



## Exultation of the Cross, 14 September 2025

**SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK:** Pohewatia te Rangimarie mot e Katoa. Puritia te Rangimarie! Imagine peace for all. Let's build peace together !  
This is a time to focus on the actions we can all take in our communities and world to build peace in tangible ways.

**The Jubilee Prayer:** Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your Son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise forever. Amen.

Catholic social teaching promotes peace as an essential component of social justice. It calls for the transformation of social structures and systems that perpetuate violence, inequality, and injustice, and for the promotion of a culture of peace, human dignity and justice.

There are some Reflection booklets available in the STM Church foyer, please help yourself.

**JUBILEE OF JUSTICE WEBINAR** — **Fri, 19 Sept** Caritas Aotearoa NZ is hosting a 30-minute webinar to celebrate the Jubilee of Justice. This will include an update on the progress of the global "Turn Debt Into Hope" campaign focusing on debt justice, and expert advice on how to advocate for justice in your local community. The webinar will feature guests from NZ and Australia with specialist expertise. **Mark your diaries for 12.30pm on Fri, 19 Sept.** Find out more and learn how you can get involved at

[www.caritas.org.nz/season-of-creation-2025](http://www.caritas.org.nz/season-of-creation-2025)

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SEPTEMBER FOOD DRIVE:** We invite you to support the St Vincent de Paul Food Drive—every tin or packet donated helps a family in need. Paper bags are available otherwise please place your gifts in the baskets at the back of the church.

**"SPRINGTIME JESUS RETREAT"** on **Wed, 17 Sept** 9am-12 noon at STM parish centre. Please bring a Journal, two pens, your Bible, and a small koha. To Register or show interest, please contact Gabi Daly  
[enneagramgabi@gmail.com](mailto:enneagramgabi@gmail.com)

**GREAT NEWS:** We are very fortunate to have Cardinal John Dew coming to speak to us at St Thomas More Church. He will be speaking about his experience of the Conclave in Rome where he was one of the Cardinals who voted for a new Pope. You may have seen the movie, or read the book, Conclave. Now you have the opportunity to meet a **real** Cardinal, who went to a **real** Conclave, and voted to elect a **real** Pope. STM Church, **Sun, 5 Oct at 3pm**. A Koha/donation would be appreciated. All welcome.

**HELP WANTED:** If anyone would be available to kindly assist with serving refreshments after the Cardinal's talk, please contact the office. Thank you.

**FAMILY WEEKEND** registration is now open, **10-12 Oct** in Rotorua.  
[Link here](#) Or see [cdh.org.nz/events](http://cdh.org.nz/events) Our annual family camp weekend is set to kick off **Fri, 10 Oct** early evening. Accommodation is being offered at Rotorua Thermal Holiday Park with most of our sessions being held onsite at St Marys, Seddon Street, Rotorua. Price includes - planned activities; lunch, dinner, morning and afternoon tea on Saturday, morning tea and lunch on Sunday; Mothers wine and cheese night and Dads breakfast.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:** Our next meeting will be held on **Thurs, 18 Sept at 10.00am**. Fr Sojan will be our guest speaker. *All parishioners most welcome.*

**A SPANISH MASS:** Will be held at Suzanne Aubert Catholic School on **Sat, 20 Sept at 1pm**.

**PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP:** St Patricks Family Group meeting **Fri, 19 Sept** 12 noon Pacific Coast Village Restaurant. Any queries ring Merrilyn 575 4148.

**DIOCESAN NEWS:** [Clearly: from the Hamilton Diocese - August 2025](#)

**DIVINE WILL PRAYER GROUP:** Meet every **Thurs** after the 9am Mass in the STM Parish Centre. All welcome.



**ALPHA** begins here on **Wed, 8 Oct at 6.30pm**. At Alpha we create a space to ask questions, discuss and discover faith. You gain perspective and learn, have fun and eat food!

**COME & SEE:** If you would love to experience Alpha for the first time as a guest then pick up a form for you and a friend from the church foyer or contact Heidi at [pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz](mailto:pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz)

## **Have you invited someone to Alpha yet? Who will you invite?**

**ALPHA HELPERS STILL NEEDED:** If you would like to help with hospitality for a season of Alpha, we would love to have you join the team. We need people to help in the kitchen for serving/cleaning up afterwards by way of a roster. We also need a few more people to help prepare simple meals from week to week (rostered) for our guests attending. If you would like to be involved in cooking a meal or part thereof please contact Heidi 5754807 Ext 6 or email: [pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz](mailto:pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz)

**MENS PRAYER GROUP:** Meet every **Tuesday at 6am** at STM Church. All welcome. For more details, ph Colin 021 815 536.

### **STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES THROUGH CATHOLIC VALUES:**

Each year, the Common Good Foundation provides targeted funding to support Catholic parishes and community organisations across the Diocese of Hamilton. These grants enable impactful work in areas such as youth ministry, food security, and pastoral support. Applications for the 2025 funding round are open from 1–30 Sept. Visit [commongood.org.nz/grants](http://commongood.org.nz/grants) for eligibility guidelines and application instructions.

**ACCOMMODATION WANTED:** I am a Catholic GP looking for a one-bedroom flat, studio apartment or similar to rent in Mount Maunganui. If you know of anything available, I'd be very grateful to hear from you. Please contact Brendon Fraser-Jones on [brendon2@hotmail.com](mailto:brendon2@hotmail.com)

**HOPE & RENEWAL SUMMIT:** Embracing Mission – Inspiring Hope – Transforming Culture on **3-4 Oct 2025** in Palmerston North. Jesus, are you calling me to the Summit? [www.hoperenewalsummit.com](http://www.hoperenewalsummit.com)

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**ROSARY** is held at 9am on **Mondays** (no 9am Mass) & **Tuesday to Saturday** after the 9am Mass at STM Church.

**PUBLIC ROSARY** every **Wednesday** at 6pm, outside STM Church. For more information please see <https://public-rosary.org/><https://t.me/NZPrays>

**ADORATION & BENEDICTION** is held on **Wednesday** at STM Church after the 9am Mass.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Wednesday & Saturday 9.30am (after the 9am Mass).

**READINGS 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, 21 Sept 2025** 1. Amos 8:4-7 2. 1 Timothy 2:1-8 **Gospel:** Luke 16:1-13

**MASSES FOR THIS COMING WEEK: Tues, 16 Sept to Sun, 21 Sept 2025**

STM Church

9am Tues	Hap & Christine O'Hara RIP
9am Wed	Mr & Mrs Mick Tunnicliffe RIP
9am Thurs	Mr & Mrs Eric Drew RIP
9am Fri	Mr & Mrs Don Crabb RIP
9am Sat	Tien's special intentions

10am & 5pm Sun

St Patrick's Te Puke

5pm Sat Vigil

Suzanne Aubert School

8.30am Sun

11.30am Maketu (2<sup>nd</sup>

Sun of month) & Liturgy (every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun of month at 11.30am)

*If you wish to have a Mass offered, contact the parish office & if you have a particular date that you would like the Mass offered, please "book" the Mass well in advance.*