

Mass Intentions For your convenience there are pre-printed envelopes in the foyer for those parishioners who would like Father Pat to offer a Mass for anyone. Kindly complete all details and hand to Fr Pat.

REUNIONS !!

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL, OTARA, GOLDEN JUBILEE. on October 20th and 21st, 2017. To register, go to www.facebook.com/stjohnsotara or call 09 274 8214 for a registration form to be sent to you. The Jubilee dinner costs \$30 per person, other Jubilee activities are free. The Jubilee Mass will be celebrated at 5.30pm on Saturday 21st October

Marist School, Mt Albert warmly invites you to join us in celebrating our 90th Birthday!!!

- ◆ **Saturday 28th October 2017** Join us for a Champagne High Tea and a trip down memory lane from 12pm-4pm. Tickets: \$35 adults, \$10 children 12 and under. To purchase tickets visit www.marist.school.nz
- ◆ **Sunday 29th October 2017** Celebrate Mass with us at St Mary's Church at 10am followed by refreshments in the school hall.

ROLIFE FACTS The biggest 40 Days for Life campaign ever will take place in 375 cities between September 27 – November 5. 40 Days for Life is a peaceful community-based campaign encompassing the key elements of Prayer and fasting, Vigil and Community outreach. The aim is to promote a culture of life and to bring an end to abortion in our societies. As Shawn Carney, President of 40 Days for Life, has pointed out, the abortion industry is an industry that survives on despair. Although New Zealand is not participating in this 40 Days for Life campaign, Voice for Life encourages pro-life Christians to pray for the success of the upcoming international campaign, as well as considering what they personally can do to help New Zealand society become more supportive of parents, no matter what their circumstances. For more pro-life information, visit www.voiceforlife.org.

MASS TIMETABLE

Sunday Masses

Saturday	5.30 pm Vigil
Sunday	9.30 am & 5pm
Mon. Tues, and Fri.	6.00pm
Wednesday	9.15am
<i>(10.30am on 4th Wednesday of the month)</i>	
Saturday	9.00am
Public Holidays	9.00am
<i>(No Mass on Thursday)</i>	
Adoration	5 - 6pm Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri
Rosary	5.30pm Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30 - 10.00am & 5.00 - 5.20pm or by appointment

READINGS:

24th September

- Psalm 145 p.154
- 1. Isaiah 55:6-9
- 2. Phillipians 1:20-24,27
- Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

Next Week

- Psalm 25 p.43
- 1. Ezekiel 18:25-28
- 2. Phillipians 2:1-11
- Gospel Matthew 21:28-32



Welcome to St Joseph's

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25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
24th September 2017

Changes in our Liturgy of the Word at Mass

Last Sunday our Ministers of the Word gathered for formation. I introduced to them the practice of using a Book of the Gospels at Mass. This book is dedicated to the Gospel readings for Sundays and major feasts. It gives special honour to Jesus Christ whose words are contained in the Gospels.

This reverence includes carrying the Book of the Gospels in the Entrance Procession at Mass, and placing it on the altar where it rests until the Gospel is proclaimed.

It is carried to the lectern during the Alleluia, by which, as the Church says, "the assembly of the faithful welcomes and greets the Lord who is about to speak to it in the Gospel".

The Book of the Gospels was used in the past, and has now more recently been re-introduced into the liturgy. You may have seen it in other parishes, eg the cathedral. It is an excellent way of helping us appreciate the Lord's presence in the scriptures proclaimed.

I also introduced to the Ministers of the Word a new lectionary, that is, the book containing the other Mass readings. Our current lectionary has been in use since the 1970s, before we started to become conscious of words like "men" being inadequate for representing women as well. The new lectionary attends to these sorts of concerns, without sounding awkward. The scripture translation used in the new lectionary is the New Revised Standard Version, or NRSV.

The Ministers of the Word are keen for us to introduce both new books, and so we will start using them next Saturday and Sunday.

However we will continue to use our current lectionary on weekdays, since the NRSV weekday lectionary is out of print and unavailable.

God bless you all.

Fr Pat



Adoration

A reminder that here at St Joseph's we have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 5-6 p.m. **each week day except Thursday.**

One good way we can show our love for Jesus is to spend time with him in the Blessed Sacrament.

"Where your treasure is, there is your heart...." "Could you not watch one hour with me?" (Mt 6:21; 26:40)

NZ CATHOLIC

The 24th September - 7th October issue of NZ Catholic is out now. Some headlines: Captive priest free at last....Kiwi deacon ordained in Boston. Opinion...the evils of the weapons industry.....A modern saint who took politics seriously. Please support our Catholic newspaper. **\$4 per copy** - please hand to Fr Pat.

Mercy Spirituality Centre

104 The Drive, Epsom- Bookings essential.

- **MEDITATION Retreat Day** with CATHRYN WILES-PICKARD rsm. Sat 14 Oct. 9.30am-3.30pm. \$35.
- **WEEKEND WORKSHOPS Exploring Life's Transitions** with ANNE WARREN chf Sat & Sun 28 & 29 Oct, 10am-3.30pm. \$120.
- **REFORMATION SERIES 1. Marking the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation** with NICK THOMPSON Mon 30 Oct 7-9pm. \$15 (2nd evening in series 6 Nov). See website for more details. Ph. 638 6238 or info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz or www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz

Diocesan Rosary Procession Sunday 1 October

Come and join Bishop Pat for a candlelight rosary procession & procession of the Blessed Sacrament to pray for priestly vocations at **Sacred Heart College 250 West Tamaki Rd, Glen Innes 7pm Sunday 1 October.**

The Annual Mass for Pope Francis on his Patronal Feast Day will be celebrated by Bishop Patrick Dunn at the Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph on **Wednesday 4 October at 12.15 pm.** The Mass will be followed by light refreshments and a celebratory cake in Liston Hall. Sign the greeting card and offer prayers for the Holy Father. *Normal weekday Wilson car parking rates apply.*

Divine Mercy Devotion & Mass

on Friday 6th Oct 7:00pm St Mary's Church, 20 Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy Sung, Holy Mass, followed by veneration of St Faustina's relic.

A Warm Welcome is extended to all

Meetings for All Ministers of Holy Communion

We have begun the formation of our new Ministers of Communion. We will now hold formation sessions for **all current and new ministers.**

A Formation session for **all Ministers of Holy Communion** will be held on **Sunday 24 September at 3.30pm** in the church.

All ministers are requested to attend as some changes to our procedures will be introduced.

Choral Mass for Our Lady of the Rosary at the Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph Saturday 7 October at 6 pm.

In our Catholic tradition the month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The Choral Mass for Our Lady of the Rosary offers us a beautiful and prayerful start to this month. With the Cathedral Vocal Ensemble directed by James Tibbles. *Validated parking at the Wilson's Car parks will be available at Hobson Street (\$4) or Durham Lane (\$2). Please bring your ticket with you to validate in the Cathedral.*

Part Time Receptionist Pompallier Diocesan Centre – Fixed Term

We are looking for a confident, professional and proactive part time Receptionist to assist our main Receptionist to co-share reception duties at Pompallier Diocesan Centre. This role will require excellent customer service skills along with sound administrative skills and a positive friendly manner is essential. This is a part time 20 hours per week position from 10.00am to 2.30pm Monday to Friday, for a fixed term period of six months. The successful candidate will need strong interpersonal skills; be approachable; be self-motivated with the ability to demonstrate initiative and have sound computer skills. Please send cover letter, CV and application form to Leanne Killgour, HR Manager at leannek@cda.org.nz. To view the full advert and the position description and download an application form, please go to our website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz and look under staff vacancies.

Applications close Friday 6 October 2017.

FIT FOR MISSION

"Peace is built day by day. It is not an industrial product, it is an artisanal product. It is crafted every day with our work, with our life, with our closeness."
Pope Francis. 13 May 2015

**DIOCESAN YOUTH MASS
SUNDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER
ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL
7 p.m.**

**ADVENT RETREAT
St Francis Retreat Centre
Hillsborough, Auckland
3rd - 8th December 2017**
See notice board for full details....

St Mary's College, Ponsonby Past Pupils AGM

Sunday 8 October 2017

Mass 11.30am, in Old Chapel followed by luncheon. Everyone Welcome
Enquiries Barbara Drumm 8460777

Accommodation Required



A Tongan family who are very much involved in St Joseph's Parish, but who live quite some distance away, are keen to find accommodation closer to our parish. If anyone knows of any two-bedroom accommodation to rent within reasonable distance of St Joseph's, please contact Fr Pat, 521 0871 or patrickb@xtra.co.nz

JOIN US for a cuppa after the 9.30 a.m. Mass. Everyone welcome!



Mother Aubert's Anniversary of Death

When Suzanne Aubert died in 1926, her funeral was the largest ever witnessed for a New Zealand woman. Humble yet determined she had made an extraordinary impact on society, and thousands – from the upper echelons to the very poor - lined the streets of Wellington to pay their respects as her body was drawn through the city. For 66 years of her life she had brought hope and courage in our land of Aotearoa New Zealand to all especially to the needy. Today Mother Aubert continues to inspire us by her writings and example. Many of the social challenges and injustices Suzanne faced are still with us now. This anniversary prompts us therefore to ponder deeply our response to the social, health and educational needs of Māori, Pākehā and indeed all those who today call New Zealand home.

Suzanne Aubert founded the Sisters of Compassion in 1883 and still today the Sisters continue her pattern of service founded on faith, love and compassion. Please pray today for the Sisters and may our nation be blessed through further vocations to the Sisters of Our Lady of Compassion.