

Cathedral & Hill Suburbs Pastoral Area



ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL | ST FRANCIS XAVIER (Mornington)
ST MARY'S (Kaikorai) | ST JOSEPH'S (Brockville)

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24 September 2023 – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

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SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY:	St Mary's Vigil: 6:00pm
SUNDAY:	St Francis Xavier: 9:00am; St Joseph's Cathedral: 10:30am; (9:00am Latin Mass; Chapel)
	St Joseph's, Brockville remains closed to the public.

WEEKDAY MASS

ST MARY'S: Tue & Fri: 9:30am; ST FRANCIS XAVIER: Wed & Thurs: 9:30am

ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL: Mon & Sat: 9:30am (Chapel), Wed: 5:30pm (Cathedral)

CONFESSION

Cathedral: Sat 4:30-5:00pm

Kaikorai: Sat 5:00-5:25pm

EXPOSITION

Cathedral: Wed 6-6:45pm

Kaikorai: Sat 4:30-5:25pm

(both concluding with Benediction)

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

If your answer is "yes" or "maybe", then you're most welcome to come and see as we start sessions on what we believe in the Church regarding every aspect of our faith. These sessions are in preparation for Easter 2024, when those who have been preparing in these sessions decide if they're ready to receive the Sacraments of initiation. The next session will be held **Wednesday 4 October**, occurring fortnightly at **7pm** (1-hr) meeting in the Catholic Pastoral Centre (300 Rattray Street, Level 4). If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Fr Vaughan frvjpleslie@yahoo.com

MARRIAGE PREPARATION WEEKEND - 14-15 October 2023

There is a marriage preparation course coming up on the 14th-15th October at Tirohanga Camp (214 Tirohanga Road, North Taieri). The cost is \$250 per couple (includes all accommodation and food). Please register by October 1st. You can register on our website at www.cdd.nz

CATHEDRAL MASS MORNING TEA – 1st Sunday of Month

In the Pastoral Centre following Mass next week – everyone most welcome.

DIOCESAN STRATEGIC PLAN

We are seeking comments on our draft Diocesan Strategic Plan from our wider diocesan whānau and communities (school boards, parish councils or leadership teams, ethnic groups, etc). We are all an integral part of this diocese and want to continue in a synodal way. Please read over this draft plan and offer your comments on the form provided on the website. You can access the plan on the cdd.nz website <https://sites.google.com/cdd.nz/cddwebsite/about-us/strategic-plan>

DUNEDIN TRADITIONAL MASS CONGREGATION

Fr Nathan Pospischil FSSP will be visiting Dunedin from **Monday 25th September until Thursday 28th September**. Fr Pospischil will be offering Holy Masses at 6pm in the Cathedral Chapel (ex-Dominican Chapel) on Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th of September. He will also offer Holy Mass before he leaves on Thursday 28th September at 7.00am. At the evening Masses he will offer the chance of confession from 5.30pm. All very welcome. If you wish to know more about Fr Pospischil then please go to the following link: <https://www.fssp.nz/our-chaplain/>

FEAST DAYS, SOLEMNITIES & MEMORIALS

26 September – Sts Cosmas & Damian; 27 September – St Vincent de Paul

28 September – St Wenceslaus; St Lawrence Ruiz & Companions

29 September – STS MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS

30 September – St Jerome

CELEBRATION SUNDAY 1ST OCTOBER

FOR VENERABLE SUZANNE AUBERT-MERI HŌHEPA

Sunday 1 October will be marked by the Catholic Church as a national day of celebration for the Venerable Suzanne Aubert-Meri Hōhepa, who founded the Sisters of Compassion, who continue her work. The National Liturgy Office has prepared parish and other resources for this special day, which aims to promote and celebrate the spirituality and good works of Suzanne Aubert to as many people as possible. Go here: <https://nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/day-of-celebration-for-venerable-suzanne-aubert/>

The Sisters of Compassion have produced a booklet containing material for the Celebration Sunday, which is attached. The Home of Compassion website gives more information and is here: <https://compassion.org.nz/our-places/our-ladys-home-of-compassion/>

20:20 CATHOLIC QUESTIONS

20 minutes presentation, 20 minutes for questions

Why is **Grace** important in Religious Education? *What do we understand by grace, and how are we called to respond?* Presenter – Colin MacLeod

Thursday, 5 October 6.20pm in St Patrick's Basilica

(Repeated: Sunday, 8 October 10.30am – 10.50am in the Mercy Chapel)

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recent Deaths

Elizabeth Haggie & David Crichton

Anniversaries:

Raymond Ferguson & Fr Thomas Fahey

Requiescant in Pace

ST PHILOMENA'S COLLEGE Ex-Pupils' Association Meeting

A Special Meeting to discuss the future of St Philomena's College Ex-Pupils' Association is being held at the Mercy Room across the carpark from St Patrick's Basilica, on Sunday 15 October at approximately midday following the 11am Mass at the Basilica. A light lunch will be provided.

THE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Sacred Heart Home – Little Sisters of the Poor, 295 Brockville Road, Dunedin.

Every Tuesday 10:00am – 3:00pm. Morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and transport.

Fee: Donation. To register your interest: ph. 03 476 2028 or email: dt@lspddun.co.nz

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Little Sisters of the Poor in Brockville are looking for several volunteers to help at the reception. If you are interested in offering some of your time, please contact Mother Cecilia at ms@lspddun.co.nz or 03 476-2028. Thank you.

SEASON OF CREATION (1 Sept – 4 Oct)



Pope Francis invites us to join with Christians around the world in celebrating the ecumenical Season of Creation, beginning with the Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation (1 Sept) and ending on 4 October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. The theme is *Let Justice and Peace Flow*.

The [Season of Creation Celebration Guide](#) contains lots of ideas for celebrating the Season of Creation in our parishes including hosting an ecumenical prayer service (pg 22 Guide) There is also a Season of Creation [prayer](#).

ANNIVERSARIES – Newsletter & Prayers of the Faithful

If you would like death anniversaries of family and friends remembered in the Mass and included in our new prayers, please contact the parish office. If you would like a Mass offered for that intention please place this in an envelope with the person's name and an offering in the Sunday Collection basket. The NZ Bishops suggest a suitable offer to the priest is \$10 per Mass offered for a private intention.

DOMINICAN EX-PUPILS XMAS LUNCH

At Luna on Highgate, Saturday 11th November 12:30pm

RSVP to Diane by October 25th ph. 027 258 1941

PLANNED GIVING For giving by automatic payment our Parish accounts are listed below. Please insert your name and “PG” as the reference and advise the parish office name and address details for your tax receipt.

Mornington Parish: 06 0901 0054866 07
Kaikorai Parish: 06 0901 0054903 02
Brockville Parish: 06 0901 0054938 27
St Joseph’s Cathedral: 06 0901 0054874 01

NZ CATHOLIC Sept. 24 - Oct. 7 issue for sale in the church foyer. Price \$4.

Some headlines for this issue: Joy as Sr Marie Ange of Jesus makes final Carmelite profession. Bishops urge politicians to focus on issues not trivia ahead of election. Care and consolation at Mass for Loss of a Child. Church’s penal law provides protection for people.

BILLINGS LIFE TRAINING SESSION

Billings Life is holding a Natural Fertility Management training session in Nelson on **Friday 29 and Saturday 30 September** for health professionals, those wishing to become accredited teachers of the Billings Ovulation Method and users of the Billings Method.

The Billings Method teaches accurate, evidence-based, scientific self-knowledge about human fertility. It does not depend on regular cycles, thermometers, kits, drugs or devices. It empowers couples to take control of their fertility to avoid or achieve pregnancy or to monitor reproductive health. To register or for further details: Phone 0800 693 378

Email: info@billingslife.org.nz; www.billingslife.org.nz

Billings Life has the support of the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference

TE KUPENGA – CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE BACHELOR OF DIVINITY 2024 COURSE

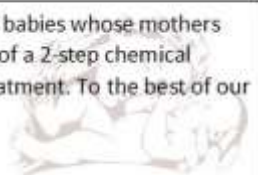
Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College will start accepting enrolments on September 25 for the 2024 First Semester Bachelor of Divinity and Graduate Diploma in Theology courses. With a dedicated and qualified faculty of theologians, and access to a wealth of resources, CTC has a programme that will empower you to critically analyse complex theological issues, foster spiritual growth, and prepare you for a meaningful career in ministry, education, or other fields where a profound understanding of theology is invaluable.

Register now at www.tekupenga.ac.nz/apply

PROLIFE FACTS

In the United States, over 4,500 babies whose mothers have taken the first medication of a 2-step chemical abortion procedure have been rescued through a reversal protocol treatment. To the best of our knowledge, the reversal protocol is not offered in New Zealand.

For more pro-life information, contact www.voiceforife.org.nz.



First Reconciliation Congratulations

This week the children of St Francis Xavier and St Joseph’s Cathedral Sacramental programmes received the Sacrament of God’s mercy – well done ☺ Thank you to our schools and families for their work of preparation.

PARISH MINISTRIES (for next week)

<i>26th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	ST MARY'S 30 September 2023	ST FRANCIS XAVIER 1 October 2023	ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL 1 October 2023
Ministers of Communion		Daphne Hannagan	G & B Magnuson
Readers: 1st and Psalm	}	Chris Sullivan	Pupualii Family
2nd and Gospel Acclam.	} Tongan Community Mass	Julia Sullivan	Pupualii Family
Introduction & Prayers of the Faithful	}	Diane Kennedy	
Altar Servers	Matthew Rietveld Nikau Walker		R & R Richard, L Gianone
Collections	}	Ioane & Leva'ai Sefo	Caragay Family
Gifts	}		Richard Family
Children's Liturgy			Jane White, Julie Dawkins
Overhead Projector	Adrian Kubala	Matilda Garnett	John Henderson
Counter/s	Lawrence Finnerty	Chris & Julia Sullivan	Caragay Family
Church Cleaning	Colleen Howard Mavis Oskam	Ioane & Leva'ai Sefo	Maria Lane (October)
Morning Tea		Diane Kennedy Gerald O'Connell	
Greeters	Emila Makasini	Denise Dore, Jego Jacobs	Fernanda Filguieras
Parish Needs Co-ordinator		Susan More 476 2521	