

Cathedral & Hill Suburbs Pastoral Area



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

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22 March 2026 – 5th Sunday of Lent – 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

EXPOSITION

Cathedral: Wed 6-6:40pm
(concluding with Benediction)

THANK YOU

As Easter approaches (the closing of the Diocesan Consultation) I want to thank you all for the overwhelming support and encouragement I have received as the Parish Priest of our three Parishes. It is not always easy to deal with change and questions around sustainability, which can elicit something of a grief experience for some. Let us pray for those who may be struggling with this process and let our faith in Christ and his bride the Church be our consolation and unity, the reason for our hope and cause of our eternal joy; not a pious thought but a true reality.

Blessings,

Fr Vaughan Leslie PP

DIOCESAN WIDE CONSULTATION 2026

Over the months before Easter, Bishop Michael is consulting across the Diocese regarding present Pastoral Areas becoming singular Parishes. This consultation is for individuals and groups, focusing on the synodal question: **“What sort of parish are we called to be”**

More info at www.stjosephscathedraldunedin.com

HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

Wednesday	11:00am - Cathedral Mass of the Oils <i>(Replaces Mornington 9:30am & Cathedral 5:30pm)</i>
Holy Thursday	7:00pm - Cathedral, 9:00pm Night Prayer <i>(Replaces Mornington 9:30am)</i>
Good Friday	3:00pm - Cathedral
Holy Saturday	7:00pm - Easter Vigil - Cathedral <i>(Replaces Kaikorai Vigil)</i>
Easter Sunday	9:00am - Mornington 10:30am - Cathedral

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Fridays of Lent, Cathedral, 5:30pm

FEAST DAYS, SOLEMNITIES & MEMORIALS

23 March – St Turibius de Mogrovejo

25 March – THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Rite II Reconciliation:**

Holy Name - Monday 23 Mar, 7pm

St Francis Xavier - Tuesday 24 Mar, 6:00pm (with first confession)

Mercy Parish - Tue 24 Mar, 7pm

Cathedral - Thursday 26 Mar, 6:00pm (with first confession, including St Mary's)

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

This year's course sessions teaching the Faith have now begun. NEXT SESSION Wed 25th Mar at 7pm at the Cathedral Office, Level 4 of the Pastoral Centre

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries:

Kathryn Lucas, Frank Rogan and Fr Dan Cummings

Requiescant in Pace

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

These are now underway for children to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation & First Holy Communion, with classes taking place in our respective schools: St Joseph's Cathedral School, St Francis Xavier School & St Mary's School. First Confession occurring 24 & 26 March, Confirmation & First Holy Communion 27/28 June.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES for the financial year beginning 1 April 2026 are available for collection from the church foyers. If you would like to join the planned giving envelope system, please contact the Parish Office during office hours to request a set.

GOOD FRIDAY ECUMENICAL CROSS WALK

9:30am Start at St Francis Xavier Catholic Church, walking to Mornington Presbyterian Church (6 Maryhill Terrace), then to St Mary's Anglican Church (3 Whitby Street), finishing at Mornington Methodist Church (1 Galloway Street).
Cupper and buns to follow - Everyone most welcome.



CARITAS AND LENT- 'Hear the Voice, Answer the Call'

Support of the **Bishops' Lenten Appeal** enables Caritas to help poor and marginalised communities around the world. Donations can be made directly via direct debit or credit card through the Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand <https://www.caritas.org.nz/ways-to-give> or to the Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand bank account: 03-0518-0211216-003. Please use "Lent" as the Code and your first and last name as particulars. Freepost envelopes are available in the foyer of the Church throughout Lent, if you prefer to give in that way. Donations received by Caritas by 31 March will be sent a receipt for the 2025/26 tax year. Any donations received in the Caritas office after April 1st will be sent a receipt for the 2026/27 tax year.

For more information, email: caritas@caritas.org.nz or call 0800 22 10 22.

PLANNED GIVING Donations for the support of Priests and the Parish may be given by Automatic Payment or Planned Giving Envelopes. If you would like to join the Planned Giving Programme, **please contact the Parish Office** for more information. Tax receipts are issued at the end of the financial year, of which one third can be claimed from the Inland Revenue.

CURRENT OF GRACE CHARISMATIC MASS

We welcome you to join us in worship and prayer, celebrating our monthly Charismatic Mass with **Fr Michael Hishon. Thursday Evening – 26th March 2026 at 7.30 pm**

St Peter Chanel Church, 242 Main South Road, Green Island.

A food basket will be offered for the St Vincent de Paul. If you would like to find out more, please call either: Kathy Mayo 473 7115 or Greg Wansink 027 432 8838

TITIPOUNAMU STUDY & JOY

Our Kaupapa is Dialogue - the NZ Catholic Bishops' Committee for Interfaith Relations met in Wellington. Read more about it here: <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2026/03/16/nzcbcir-meeting-2026/>

CARING FOR CREATION - CLIMATE CHANGE & OUR HEALTH

Implications for a "Just Transition" – Professor Alex Macmillan

"Climate Change is the greatest threat to public health with deeply unjust health effects already unfolding in Aotearoa. However, well-designed, timely action can result in tangible win-wins for both health and fairness". Hear Alex summarize Aotearoa climate health research, discuss lessons for achieving change, and what a "just transition" means. **Monday 30 March, 12.00 noon, DCC Library 4th Floor – Free refreshments afterwards. Nau mai ki te katoa! Everyone welcome!** www.seniorsclimateactionnetwork.org.

Parish Directory

- **Passionist Family Group:** Meeting once a month. Contact: Deborah Kelly debkelly@kinct.co.nz
- **Xavier Notes Music, Mornington:** Contact: Parish office will forward enquiry
- **St Joseph's Cathedral Choir and Choristers:** Contact: David Burchell d.c.burchell@outlook.com or ph. 021 135 2535
- **St Vincent de Paul Society:** 03 477 0555; www.stvincentdepauldunedin.nz/
- **Rosary:** St Mary's Kaikorai following Tue & Fri Mass; Cathedral Wed 6:10pm
- **Tongan Community:** Mass 1st Sunday of the month, St Mary's Kaikorai
Contact: Hulita Makasini, ph. 021 162 1610
- **Filipino Community:** Mass 3rd Sunday of the month, St Mary's Kaikorai
- **Cathedral Sunday Coffee:** Meeting after Mass at Mitre 10. Contact: Raymond & Monica clarkraymond07@gmail.com
- **Friendship Club** Little Sisters of the Poor, for the elderly and homebound, Tuesdays 10-3pm. Contact: 03 476 2028 or email: dt@lspdun.co.nz to attend – free transport.
- **Catholic Young Adults Prayer Group:** Fridays 6pm during University term time at Holy Name. Email: dunedin.catholic@gmail.com; [Facebook group](#)
Instagram: @dunedin.catholic.

All Parish Groups are welcome to be included in this directory by contacting the parish office: stjosephcathdn@gmail.com or hillsburbspa@gmail.com

PARISH ROSTERS

29 March 2026, Palm Sunday

ST MARY'S Saturday, 6:00pm	ST FRANCIS XAVIER Sunday, 9:00am	ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL Sunday, 10:30am
<p>Greeter: St Mary's School Reader: St Mary's School Welcome/Prayers: St Mary's School Collection: St Mary's School Gifts: St Mary's School Altars Servers: Overhead: St Mary's School Counters: L Finnerty Cleaning: Taungapeau Family</p>	<p>Greeters: J Jacob, R Su'a Welcome/Prayers: R O'Connell Readers: C & J Sullivan Collection/Gifts: N Mulhall, S Kennedy Extraordinary Minister: G O'Connell Altars Servers: Overhead: M Garnett Morning Tea: I & L Sefo Counters: M Jarka Cleaning: Noquilla Family</p>	<p>Greeters: R & M Clark Readers: Pupualii Family Collection: Caragay Family Gifts: Tuitea Family Extraordinary Ministers: J Stanley, D Doody Altars Servers: J A Jineesh, J Burke, H Burke Overhead: Burke Family Counters: D & T Doody Cleaning: J Chung</p>

Rosters for all Parishes are available on the Cathedral website here:

<https://www.stjosephscathedraldunedin.com/rosters.html>. Copies are also posted at the churches.