

# 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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**1 October 2023 – 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A**

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## SUNDAY MASS

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

## 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 5:10-5:25pm

### EXPOSITION

Cathedral: Wed 6-6:40pm

Kaikorai: Sat 4:30-5:25pm

(both concluding with Benediction)

## NZ BISHOPS' 2023 ELECTION STATEMENT

The NZ Catholic Bishops have published their 2023 Election Statement, which urges the politicians elected on 14 October to focus on issues that matter to the people of the nation rather than the trivia and scandals that dominate public debate. The NZCBC election statement can be read on their website: [www.catholic.org.nz/](http://www.catholic.org.nz/). These will also go out with newsletter is week and be available in church foyers.

## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

These sessions are in preparation for Easter 2024, when those who have been preparing 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](mailto:frvjpleslie@yahoo.com)

# CHURCH LIFE SURVEY

Bishop Michael is encouraging all parishioners to participate in the Church Life Survey, a nationwide survey of church attenders. This is a confidential opportunity for you to have your say on the life of our church and be heard by our leaders. Please take 10-15 minutes to fill out the survey between 9<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> October.

The survey can be accessed 3 ways:

- Via QR code on your smartphone. QR codes will be posted in the church foyers next Sunday
- On your computer via the link next week's newsletter, or
- Via paper copies available from the church foyers or from the Parish Office during office hours. Please return completed forms to the Office or place them in the donation collection baskets during Mass.



## CELEBRATION SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> 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/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/>

## CATHEDRAL MASS MORNING TEA – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Month

In the Pastoral Centre following Mass this 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](http://cdd.nz) website <https://sites.google.com/cdd.nz/cddwebsite/about-us/strategic-plan>

### FEAST DAYS, SOLEMNITIES & MEMORIALS

2 October – The Holy Guardian Angels; 4 October – St Francis of Assisi

5 October – St Faustina Kowalska; 6 October – St Bruno

7 October – Our Lady of the Rosary

## DOMINICAN EX-PUPILS XMAS LUNCH

At Luna on Highgate, Saturday 11th November 12:30pm RSVP to Diane by October 25<sup>th</sup> ph. 027 258 1941

## PLEASE REMEMBER THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

### Recent Deaths

Margaret McNaughton and Anneke Tijssen

### Anniversaries:

Kieran Hurring, Rose McKeich, Susanne Hannagan, Patricia Woodhouse,  
Isabel Fitzgibbons, Fr Cyril Cartright & Fr Raymond Dobbs CSSR

Requiescant in Pace

## 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](http://www.cdd.nz)

## INTERNATIONAL ROSARY

The Monthly International Rosary will be celebrated at **St. Peter Chanel Church in Green Island on Tuesday, 3rd October, at 7.00pm**. As usual we aim to pray this Rosary in 10 different languages as each decade is divided into two and we all reply in English. It is becoming more and more difficult to get many languages together so if you are able to pray five Hail Mary's in a language of your own choice please do come and make yourself available. You will be most appreciated. Thank you. Love to see you there.

If Fr. Michael is available we will finish with Benediction.

## 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)

## 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](mailto:dt@lspddun.co.nz)

**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.

## **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](http://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/apply).

### **PROLIFE FACTS**

South Korea has the lowest birth rate in the world, closely followed by Japan. This raises fears that in future there will not be enough young people to support the majority of elderly citizens. However, one small town in Japan and a county in South Korea are reversing the trend with initiatives that support families and child-rearing both financially and in practical ways. *For more pro-life information, contact [www.voiceforife.org.nz](http://www.voiceforife.org.nz).*

## **FAMILY LIFE CATHOLIC GIFTS**

We are in the month of October, the month of the Holy Rosary and here at Family Life Catholic Gifts, we would like to celebrate this wonderful and necessary devotion, with a great sale - 20% OFF ALL ROSARIES. Our Rosaries are brought in from various countries including Italy, Portugal, Brazil and the United Kingdom.

The sale will run from 1<sup>st</sup> October to 14<sup>th</sup> October, which encompasses two Marian feast days of the Holy Rosary, October 7<sup>th</sup> and the 106<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima on October 13th. Visit us at our shop online at [catholicgifts.co.nz](http://catholicgifts.co.nz). Proceeds from shop sales support the very important work of Family Life International in promoting Life, Faith and Family.

## PARISH MINISTRIES (for next week)

<i>27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<b>ST MARY'S 7 October 2023</b>	<b>ST FRANCIS XAVIER 8 October 2023</b>	<b>ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL 8 October 2023</b>
<b>Ministers of Communion</b>		Chris Sullivan	N & R Alahakoon
<b>Readers: 1<sup>st</sup> and Psalm</b>	Liz Dempster	Susan More	Joshua Chen
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> and Gospel Acclam.</b>	Liz Dempster	David More	Jane White
<b>Introduction &amp; Prayers of the Faithful</b>	Chloe Barton	Sean Brosnahan	
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Gabriel Kubala, Sinead Dillon		Eti Vaeau, John Pupualii
<b>Collections</b>	L Finnerty, P Campbell	Brian MacManus	Park Family
<b>Gifts</b>	Alyssa & Casey Kubala	Sue Kennedy	Tuitea Family
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>			
<b>Overhead Projector</b>	Barbara McCaig	Gerald O'Connell	Magnuson Family
<b>Counter/s</b>	Lawrence Finnerty	Mary Rogan	J & H Henderson, M Henderson
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Colleen Howard Mavis Oskam	Sue & Simon Kennedy	Maria Lane (October)
<b>Morning Tea</b>		Ann & Lance Chisholm	
<b>Greeters</b>	Adrian Kubala	Ioane & Leva'ai Sefo	R & M Clark
<b>Parish Needs Co-ordinator</b>		<b>Susan More 476 2521</b>	