

**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 Act only requires a doctor to “do their best to ensure that the person expresses their wish free from pressure.” However, the Act fails to outline how this happens. Doctors are not trained to detect coercion and are further limited in their ability to detect coercion because, unlike the Netherlands, they cannot interview others without the patient’s permission.
- Requests for an assisted death are often motivated by depression, something that is also extremely difficult to detect. There is no mandatory screening for depression in the Act.
- In the Netherlands and Belgium, disabled people and people who are mentally ill were not initially eligible. However, assisted death is now offered to people with mental illnesses and dementia, and to disabled people. The same changes will likely happen here.

**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](http://www.riskylaw.nz) or [www.votesafe.nz](http://www.votesafe.nz) or [www.carealliance.org.nz](http://www.carealliance.org.nz) or [www.nathaniel.org.nz](http://www.nathaniel.org.nz)

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

### VENERABLE SUZANNE AUBERT/ MERI HŌHEPA CELEBRATION SUNDAY 4 OCT

This Sunday we remember and celebrate the **spirituality and good works** of Venerable Suzanne Aubert known to Maori as Meri Hōhepa. We reflect on this remarkable woman’s achievements in Aotearoa/ New Zealand and are inspired as we pray that she will soon be formally recognised as New Zealand’s first Saint. Cardinal John Dew received a personal letter last month from the president of the Causes for Saints, confirming the cure attributed to Suzanne’s alleged intercession is now being closely examined in Rome. If the cure is accepted as miraculous, she will be beatified and known as Blessed, a very significant stage on her journey to Sainthood.

Her *wairua* lives on in the work of the Sisters of Compassion and their co-workers today. For more information about Suzanne Aubert and the Sisters of Compassion, go to [www.suzanneaubert.co.nz](http://www.suzanneaubert.co.nz)

#### MASS TIMETABLE

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

**Reconciliation \_ Saturday 9.30 - 10.00am**

#### SUNDAY READINGS

##### THIS WEEK

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

##### NEXT SUNDAY (11 October)

Psalm	23
1.	Isaiah 25:6-10
2.	Philippians 4:12-14,19-20
Gospel	Matthew 22:1-14



*Welcome to St Joseph's*  
CATHOLIC PARISH OF ORAKEI



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Parish Priest:	Father Patrick Brady	School Phone:	521 0866
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## 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 4 October 2020

### Hoping to Return to Level 1

We hope that this week the Auckland area will be able to return to Level 1. If the government announces a change on Monday, it is likely that Level 1 will be in place for next weekend.

***This means that we expect to be able to celebrate our Sunday Masses on 10/11 October:***

***5.30 pm Vigil Mass next Saturday, and 9.30 am and 5.00 pm Masses next Sunday.***

***Weekday Masses this week will be: Mon, Wed, Fri: 9.15am; Tues: 6.00pm; Sat 9.00 am.***

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### Message from the Parish Pastoral Council - Annual Parish Meeting

This Saturday, 3 October, your Pastoral Council had the opportunity to come together on retreat, reflect on the Gospel readings of this week, and recent musings of Pope Francis to do with subsidiarity. They were apt because the intention of the retreat was to develop a “Mission Statement” for our Parish, something that we have had on our agenda for some time. We had a very good day and were able to tease out a number of important themes and a renewed purpose.

**God willing , on Sunday 1 November at 1100 am, we will hold our Annual Parish Meeting, “in-person” in the Parish Hall. We hope to have returned to ‘normal’ by then, and so our meeting will follow 9.30am Sunday Mass on 1 November, which we hope will be a “Family Mass”.**

At that meeting we will present our **Mission Statement for the Parish**. Typically, at the annual meeting we have a short briefing from various groups within the Parish. This year has been quite disrupted with the limitations on gathering in response to the global pandemic and so some of our initiatives have been hard to get up and going. However despite this most unusual of years, it is still important that the Parish Council briefs you, and equally importantly that you have the direct opportunity to provide your feedback. And of course it’s a great opportunity to just reconnect, have a cuppa and enjoy one another’s company. I encourage you all to attend, so please note this date in you diary and I look forward to seeing you then.

On behalf of the St Joseph’s Orakei Parish Pastoral Council

Anthony McBride

**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.**

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**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**

 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](http://foreignnationals.services.govt.nz) or by calling 0800 red cross (0800 733 276)

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:mdsmck27@gmail.com) – 0275505783 or Therese Toneycliffe [grahamtonycliffenz@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:prof.standards@nzcbc.org.nz)

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

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**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](mailto:stjosephsorakei@xtra.co.nz)

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**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. For more info, including artist's impression of the new building, visit [www.orakei.org](http://www.orakei.org)

**JUBILEE BURSARY APPLICATIONS INVITED**

for Semester 1, 2021. Applicants must be Catholic and contributing to the mission of the Catholic Church in the Auckland Diocese. The bursary is a contribution toward fees for Theology and RE courses at degree and post grad level. Applications close Thurs, 12 Nov 2020. For info and application pack, contact: Michelle Jarvis: [michellej@cda.org.nz](mailto:michellej@cda.org.nz), or 360-3091.

**Online Session (Retreat Day): Who am I? –**

**Reflecting on our Identity in God** with Eamon Butler. Saturday, 28 November, 10.30am-4pm. Fee: \$60. (Please note new Date!) For more info and registration: [info@studyjoy.nz](mailto:info@studyjoy.nz) <https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/virtual-retreat-day-with-eamon-butler-who-am-i/>

**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](mailto:chair@ignatianspirituality.nz)

**Diocesan Mission Map**

**Unpacking Session will be held Sat 14 November.**

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://www.catholic.org.nz/assets/Uploads/Catholic-Bishops-Election-Statement-2020.pdf)**

**“Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam”**