Act 2019. Please take the time to inform yourself about this piece of legislation here <https://www.referendums.govt.nz/endoflifechoice/index.html> Another resource for you is Family First's "20 Reasons to vote No to Euthanasia in 2020". These brochures are available in our church foyer if you would like a hard copy, or you can download an electronic copy here: <https://www.familyfirst.org.nz/2020/05/new-resource-20-reasons-to-vote-no-to-euthanasia/> Also, as the Justice & Peace lead in our Parish Pastoral Council, I want to bring awareness to all the work that is done in our diocese. The Catholic Diocese of Auckland's Justice and Peace Commission, along with Bishop Pat Dunn and our universal Church, have a vision of action for social justice as integral to our following the Gospel as Catholic Christians.

Please use this link to learn more <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/justice-peace/>. I would like to invite any parishioners interested in being beacons of social justice for our parish to contact me, Lisa Filitonga (l.filitonga@gmail.com).

The Justice & Peace Commission "listens to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor". Laudato Si
God bless you all and stay safe, Lisa

MASS TIMETABLE

SUSPENDED TILL FURTHER NOTICE

Saturday	5.30pm Vigil
Sunday	9.30 am & 5.00pm
Weekday Masses	
Monday	9.15 am
Tuesday	6.00 pm
Wednesday	9.15 am
<i>(4th Wed: CWL Mass at 10.30 am)</i>	
Thursday	No Mass
Friday	9.15 am
Saturday & Public Holidays	9.00 am

Reconciliation_Saturday 9.30 - 10.00am & 5.10-5.25pm or by appointment

SUNDAY READINGS

THIS WEEK

Psalm	25
1.	Ezekiel 18:25-28
2.	Philippians 2:1-11
Gospel	Matthew 21:28-32

NEXT SUNDAY (4 October)

Psalm	80
1.	Isaiah 5:1-7
2.	Philippians 4:6-9
Gospel	Matthew 21:33-43



Welcome to St Joseph's

CATHOLIC PARISH OF ORAKEI



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26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
27 September 2020

Welcome back to Level 2!

As far as our parish is concerned, this means that Masses are possible for up to 100 people.

- We re-start our weekday Masses this Monday, 28 September, with 9.15am Mass.
- However, as we decided the last time we went to Level 2, we won't be celebrating Sunday Masses until we reach Level 1, which means our first Sunday Masses should be on Saturday/Sunday 10/11 October. This is because the size of our church, its inflexible seating arrangement, and the need for social distancing make Sunday gatherings impractical.

- Here, then, is our Mass timetable for the next couple of weeks:

Monday 28 September:	9.15am Mass	Tuesday 29 September:	6.00pm Mass
Wednesday 30 September:	9.15am Mass	Thursday 1 October:	No Mass
Friday 2 October:	9.15am Mass	Saturday 3 October:	9.00am Mass

Sunday 4 October:

No Mass

Monday 5 October:	9.15am Mass	Tuesday 6 October:	6.00pm Mass
Wednesday 7 October:	9.15am Mass	Thursday 8 October:	No Mass
Friday 9 October:	9.15am Mass	Saturday 10 October:	9.00am Mass

Sunday Masses: 10/11 October: 5.30pm (Vigil); 9.30am & 5.00pm

You will see that Wednesday's Mass is back to 9.15am. Last time we moved to Level 2 we tried 10.00am for Wednesdays, thinking a later time might attract more people. The initial positive response didn't last, so we're back to 9.15am, apart from the 4th Wednesday, when the CWL has Mass at 10.30am. Some other points to keep in mind during Level 2:

- Some seats in the church will be roped off to ensure social distancing.
- Communion will be in the hand; Communion on the tongue is not permitted.
- There is no holy water in the fonts
- No physical touching at the Sign of Peace; you can either bow or use NZSL (Sign Language)
A link to a short video demonstrating this <https://youtu.be/4VjC53n3vO0>
- Communion from the chalice is not permitted.
- Visitors record their visit EITHER by scanning the QR code, OR by recording details in the register
- Sunday Masses continue to be televised on Shine TV, freeview Channel 25.
- Consult the diocesan website, <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz> for a range of other services.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
CANCELLED TILL FURTHER NOTICE**



TELEVISED MASSES

Every Sunday on the free-to-air channel, **Shine TV, channel 25**, there is a 30 minute telecast at **2.00 pm**.

2020-2021 PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES and 2019/20 TAX RECEIPTS available.

Christian Care Network Food Assistance

Please contact our Helpline: (09) 521 5712 for assistance. All calls confidential. **Keep these numbers handy for added support:**

St Vincent de Paul, Newton **0800 6800 90**

For food parcels for needy families phone Auckland Emergency Management, **0800 22 22 96, 7am - 7pm.**

THE FIRST EDUCATORS IN FAITH ARE PARENTS/WHANAU

<https://www.faithjourney.co.nz/>, a great source of family-friendly material for RE.. From the National Centre for Religious Studies. New materials constantly uploaded

WELCOME! Come and join in refreshments

in the hall after 9.30 Sunday Mass, and in the foyer after 5.30pm Mass on 1st and 3rd Saturdays.

Would you like to help with refreshments

after Saturday evening Mass? Parishioners enjoy chatting together as part of the community. We would like a few more volunteers. You simply turn on the hot water before Mass & put out a table, then serve tea/coffee after Mass. **Just call Aline on 021 137 1505**



The Peace and International Justice Committee

of the Diocese's Justice and Peace Commission seeks new members. If you have the interest in serving in such areas please contact convenor Phillip Cass cass.philip@gmail.com

Pastoral Care

The Sacrament of Anointing:

The Church offers this sacrament to members who are seriously sick, frail, having surgery or approaching death. Please contact Fr Pat for anointing for yourself or a family member.

Hospital Visits and Chaplaincy:

If you or family are in hospital and wish us to know, please contact Fr Pat or ask the hospital staff in the ward to let the chaplain know.

Ministry to the Sick and the Infirm

For the sick or infirm who wish to receive Communion in their home or residence: phone Fr Pat 5210871 or email patrickb@xtra.co.nz

NZ Catholic latest issue available at

<https://indd.adobe.com/view/2a61ed4c-b19f-4f67-9d49-728df7acf784>

Liturgy Conference 2020 is now postponed until October 2021.

Starting Fri-Sat 2-3 October, **Conference** presenters will offer a series of **digital presentations**. If you have registered for the Conference or subscribed to the Conference newsletter, the link to this portal will be emailed to you. Please subscribe to the Liturgy Conference newsletter via the website <https://wuss.org.nz/> if you wish to receive the link.

Support for visitors to NZ on temporary visas

NZ Red Cross is working with the DIA to provide support to visitors to NZ on temporary visas, (i.e. not citizens or Permanent Resident visa-holders) who are experiencing financial hardship, being stranded in NZ due to Covid19.

Members of your community may know of people in this difficult position, and it would be great if we could let people know about the support available. More info available at foreignnationals.services.govt.nz or by calling 0800 red cross (0800 733 276)

SACRED HEART COLLEGE ASHBURTON

Reunion lunch Thurs 15 October 2020 at Hotel Ashburton 12.30pm. Contact Mary Schmack mdsmck27@gmail.com – 0275505783 or Therese Toneycliffe grahamtonycliffenz@gmail.com

National Office for Professional Standards (NOPS)

deals with complaints concerning Church personnel. For more information please contact Virginia Noonan (National Director) or Jacinta Stopforth Phone:03-3651993 or 0275-406778

Email: prof.standards@nzcbc.org.nz

or go to <https://safeguarding.catholic.org.nz/>

St Joseph's Parish Planned Giving

We encourage parishioners and regular worshippers to support our Planned Giving, & help our parish budgeting. **If you wish to make a one-off donation, our parish account name is RC Bishop of Auckland Parish Account Orakei & our account number is 02 0100 0120974 22.**

Please indicate your name as donor.

If you wish to arrange a direct debit to the parish, just contact the parish office, stjosephsorakei@xtra.co.nz

Mary, the Mother of God

What do we know about Mary? In this zoom series, Brother Kieran fms traces the understanding of Mary through history and Church Councils, starting from scripture: Mondays, 7 - 8.30pm, 28 Sept. \$25. For more info and registration: info@studyjoy.nz

7 Level Social Housing Building Planned for Brenton Place

You may know that Kainga Ora ((Housing NZ) plans to build a 7 level, 49 unit social housing building on the corner of Kepa Rd and Brenton Place. This has implications for our parish and school here in Brenton Place. You are invited to an **Orakei Community Forum, this Tuesday, 29 Sept, 7-8.30pm, at the RSA Orakei, 178 Kepa Rd, Orakei.** Andrew McKenzie, CEO of Kainga Ora, will be present. You are invited to ask your questions directly to him. Arrive early since numbers attending are limited to 100 (Level 2).

For more info, including artist's impression of the new building, visit www.orakei.org

Residential Silent Individually Guided Retreat

In the dynamic of the spiritual exercises of St Ignatius of Loyola, 'Come and See' 6 day: October 25 (10am) – 30 (4pm) St Francis Retreat Centre, Hillsborough Road. \$770 apply to chair@ignatianspirituality.nz

Diocesan Mission Map

Unpacking Session will be held Sat 14 November.

Marriage Encounter Weekend

2-4 Oct CANCELLED.

The Season of Creation is being marked throughout the Christian world till 4 October (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi). The Season celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment. Resources are accessible through the diocesan website: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/season-of-creation/> and <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/justice-peace/environment-sustainability-committee/>.

Job opportunity: Pregnancy Help Inc Auckland Branch Coordinator. The ideal candidate will be trained in counselling, be IT literate, have good management skills, be willing to commit to achieving great outcomes for vulnerable pregnant women and women in troubled pregnancies. Email CV to Kheng Tan, kdsdtan@gmail.com

PREGNANCY HELP, a charity serving vulnerable pregnant women and women facing unplanned pregnancies, is looking to lease inexpensive office space, 80 -100m2 in the suburbs within a 10 km radius of the city centre. Please contact Kheng or Dori on 09 373 2599 or auckland@pregnancyhelp.org.nz.

The New Zealand Catholic Bishops 2020 Election Statement is available at www.catholic.org.nz/assets/Uploads/Catholic-Bishops-Election-Statement-2020.pdf