

NOTICES

Masterclass Young Leaders' Formation, Sunday 25 Feb.- Youth leaders, you're invited to Masterclass, our quarterly event focused on equipping you for ministry. There will be relevant workshops, fantastic (free) kai, and opportunities to connect with other young leaders! Masterclass will be taking place on Sunday 25 October, 2:30pm – 8:00pm, at the Pompallier Diocesan Centre, 30 New Street, Ponsonby. Register at masterclassCDA.eventbrite.com

Young Leaders' Commissioning Mass, Sunday 25 Feb- Join us as we begin another grace-filled year of youth ministry in the Diocese! Our Commissioning Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Steve Lowe, who will commissioning our young leaders as they are sent out for ministry in 2024. This special mass will be taking place at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 25 February at 7pm. Please join us to support our young leaders.

Christian Meditation-The Cathedral parish is hosting sessions on Meditation in the Christian tradition Mondays at 5.30pm register with Anita anita@stpatricks.org.nz

Taizé Prayer- Friday 16 Feb at 7pm, Mary MacKillop Chapel, 56 Selwyn Ave, Mission Bay

A Time for Every Season - Mary MacKillop Retreat Centre, 56 Selwyn Ave, Mission Bay. Led by Sr Jill McLoughlin Sat 17 Feb 10am – 1pm \$35 waged/\$25 unwaged. Registrations to Sr Jill McLoughlin by Feb14th MBSpirituality@sosj.org.au -MOB 02109115260

Living as Beloved Retreat - Mary MacKillop Retreat Centre, 30 Holdgate Road, Kohimarama, Led by Eamon Butler and Jeannie Blaker Thurs 22nd Feb 7pm – Sun 25 Feb \$420 Registrations by Feb15th to Eamon_david@hotmail.com- MOB 021 027 9142

Lent at St Michael's—In the lead up to Lent, St Michael's RE Committee invites you to a programme of five weekly talks by Fr Merv Duffy. This unique series is designed to enrich our understanding of Lent, deepen our faith, as well as explore the mysteries and significance of the Eucharist during this sacred season. This programme will be presented on Tues evenings at St Michael's beginning Tues 20 Feb 7.00pm – 8.00pm. Register at St Michael's website <https://www.remueracatholic.org.nz/lenten-programme>

Auckland Catholic Singles Social group.

Our event will take place at **6pm on 24 February at the Lantern Festival** held out at Manukau Sports Bowl: Te Irirangi Drive, Manukau City Centre, Auckland. There's all kinds of stalls so the plan is to walk around, see what's on offer and take in the amazing lantern displays that have made the festival such a longstanding event in the history of Auckland. RSVP to me to get the exact meeting location as there are sure to be crowd. Coming up very soon: **9 Mar Movies in the Park : Coco-23 Mar Takapuna beach hike and picnic-14 Apr Bach's B-Minor Mass.** RSVP aklcatholicssinglesocialgroup@gmail.com

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY Tuesday 13 February. Tuesday 13 February is World Marriage Day. Pope Francis in Amoris Laetitia: *"Marriage based on an exclusive and definitive love becomes an icon of the relationship between God and his people and vice versa. God's way of loving becomes the measure of human love. Approved Diocesan Marriage Preparation Course* - Please book your course by email: marriageandfamily@cda.org.nz or call Gerry on M:021 02247442.

The Marian Early Childhood Centre is an apostolate of the Catholic Diocese of Auckland located in Panmure, beside St. Patrick's Church. We cater for children from 2 to 5 years of age. Our centre hours are from Monday to Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm. **Please contact Abigail Tigley -09 570 5690**

Pro Life FREE EVENT -Christian medical professionals may find it particularly hard, now that abortion is often viewed as simply another health service and euthanasia is presented as a choice. If you have ever felt like this, you are not alone. The Auckland Voice for Life Training Day, at the Reformed Church of the North Shore, Trias Road, Sunnynook, on 2 March, 2024. Contact auckland@voiceforlife.org.nz for more information.

Catholic Women's League Orakei invites women and men to our Picnic/BBQ at Okahu Bay on Wednesday, 28th February. We begin with a Mass at St. Joseph's Church, Orakei at 10.30am and after Mass, we car pool to Okahu Bay. Should it rain, the event will be in the church Hall. Cost \$20 for food and charity. For more information, ring Tina Raines on 021 940 950/5212499. Email. tina-raines2703@gmail.com

Want to know what happened at the Synod in October? - Everyone is invited to join one of the two evening Zooms to hear Auckland Vicar for Māori Manuel Beazley, St Joseph's Levin parish Priest Fr Dennis Nacorda and Archbishop of Wellington Paul Martin, SM. Register now to attend one of these special one-hour Zoom sessions:

Tuesday 13 February 7:30pm. Register here: <http://tinyurl.com/yc8c2s28>

Thursday 15 February 7:30pm. Register here: <http://tinyurl.com/4e2hnf9p>



NZ Catholic
The national Catholic magazine
Kiwi Catholic and Anglican bishops in Rome and UK
End of an era for Auckland Square gift store owner

Fun and Faith
Hundreds of teens at annual Catholic camp - pg 10

The latest issue in your church Sunday Feb. 11


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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are the parish of Our Lady of Fatima, within the Diocese of Auckland. We strive with the help of the Holy Spirit to build a Eucharistic Community and through our lives proclaim the Kingdom of God.

5th Sunday Ordinary Time		Next Sunday's readings	
Reading 1	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46	Reading 1	Gn 9:8-15
Psalm	Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11	Psalm:	Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Reading 2	1 Cor 10:31–11:1	Reading 2	1 Pt 3:18-22
Gospel	Mk 1:40-45	Gospel	Mk 1:12-15



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Lord if you want to you can cure me
Mark 1: 40
Am I able to ask God for the healing I need or am I embarrassed, frightened or think myself not worthy?

REFLECTION

JESUS TOUCHED HIM. Jesus included the healing of lepers among the list of miracles which would authenticate his mission. He also communicated this power to his disciples (Mt 10:8). In today's Gospel, he not only heals a leper, he lays his hand upon him. It is a gesture of acceptance (and perhaps even of solidarity) with social outcast. (St Pauls Sunday Missal, 2012, p.618).



Stay Connected

Please visit the parish website to keep up to date www.meadowbankcatholic.org.nz

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MASS TIMES

WEEKEND

Sunday Eucharist 9:30am
Saturday Vigil 5:30pm

WEEK DAYS

Monday 9am
Tuesday 9am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
6:30pm Rosary, Novena & Mass

Wednesday 9am
Thursday 9am
Friday 9am
Saturday 8am Adoration
8:30am Rosary
9am Mass

RECONCILIATION

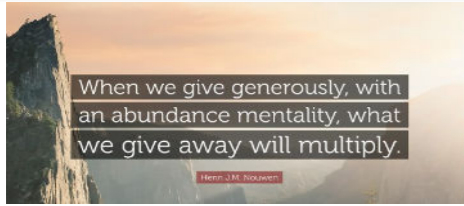
Every Saturday 9:30 – 10am

EVERY MONTH

First Friday Encounter
7pm - 8:30pm Come and encounter our Lord in adoration, worship & prayer

First Saturday Anointing of the Sick at 9am Mass

PARISH GIVING



Every gift that you make helps to advance our parish mission of building a Eucharistic Community and maintains the financial health of our parish operations and programmes.

Donation Tap Point—found at the entrance of our church foyer.

Giving Envelopes—these can be placed at in the collections taken up during Saturday Vigil/Sunday Mass. Email lofatimaparish@gmail.com

One-Off or Regular Giving—Do a transfer online and set up an auto-payment to support our parish regularly.

To sign up and for more information, please visit <https://bit.ly/olofgiving>

For your tax receipt please email the parish office lofatimaparish@gmail.com

The bank account details A/C Name: **R C Bishop of Auckland**

Meadowbank Parish 02-0108-0707665-000

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Last Week's Collection:

Parish Support \$ 578.40

Priest Support \$ 463.70

The above amounts exclude automatic payments, direct credits and tap and go.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Legion of Mary



To join the OLOF Legion of Mary, please contact Nina, or Jo. We meet every Sunday at 10:45am, or please email us lofatimaparish@gmail.com

Join us to pray the rosary before Mass, Monday to Saturday at 8.30 am.

Health and Safety

Parish Health and Safety Coordinator: **Asha Patel**, email : ashapat65@gmail.com. Working closely with Lisa-May Gray- Safeguarding Coordinator Catholic Diocese of Auckland.

Volunteering & Serving at OLOF

Please email oloffaith@gmail.com to explore & find out some of the ways to serve at OLOF.

Become Catholic (RCIA)

Are you or someone you know curious about the Catholic faith or looking into becoming Catholic, Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is for you. For more info olofrcia@gmail.com

OLOF Health & Healing

A short video session on the 1st Saturday of the month. All welcome for cup of tea and some discussion on the topic.

We wish you a happy Lunar New Year

Year of the Dragon

OLOF Men

Join the men of our parish once a month at 6:30pm for dinner, short content and a discussion. First meeting 2024 is **Wed 21 Feb at 6.30.**

OLOF Men's 40-day Adoration Challenge- 14 Feb - 24 Mar 2024. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the mornings and evenings. From Ash Wednesday, Feb 14 to Palm Sunday Mar 24. Read, Meditate, Pray, Listen to Jesus. Volunteers (men & women) are needed. Please see the Roster

Alpha @ Our Lady of Fatima

Next Alpha starts on Thursday 1 February 2024. Check out bit.ly/olofalphacourse

Children's Liturgy

Every Sunday 9:30am during the school term.

Sacrament of Baptism

For Infant Baptism, Preparation class every 3rd Saturday at 9.45 am, please register on our website. For Child Baptism, please contact the parish office for inquiries.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please visit www.catholicmarriage.org.nz, or call Gerry on M:021 02247442

Counselling & Accompaniment

Counsellor: Dr John Evangelista

To book a time please contact the Parish Office 09 521 5244, or email: lofatimaparish@gmail.com.

PARISH PROGRAMMES

The 2024 Sacramental Programme starts on **Sat 17 Feb at 4.30 pm.** Children must attend all the sessions. Please go to <https://bit.ly/olofsacprog> for the complete timetable.

Please pray for all leaders and children in the programme

Sacramental Programme for Non-Mt Carmel students will be offered later in the year.

Upcoming Retreats & Events at St Francis Retreat Centre

Time Out Day For those who seek a day retreat - 9:30am - 2:30pm (\$30 includes lunch)
Wed 21 Feb 2024, Thu 21 Mar 2024, Tues 16 Apr.

Women's Prayer Retreat A reflective prayer retreat in the Catholic tradition for Women | Fri 16 Feb 5pm - Sun 18 Feb 3pm | Early bird (by 31 Jan) \$300 | Standard (after 31 Jan) \$330

Homecoming - A Lenten retreat reflecting on the spiritual implications of Rembrandt's painting and Henri Nouwen's book "The Return of the Prodigal Son" | Fri 22 Mar 7pm- Sun 24 Mar 7pm. For more info/book call 09 625 6651 or visit www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz

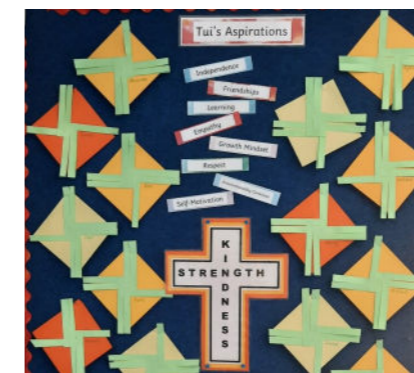
Lent Appeal 2024

Lenten Appeal 2024 begins on Ash Wednesday, 14 Feb 2024. Please take an envelope and donate generously, or transfer to the Parish Account with the Code : **LAPL2024**. Thank you.

The Walter Francis Darby Trust Scholarship for Medical Students If you are a fourth- or fifth-year medical student in 2024, are an active Catholic and normally reside within the Auckland Diocese you may be eligible for the Walter Francis Darby Trust Scholarship. For more information email scholarships@cda.org.nz

MT CARMEL SCHOOL

School Mass -Ash Wednesday 14 Feb at 11 am..



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What's happening in our parish?

Mon: 9 am Mass

Tues 9 am LOWHC, 6:30pm Novena & Mass.

Every Tuesday 6:30pm—Novena to Our Lady of Fatima & Rosary in church and also online. ID: 843 6371 4845 | Passcode: 953536; Mass 7pm.

Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat—Mass at 9 am.

14 Feb **Ash Wednesday—Lent begins. Mass at 9 am, and 7pm. School Mass at 11 am.**

16 Feb—Stations of the Cross at 7 pm. Every Friday during Lent we pray the Stations at 7pm.

17 Feb—Baptism Course for parents at 9.45am- 10.45

20 Feb—Baptism Programme for children 7 years +, at 4.30—5.30 pm.

24 Mar Palm Sunday

28 Mar Holy Thursday

29 Mar Good Friday

30 Mar Holy Saturday—Easter Vigil

31 Mar **Easter Sunday**

BARADENE COLLEGE - OPEN DAY TOURS - Tues 27, Wed 28 & Thurs 29 Feb 2024

BOOKINGS online www.baradene.school.nz REQUIRED (bookings open 9.00am Tues 20 Feb)

Tour times: 9am and 10am each day. Please book your time by 3.00pm Mon 26 Feb

Enrolments for Year 7, 2025 and for limited places in other Year levels are being accepted now and will close at 3pm on Friday 15 March, 2024.

Sacred Heart College Open Day, Wednesday, 28 February, at 10am and 1pm. We welcome your parish families to join us for a presentation in our Auditorium followed by tours of the College. Parking will be available at Gates 3 & 4, West Tamaki Road.

Enrolment into Year 7 and Year 9, 2025, are now open, with the close date of Friday 5 April

Visit www.sacredheart.school.nz for more info

St Paul's Open Day- Thursday 7th March 2024, 9.30am, or 1.45 pm. Assembly in the College Chapel, followed by a tour of the school.

183 Richmond Rd -Ponsonby.

More info please go to stpaulscollege.co.nz.