

## Anybody Interested in becoming Catholic?

Fr Pat would like to hear from **anyone who is not Catholic** and may be interested in the Catholic faith. We will soon be starting sessions for people to come together to learn about the Catholic faith. Please contact Fr Pat at [patrickb@xtra.co.nz](mailto:patrickb@xtra.co.nz)

## Titipounamu Study & Joy (For more info: [www.studyjoy.nz](http://www.studyjoy.nz))

**Online Sessions** The Notion of 'Church' with Prof Thomas O'Loughlin  
<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/03/02/muffin-talk-with-prof-thomas-oloughlin/>

**SCHOOL ATTENDANCE DUES, FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE** Assistance available for families needing support with the payment of Attendance Dues for preference students attending primary & secondary schools in Auckland. Families with financial difficulties can contact their school office, parish Priest or ACFL Operations Manager 360-3069 at Auck Diocese for more info. Application forms available from school or parish, or from website: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/catholic-schools-2/>

**Local Youth Ministry and Administration Support – Catholic Diocese of Auckland** Are you a self-motivated relationship-builder who wants to make a meaningful positive impact in the lives of young people? The Diocese of Auckland want someone to join our in the role of Local Ministry and Administration Support. You'll be part of a tight-knit team implementing a bold new strategy for ministry to young people in the Diocese of Auckland. For more information, please visit: [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/)

**University Ministry Coordinator – Catholic Diocese of Auckland** Are you a self-motivated relationship-builder who can be the driving force behind a new project? We're looking for someone who answers "Yes!" to become our full-time University Ministry Coordinator. You'll be part of a tight-knit team implementing a bold new strategy for ministry to young people in the Diocese of Auckland. For more information, please visit: [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/)

**Whāia te Tika** the latest newsletter of the diocesan Justice and Peace Commission is now available <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Combined-Final-March-27.pdf>

### USUAL MASS TIMETABLE

Saturday	5.30 pm (Vigil)
Sunday	9.30 am & 5.00 pm
<b>Weekday Masses</b>	
Monday	9.15 am
Tuesday	6.00 pm
Wednesday	No Mass except for School Masses & CWL Mass (4th Wed)
Friday	6pm + (2nd Fri: 7pm Tongan Mass)
Saturday	9.00 am
<b>Public Holidays:</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>
<b>Reconciliation</b>	
Saturday	9.30 - 10 am & 5.00 - 5.25 pm (or by appt)

### SUNDAY READINGS THIS WEEK

Psalm 33  
 1. Acts 6:1-7  
 2. 1 Peter 2:4-9  
 Gospel John 14:1-12

### NEXT WEEK

Psalm 66  
 1. Acts 8:5-8, 14-17  
 2. 1 Peter 3:15-18  
 Gospel John 14:15-21



Welcome to St Joseph's  
 CATHOLIC PARISH OF ORAKEI



16 Brenton Place, Orakei, 1071

**Parish:** Website: [www.orakeicatholic.org.nz](http://www.orakeicatholic.org.nz)      **School:** Website: [www.sjorakei.school.nz](http://www.sjorakei.school.nz)  
 Email: [stjosephsorakei@xtra.co.nz](mailto:stjosephsorakei@xtra.co.nz)      Email: [principal@sjorakei.school.nz](mailto:principal@sjorakei.school.nz)  
 Phone: (09) 521 0871      Phone: (09) 521 0866  
 Priest: Fr Patrick Brady - [patrickb@xtra.co.nz](mailto:patrickb@xtra.co.nz)      Principal: Sue Bennett  
 Parish Pastoral Council (PPC): Email: [ppc.sjo@gmail.com](mailto:ppc.sjo@gmail.com)  
 Garth Bray   Lisa Filitonga   Steve Koppens   Anthony McBride   Alfie Uluinayau

## Fifth Sunday of Easter - 7 May 2023

**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.**

### Message from St Joseph's New Parish Pastoral Council

Recently we have been calling for dedicated parish women to consider serving on the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC). The new PPC would benefit greatly from the insights, perspective and leadership of women in our parish. Pink Nomination forms are available in the foyer. **Nominations close this Wednesday 10 May.** Please consider this opportunity for yourself or a woman in the parish you would support.

Ngā Mihi. Lisa, Alfie, Steve, Garth, Anthony      Email: [ppc.sjo@gmail.com](mailto:ppc.sjo@gmail.com)

**"You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood" 1 Peter 2:9**

This verse from today's Mass expresses what it means to be the people of God as understood in the early church: that all Church members, as members of the Body of Christ, shared in the priestly work of the risen Lord, offering praise and thanks to God, and offering themselves "through him, with him, in him". However, as time went by, this understanding gradually got lost, because in the Mass, which is where we, priest and people, express most fully our priestly work of offering the sacrifice of Christ together, the people found themselves shut out of the action. The first main cause was the Church continuing to use Latin when the people no longer understood it. By the 9th century only priests knew Latin. Another cause was priests gradually taking over everything the lay people used to say and do. By 1200 lay people saw the Mass as something only the priest offered; they no longer had a sense they were offering the Mass with the priest. From about 1800, individuals and groups tried to change things, but things really only changed with the 2nd Vatican Council (1962-65). This is when the Mass began to be celebrated in people's own language with people once again able to participate. But even now, a lot of priests still think of themselves as standing *between* God and the people, representing the people before God, rather than thinking of themselves as one with the people, *standing before God together*. Many lay people still think this way too. We have a way to go before all Catholics see themselves as offering Mass together, sharing baptismal priesthood together, rather than thinking of the priest offering Mass, with the people merely attending. God bless you all. Fr Pat

**PLEASE NOTE: NO MASSES MON - THURS THIS WEEK; TONGAN MASS FRI 7PM; SAT MASS 9AM.**

## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Wednesday Afternoon from 4.30—5.30pm.



## Christian Care Network

Please contact our helpline for assistance: 09 521 5712. All calls confidential. Or St Vincent de Paul 0800 22 22 96. To help CCN,



you can donate non-perishable goods at church:

**Food items Needed Currently:**  
\*\*\* 2 Minute Maggi Noodles  
\*\*\* Flour

\*\*\* 500 ml Cooking Oil  
\*\*\* Canned Vegetables

or donate via the CCN bank a/c. **The CCN food-bank account number is: 12-3047-0089077-01 (your name in the subject line).** After donating, email: [priestleyfam@xtra.co.nz](mailto:priestleyfam@xtra.co.nz) with your name; Maxine Priestley will issue a tax receipt.

## Pastoral Care

**Anointing of the Sick:** for those seriously sick, frail, having surgery or near death. Please contact Fr Pat  
**Hospital Visits and Chaplaincy:** In hospital? contact Fr Pat or ask the hospital staff to let the chaplain know.  
**Ministry to the Sick and Infirm** requesting Communion at home call 521 0871 or email [patrickb@xtra.co.nz](mailto:patrickb@xtra.co.nz)

## Altar Servers for St Joseph's Parish

We invite children aged 9+, who have received Confirmation and Eucharist, to begin altar server training. Parents are invited to contact Fr Pat, [patrickb@xtra.co.nz](mailto:patrickb@xtra.co.nz), if their children would like to be involved.

**Family/Whanau are the 1st Educators in Faith.** go to <https://www.faithjourney.co.nz>

## Jubilee Bursary Semester 2, 2023

For Theology and RE courses. Applications close Thursday, 8 June 2023. Please contact: [michellej@cda.org.nz](mailto:michellej@cda.org.nz)

**“Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam”**

## Practical Support Contacts

Women's Refuge	0800 REFUGE
Pregnancy Help	09 373 2599
Shine	0508 744 633
Alcohol & Drug Helpline	0800 787 797
Oranga Tamariki call centre	0508 FAMILY
CADS	09 845 1818
Narcotics Anonymous	0800628 632
Alcoholics Anonymous	0800 229 6757
Lifeline	0800 543 354
Youthline	0800 376 633
Samaritans	0800 726 666
Depression Helpline	0800 543 354
Suicide Prevention Helpline	0508 828 88 65
Fairway Mediation Services	0800 77 44 20
Linkpeople (Homeless)	0800 932 432
Kidslines	0800 942 8787
Need to Talk?	Call/text 1737
Victim Support	0800 842 846
Rainbow Youth	09 376 4155
What's Up?	0800 942 8787
Safe to Talk	0800 044 334
Better Blokes	09 378 6812
Rape Crisis Centre	0800 88 33 00

### \* Assistance with Food

In addition to the Christian Care Network :  
Vinnies Auckland, Onehunga: 815 6122  
or 0800 680 090  
Work and Income: 0800 559 00

**Fake Facebook/Messenger** accounts purporting to be Bishop Pat are operating. If you are friended by a fake account, please report this to Facebook. More information at: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/fb/> Stay safe.

**St Joseph's School, Orakei** is taking enrolments. Enquiries welcome. Ph 09 521 0866 or email [principal@sjorakei.school.nz](mailto:principal@sjorakei.school.nz)

**Bishop Steve's Cyclone and Flood Appeals raise \$621,000** A huge thank you from Bishop Steve for the generous support for the two emergency appeals to support our brothers and sisters impacted by the floods and cyclones in Auckland, Northland, the Coromandel, Hawkes Bay region and Gisborne/Tairāwhiti. Both campaigns have now closed. To find out more, please visit the Caring Foundation's website news and events page <https://caringfoundation.org.nz/news/>

## National Office for Professional Standards

(NOPS) deals with complaints concerning Church personnel. For more information ph 0800 114 622 or email [prof.standards@nzcbc.org.nz](mailto:prof.standards@nzcbc.org.nz) or go to: <https://safeguarding.catholic.org.nz/>  
**Te Rōpū Tautoko** coordinates Catholic responses to the Commission on Abuse in Care. Find out more at [www.tautoko.catholic.org.nz](http://www.tautoko.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. To arrange a direct debit to the parish, just contact [stjosephsorakei@xtra.co.nz](mailto:stjosephsorakei@xtra.co.nz)

As required under Auckland Diocesan Norms, all donations are split 33% for the support of Clergy/Bishop and 67% for Parish/Diocese activities unless donors instruct otherwise.  
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**Muffin Talk** Radio recordings & video clips on religion, interfaith & community available at <https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/>

## Latest NZ Catholic for sale. Price \$4:

- \*\* Bishop Campbell returns to Holy Cross Seminary
- \*\* Reflections on motherhood by four Catholic women.
- \*\* Exorcism a hot topic for films and books.
- \*\* Priest ordained in south.

**Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College** will be accepting enrolment for Second Semester for Bachelor of Divinity and Graduate Diploma in Theology between April 24 – May 19. Full-time or part-time study, in-person or online learning available. Email [admin@ctc.ac.nz](mailto:admin@ctc.ac.nz) call (09)3611053 or check the website [www.ctc.ac.nz](http://www.ctc.ac.nz) for more information.

Combined prayer for the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** Friday 26 May, 7pm, Takapuna Methodist Church, 427 Lake Road, Takapuna, Auckland 0622.

**Mary in the Scriptures** Kieran Fenn fms. Mon 19/26 June & 03/10 July, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Free. Donation/Koha welcome. <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/04/25/mary-in-the-scriptures/>

## Auckland Diocese Mission Map

Our Mission Map, our diocesan strategic plan, calls us to take the opportunities to be moulded by God to:  
\*\*\* strengthen our Catholic communities for missionary discipleship;  
\*\*\* build up the spirituality of our young people,  
\*\*\* 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 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.

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## Safeguarding in the Church

Our diocese offers guidance on safeguarding practices/policies. All parishioners/volunteers need to keep up to date to ensure safety. Please visit regularly <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/services/safeguarding/>

## Synod on Synodality: Latest News

On Friday, 31 March 2023, the Continental Stage, that is, the second stage of the **synodal process**, officially ended. The inclusion of a time to listen, dialogue and discern among the Churches of the same geographical area after the Local Stage (diocesan and national) represented a new feature. You can download and read the response to the Continental document *Expanding the Tent* from the Oceania community at <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/synod/>

## The Sisters of the Sacred Heart at Baradene Convent

are seeking a **Nurse Manager**. Hours are flexible & weekdays, supporting 8 retired women and leading a small team of 24/7 caring staff. Please apply on Seek or email [clare@clarewade.co.nz](mailto:clare@clarewade.co.nz) in confidence.