

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

### The Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in Care

Please keep in your prayers the work of The Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in Care which continues to look into what happened to children, young people and vulnerable adults in care. We pray for survivors for ongoing courage as they share their experience with the Commission. The Royal Commission has been focusing on cases involving the Catholic Church, the Anglican Church and the Salvation Army. We must acknowledge failings and support the justice and reconciliation process, and look forward to the future with hope. Our bishops and congregational leaders requested that churches and faith-based organisations be included in the Royal Commission process in order to have this significant opportunity to acknowledge the past, listen and learn from the experiences of survivors, and participate in seeking justice

#### March 2021, TBC (2nd phase of the hearing)

**Faith-Based Redress Hearing: Phase Two** Witnesses for the churches will give evidence. **Tautoko\*** has started to coordinate witness statements from the Catholic Church for this part of the hearing. **\*Te Rōpū Tautoko:** the group coordinating Catholic engagement with the Royal Commission

**Found:** Car key found in parish grounds Sunday 22 November. Please contact Fr Pat.

**Food for Faith for Advent** – Father John O’Connor’s popular Food for Faith page will have daily reflections for Advent. Go to his site and sign up to get the reflections daily by email during December: [www.foodforfaith.org.nz](http://www.foodforfaith.org.nz)

### Christian Care Network

Can you help with food parcel deliveries before Christmas? It would be greatly appreciated if you can help with: **parcel delivery (3-4 max): Tuesday 22 Dec, @ 10.30 am**

*Thank you to those who have volunteered for Monday.*

After Christmas, can you help with area deliveries?

If you can help in any way, please contact Anthony, [anthonymcbride@gmail.com](mailto:anthonymcbride@gmail.com) or ph 021 521 013

#### MASS TIMETABLE

Saturday	5.30pm Vigil
Sunday	9.30 am & 5.00pm
<u>Weekday Masses</u>	
<u>(NOT DURING HOLIDAY PERIOD)</u>	
Monday	9.15 am
Tuesday	6.00 pm
Wednesday	9.15 am (4th Wed: CWL Mass at 10.30 am)
Thursday	No Mass
Friday	9.15 am
Saturday & Public Holidays	9.00 am
<u>Reconciliation</u> Saturday	9.30 - 10.00am & 5.10-5.25pm or by appointment

#### SUNDAY READINGS

##### THIS WEEK

Psalm	89
1.	2 Samuel 7:1-5,8-12,14,16
2.	Romans 16:25-27
Gospel	Luke 1:26-38

##### NEXT SUNDAY (Holy Family)

Psalm	105
1.	Genesis 15:1-6; 17:3-5,15-16; 21:1-7
2.	Hebrews 11:8,11-12,17-19
Gospel	Luke 2:22-40



Welcome to St Joseph's

CATHOLIC PARISH OF ORAKEI



16 Brenton Place, Orakei, 1071

Email:	<a href="mailto:stjosephsorakei@xtra.co.nz">stjosephsorakei@xtra.co.nz</a>	Parish Phone:	521 0871
Website:	<a href="http://www.orakeicatholic.org.nz">www.orakeicatholic.org.nz</a>	School Principal:	Sue Bennett
Parish Priest:	Father Patrick Brady	School Phone:	521 0866
Email:	<a href="mailto:patrickb@xtra.co.nz">patrickb@xtra.co.nz</a>	Website:	<a href="http://www.sjorakei.school.nz">www.sjorakei.school.nz</a>

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

20 December 2020

**Our Mission Statement:** *St Joseph's Parish is a community of disciples of Jesus, being of service to the world, for the greater glory of God*

### Happy Christmas To You All

*On Friday we begin the wonderful season of Christmas. This year the season lasts 17 days, ending on Sunday 10 January, the feast of the Baptism of Jesus.*

*All these days celebrate the coming of the Light of Christ into the world.*

*The Christmas crib remains in place throughout the season.*

*Let us thank God for the protection we have received this year though the grace of the Holy Spirit. Our thanks to all of you who have contributed to the life and mission of our parish this year.*

*May God bless you all, and your families, this Christmas time.*

*May the Lord's presence sustain you and enrich your lives throughout 2021.*

**Advent Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation** Sun 20 Dec: St Heliers 7pm

### Christmas and New Year

Thursday 24 December: 7.00 pm (1st Mass of Christmas (Family Mass))

Friday 25 December: 9.30 am (Christmas Morning Mass)

Friday 1 January 2021: 9.00 am Mass (New Year's Day)



### Holiday Mass Times Monday 28 December 2020 - Monday 1 February 2021

**Sunday Masses:** Saturday Vigil at 5.30pm; Sunday 9.30 am & 5.00 pm (as usual)

Mon, Wed & Sat: 9.00 am Mass

Tues, Thurs & Fri: No Mass (except New Year's Day)

There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays during the holiday period.



**Christmas Day Mass Shine TV** — Shine will broadcast Christmas Day Mass starting at **1.50pm**. Shine is on Free-to-air Channel 25 and Sky TV Channel 201. Mass comes from the Cathedral of St Patrick and St Joseph and the presider is Bishop Michael Gielen. Join in the singing beautifully led by the Cathedral Choir and Vocal ensemble. Or it can be watched from <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/our-events/mass/> Mass will be broadcast at 2pm next Sunday the Feast of the Holy Family and that will conclude this current provision of broadcast Masses.

### Christian Care Network Christmas Parcels



Christian Care Network (CCN) are collecting donated goods to put into 25 Christmas parcels for local families.



Food item suggestions: puddings, cakes, biscuits, nuts, jellies, sweets, chocolates, tins of fruit, cream, fish, spreads, chutneys, jams - things for the Christmas meal.

For those preferring to make financial donations, the CCN foodbank account number is: 12-3047-0089077-01 (your name in the subject line). After making your financial donation, please email: [priestleyfam@xtra.co.nz](mailto:priestleyfam@xtra.co.nz) with your name and Maxine Priestley will issue you with a tax receipt. Thank you to all our parishioners who have supported the Christian Care Network so generously this year. A merry Christmas to you all and a happy New Year. God bless. Eila and John O’Gorman

**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 to simply turn on the hot water before Mass, put out a table, & serve tea/coffee after Mass. **Call Aline: 021 137 1505**

### 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 Infirm

For the sick or infirm who wish to receive Communion in their home/residence: call 5210871 or email [patrickb@xtra.co.nz](mailto:patrickb@xtra.co.nz)

**CDA Connect** Are you wanting to know what is happening in the diocese? CDA Connect is a monthly newsletter concerning happenings in the diocese. Read the current edition <https://mailchi.mp/cda/cda-connect-issue-5827470> and sign-up to get the latest direct to your inbox.

### Children’s Liturgy of the Word

**Starting Term 1 2021. We now have a team of leaders, but would love some more!!! We plan to hold training in the 2nd half of January, on Saturdays. If you would like to join us, contact Dianne at [dianne.burgham@gmail.com](mailto:dianne.burgham@gmail.com)**

**NZ Catholic** The latest edition of NZ Catholic is available today in the church foyer, \$4.00

**2021 Columban Calendars** available today. \$12. Please give the money to Fr Pat.

### National Office for Professional Standards

(NOPS) deals with complaints concerning Church personnel. For more information

please phone **0800 114 622**

or email [prof.standards@nzcbc.org.nz](mailto: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 [stjosephsorakei@xtra.co.nz](mailto:stjosephsorakei@xtra.co.nz)

\*\*\*\*\*

**NZpray2day** - An app to encourage people to seek a moment to reflect, pray and respond to the ancient Christian cycle of seasons, saints and readings. Available from Apple’s App Store or the Google Play Store; search for NZpray2day, It is free a gift for you from Te Kupenga.

A **refreshed diocesan website** same address <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/> is live. Bishop Pat invites you to explore it. You will find messages from him and Bishop Michael regarding the Mission Map on the site as well as a wealth of information and resources.

### Social Justice Retreat

Social Justice Retreat 9am-4pm Saturday 6 March 2021 at St Francis Retreat Centre 50 Hillsborough Rd led by Fr Merv Duffy SM. It will focus on some Social Justice aspects of Mark’s Gospel and *Fratelli Tutti*. \$20 including lunch. Places are limited so please contact Peter Garrick [peterg@cda.org.nz](mailto:peterg@cda.org.nz) asap if you are interested in attending.

**“Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam”**

### Auckland Diocese Mission Map

This First Sunday of Advent marked the launching of our Diocese Mission Map, our diocesan strategic plan. The name Mission Map reminds us that it is different from what happens in business. It is not about paying dividends to stakeholders. It is about our participation in the mission of God.

As the baptised, no matter our vocational role, we are challenged to be part of this initiative using the gifts bestowed on us by the Holy Spirit for mission.

We are called to stay awake, alert to the opportunities to be moulded by God that together we might

- strengthen our Catholic communities for missionary discipleship;
- build up the spirituality of our young people,
- and care for the poor.

### Strengthen our Catholic Communities for Missionary Discipleship

#### Our goals:

- to grow and develop servant leaders
- to be strong, inclusive communities of missionary disciples;

### Build up the Spirituality of our Young People

#### Our goals:

- to make schools and parishes visible and active as one faith community
- strengthen families;

### Care for the Poor

#### Our goals:

- to be visible, present and active working for the poor and marginalised
- advocate for peace and justice
- develop and enable people who care.

### 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