

## NOTICES

**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. To learn more, please visit: [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/)

**By the Stream-** a retreat for young adults aged 18-35 years. 12th - 14 April 2024. Houghton Bush Camp, Muriwai. Fee \$80. Register : <http://tinyurl.com/GetSet2024>

Join **Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College** for its new webinar series, A Taste of Theology from April-December 2024 every first Tuesday of the month. These are one-hour sessions with topics on Philosophy, Canon Law, Spirituality, Scripture, Moral Theology, etc. Four sessions revisit the documents of Vatican II. Cost of \$60 one-off. For more information and to register, go to [www.tekupenga.ac.nz/tasteoftheology](http://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/tasteoftheology).

**Concert with Fr Chris Skinner SM**, Mary MacKillop Chapel, Sun7 April at 2pm, Koha \$10.

**CDA Connect**—The latest issue, a roundup of happenings in the diocese and what's coming up is now out. <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/services/cda-connect/>



**HOW CAN OUR CHURCH BE A SYNODAL CHURCH IN MISSION?** How we can make our parish to be more active and vibrant community in the mission of Christ? On **Tuesday, April 2nd—7.00pm in Ellerslie Church Hall**, Sister Sian will be making a presentation on the Synodal Church in Mission.. Kindly register using the QR code or

fill in the forms at church foyer. Parish of the Immaculate Conception, 66 Main Ellerslie Highway, Auckland.

The Catholic Diocese of Auckland is looking for **Accountant**- The Accountant role will assist the Diocesan Accounting Manager and CFO with operational leadership for the financial management of the Diocese and its related entities. In this role, you will be responsible for ensuring all financial reporting requirements, imperatives are delivered accurately and add value to the organisation. You will provide accurate, timely and relevant statutory and monthly management reporting information for entities which ensures the Diocese both fully meets its statutory requirements and to support the Diocese in the achievement of its strategic goals. To view the full advert and the position description please go to our website [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz) under **Diocesan Services and Staff Vacancies**. Applications close 19 April 2024.

Seeking to employ a suitably qualified person to work as a member of Tira Tūhāhā **Prison Chaplaincy**- 20 hours per week. Please go [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz). Close 5 April.

**Approved Diocesan Marriage Preparation Course** - Please book your course by email: [marriageandfamily@cda.org.nz](mailto:marriageandfamily@cda.org.nz) or call Gerry on M:021 02247442.

**Onehunga Vinnies Op shop needs volunteers** to help test and tag electrical donations. Full training given to the right volunteer. Please contact **Wanda Ph: 634-2697 or 021-248-0629 or vinniesop-shop.onehunga@gmail.com** to find out more.

**Workshops for Ministers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**. The Liturgy Centre is offering liturgical ministry workshops across the deaneries, which will cover training/refreshers for Ministers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. These workshops will consist of context, prayer, and practical formation in these areas. Participants will only need to attend ONE of these workshops. All will receive a certificate at completion, which will be posted to their parish and presented at mass on a chosen date/time. Each session will be held on a specific Sunday at a parish within the designated deanery, from 1pm-3pm (with light lunch provided).14th April | East (St Mark Pakuranga).5th May | South (St Anne Manurewa).19th May | North Shore (St Joseph Takapuna) Register via the link below or contact your parish office/priest: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/liturgy-prayer/formation>

**Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand Executive Assistant** - plenty of EA experience, excellent communication skills, and the ability to manage time well. Affinity with Caritas' mission is a plus. Visit <https://www.caritas.org.nz/work-with-us>

**Bible Stories - What do they mean?** With Bible Scholar Kieran Fenn fms.. Sundays, 07 Apr, 05 May 2024, 5-6pm (Zoom). Koha . <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2024/01/19/bible-stories-what-do-they-mean/>

<https://indd.adobe.com/view/a8a79db0-cdb5-472a-85e0-06e5df51e0e9> FREE ONLINE NZ CATHOLIC



## OUR LADY OF FATIMA

### EASTER SUNDAY

31st March 2024

### 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.

Ester Sunday		Next Sunday's readings	
Reading 1	Acts 10:34a, 37-43	Reading 1	Acts 4:32-35
Psalm	Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23.	Psalm:	Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24
Reading 2	Col 3:1-4, or I Cor 5:6b-8, Sequence	Reading 2	1 Jn 5:1-6
Gospel	Jn 20:1-9	Gospel	Jn 20:19-31



### REFLECTION

*CHRIST IS RISEN. ALLELUIA!* The empty tomb, and the neatly folded burial clothes, were signs that led the Beloved Disciple to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In the witness of the apostles, and the faithfulness, courage and love of our fellow Christians, we too have powerful signs that Christ is risen and lives among us. Observing them, our faith cries out: 'Alleluia!' (St Pauls Sunday Missal, 2012, p.306).



### Stay Connected

Please visit the parish website to keep up to date [www.meadowbankcatholic.org.nz](http://www.meadowbankcatholic.org.nz)

### PARISH OFFICE

**PARISH PRIEST**  
Fr Austin Fernandes

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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

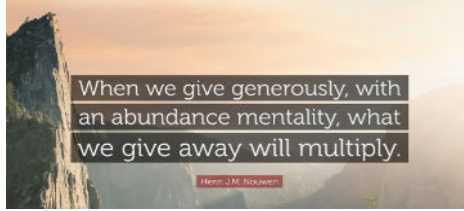
Every Saturday 9:30 – 10am

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

**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](mailto:lofatimaparish@gmail.com)

**One-Off or Regular Giving**—Do a transfer online and set up an auto-payment to support our parish regularly. The bank account details A/C Name: **R C Bishop of Auckland**

**Meadowbank Parish 02-0108-0707665-000**

**Meadowbank House 02-0108-0707665-001**

For your tax receipt please email the parish office [lofatimaparish@gmail.com](mailto:lofatimaparish@gmail.com)

### Last Week's Collection:

Parish Support \$ 551.00

Priest Support \$ 311.40

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



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

## PARISH MINISTRIES

### Legion of Mary

Upcoming Annual Gathering

### The Legion of Mary Senatus NZ ACIES

The purpose of ACIES is to renew and deepen our consecration to Mary at least once a year. **Friday 5 April 2024** starts at 6.30pm with Rosary and Legion Prayers, 7pm Mass. Principal Celebrant : Bishop Steve- Christ the King Parish -Owairaka. Invite your spiritual Director. Please bring a plate for refreshment

To know more about the Legion of Mary in our parish, please email [lofatimaparish@gmail.com](mailto:lofatimaparish@gmail.com) or contact **Nina** or **Jo**. Join us to pray the rosary before Mass, Mon to Sat at 8.30 am.

### Health and Safety

- **Be aware of hazards**
- **Safety First: Know where your nearest emergency exit is**
- **STOP -THINK- ACT . In an emergency, keep calm.**
- **Follow the warden's instructions**
- **Raise the alarm - Safely exit- Assembly point** (Parish Health and Safety Coordinator: Asha Patel).

### Volunteering & Serving at OLOF

Please email [oloffaith@gmail.com](mailto:oloffaith@gmail.com) to explore & find out some of the ways to serve at OLOF.

Thank you for all you do

### OLOF Men

Join the men of our parish once a month at 6:30pm for dinner, short reflection and discussion. Next meeting **Wed 17 April 2024**

### Alpha @ Our Lady of Fatima

Please register your interest at [bit.ly/olofalphacourse](http://bit.ly/olofalphacourse)

### Children's Liturgy

Every Sunday 9:30am during the school term. Our last children's liturgy for term 1 will be on Sun7th April. **We will start again on Sunday 5th May.**

### Sacrament of Baptism

For Infant Baptism, Preparation class every 3rd Saturday at 9.45 am, please register on our website.

### Counselling & Accompaniment

Counsellor: Dr John Evangelista. To book a time please contact the Parish Office 09 521 5244 , or email: [lofatimaparish@gmail.com](mailto:lofatimaparish@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.

### Becoming Catholic

**Congratulations to Peng Yu, Inji Hwang, Melissa Larsen & Hayden Erick, Richard Walker-Randall & Neil Bleakley** who have been baptised/received in the Catholic church, and received their Sacrament of Confirmation and Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil Mass. We welcome you into the life of the Catholic Church. May your journey be blessed and fruitful.

## PARISH PROGRAMMES

### The 2024 Sacramental Programme

The children have chosen their Saints, check out their beautiful art works on the wall. Bishop Steve will be with us to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on **Thursday 4th April at 7pm**

Please continue to pray for all children as they are completing their Sacramental programme

### Upcoming Retreats & Events at St Francis Retreat Centre

**Time Out Day** - 21/3 and 16/4 at 9:30am - 2:30pm (\$30 includes lunch) .

**Homecoming** - A Lenten retreat | Fri 22/3 at 7pm- 7pm Sun 24/3. For more info/book call 09 625 6651 or visit

[www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz](http://www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz)

### Divine Mercy Feast

### St Benedict's Parish Sunday 7th April at 5:30pm.

1 St Benedict's Street, Eden Terrace. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Blessing of Images, Benediction, Holy Mass, Veneration of St Faustina's relic. Bring your Divine Mercy images & artefacts to be blessed. Free Parking at Wilson carpark & street parking is also free on Sunday.



**At St Mark's Parish, 334 Pakuranga Rd, Sunday 7 April at 3-4pm.** All Welcome. For more info, call Susanna Lee :021 1695317

**Fulfilled: The Promise of the Christian Life**—looks deeply at the 'ache' of human longing and opens the eyes of our hearts to the hope of infinite bliss in Christ. **Sat 13 and Sun 14 April, 8am -6pm**, Mission Bay, Auckland. All adults 20+ are welcome. For more info and to register please visit: [theologyofthebody.nz](http://theologyofthebody.nz)



### MT CARMEL SCHOOL

Welcome our new children and families to Mt Carmel School. Oscar Bent, Jonothan Roberston, Zoe Van Ansem and Lily Erick joined us in Pukeko class. In Kiwi Hub Yehan Jayawardena has joined us coming from Sri Lanka.

1st April	Easter Monday
2nd April	Easter Tuesday Holiday
12th April	End of Term 1
29th April	Term 2 Starts

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### Happy Easter

**May the peace of our Risen Lord be with you always.**

The Catholic Church invites us to celebrate the Easter season (also known as "Eastertide") for 50 days, culminating with the feast of Pentecost. The resurrection of Christ is so powerful it is impossible to confine the wonderful news of Christ's rising from the dead to one feast day. There are seven Sundays of Easter season, so that it can help us to deepen the joy of being saved, so we can fully take in the promise of Jesus: "Father, you have given them to me, and I want them to be with me where I am " (John 17:24). (Source: Catholic Encyclopedia).

Second Sunday of Easter : Divine Mercy Sunday, 7 April 2024.

Anzac Day: Thursday 25 April 2024

St Peter Chanel, Patron Saint of New Zealand: Monday 29 April 2024.

Mon: 9 am Mass

Tues:9 am LOWHC, 6.30pm Novena & Mass. Every Tuesday 6.30pm—Novena to Our Lady of Fatima & Rosary ; Mass 7pm. Also Online.

Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat—Mass at 9 am.

Reconciliation: Every Saturday after 9 am Mass.

**Tax Receipts— If you request tax receipts for your donations, please kindly wait till after Easter, and then we will process it. Thank you for your patience.**

### Tour of Bishops House

The archives of the Auckland Catholic Diocese will be providing a presentation, exhibition of items related to Bishop Pompallier and a tour of Bishops House for parish groups. It will take approximately an hour on a Saturday morning. Bookings will be essential.

The times will be 9.30 am and 11.00 am and the dates are:

**27 April -25 May -22 June -27 July 2024.**

Once you have a group of up to12 contact us to set a date. You can either email [archives@cda.org.nz](mailto:archives@cda.org.nz) or phone (09) 360 3064