

6th Sunday of Easter, 25 May 2025

Dear Parishioners and Friends.

Jubilee Celebration on Pentecost Sunday

On Pentecost **Sunday, 8 June**, the Diocese will celebrate a special Jubilee Mass at St Mary's, 40 Seddon Street, Rotorua at **10.00am**. Everyone is warmly invited to join this joyful occasion. Refreshments will be provided after the Mass, and you are encouraged to wear your traditional or cultural dress to celebrate the diversity of our Diocese.

Also on Pentecost Sunday, our Parish will begin a new programme for children aged 9 years and over who wish to become Catholic. Please keep these children, their families, and the parishioners who will be teaching them in your prayers.

Feast of Corpus Christi

On **Sunday, 22 June**, we will mark the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) with a Eucharistic procession around the block, following the 10.00 am Mass. As with last year, this will be a beautiful public witness of our faith, and all are welcome to take part.

Kind regards, Fr. Eamon Kennedy

SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP will be held at STM parish centre **this coming Fri, 30 May at 5.30pm**, especially for those who have not previously attended, those who are wanting a refresher or anyone who is interested. *Please register your attendance with the parish office*.

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION FOR CHILDREN: This programme is for families who are interested in their children becoming members of the Catholic Church. It is designed for children over the age of 9 who have not been baptised as Catholics. Lessons will begin in June and will run through until after Easter 2026. If you are interested in learning more about this programme, please contact Heidi at: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz

NEW VOCATIONS WESITE: Please view the new Hamilton Diocese webpage

for vocations here: https://www.cdh.org.nz/vocations
Seminary Appeal — Catholic Diocese of Hamilton

INVITATION TO THE CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM: 19 July 2025 - 1pm at STM parish centre. You are warmly invited to attend the Christian Life Program (CLP) on Sat, 19 July. The CLP is a spiritual journey designed to deepen your faith, renew your relationship with God, and strengthen your life in the Christian community. It's a wonderful opportunity to grow in fellowship and discover more about living out your faith in daily life. We encourage everyone—individuals, couples, and families—to come and experience this enriching program. For more details, please see Parish noticeboard.

LOOKING FOR PARISHIONERS TO HELP TEACH: The Parish is starting a programme for children over 9 years old who are not yet baptised. We are looking for a team of parishioners who can take turns teaching these children. If you are able to help, please contact Heidi at: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz

BLANKET DRIVE: Many people are in need of blankets for the winter months. Blankets will go to St Vincent de Paul support centre for giving out to those in need. Please leave them in the box in the foyer. Thanks for your support.

DIVINE WILL meeting will be held on **Thurs**, after the 9am Mass, in the STM parish lounge (John Fisher room). Everyone welcome to learn more about living in the Divine Will.

VACANCY – DIRECTOR, CATHOLIC ENQUIRY CENTRE: For over 60 years, the Catholic Enquiry Centre has helped thousands of people explore the Catholic faith and, in many cases, become Catholic. An agency of the Bishops Conference, the Centre is the first point of contact for enquirers seeking information about the Catholic Church in Aotearoa NZ, and supports Church communities in their mission of evangelisation. The Centre is seeking a new Director to lead a small team in continuing this important work. A personal commitment to the Catholic Church along with a proven history of sharing the faith and of leading a team will be necessary. Please send expressions of interest to secretariat@nzcbc.org.nz by 6 June. The role could be filled sooner for the right candidate, so please contact the Bishops Conference promptly.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP: Edge Family Group are having a potluck lunch at 40 Parewaitai Court Papamoa on Sat, 31 May - 12.15pm.

<u>Thanksgiving Mass for Pope Leo XIV</u> See link – Homily from the Mass of Thanksgiving at the Cathedral, Hamilton.

PARISH MINISTRY IN AOTEAROA NZ: Wed, 20 Aug 2025 5-6pm via Zoom Speaker: Emily Sit (Director of Mission & Evangelisation – Palmerston North Diocese); Raising a Catholic Family in the Third Millennium, Wed, 8 Oct 2025 Speakers: Cameron and Cheryl Surrey (Catholic Parents – Cheryl is the Regional Lead for Divine Renovation NZ); Reflections on Jubilee 2025 – Pilgrims of Hope, Wed, 26 Nov 2025 Speaker: Fadi Yalda (CC Biblical Studies Lecturer)

TURN DEBT INTO HOPE WEBINAR: Caritas Aotearoa NZ is hosting a 30-minute webinar to invite people to take part in its "Turn Debt Into Hope" campaign. The global campaign for debt justice was launched by Pope Francis for the Jubilee Year, and Caritas has big plans to honour this legacy in Aotearoa. The webinar will feature guests from the Pacific explaining the impacts of climate debt, Caritas explaining what Kiwis can do about it and a chance for Q&A. Mark your diaries for 12 noon on **Wed, 4 June**. Find out more and learn how you can get involved at www.caritas.org.nz/turndebtintohope

DOVE FELLOWSHIP on **Mon, 2 June, 7pm** at St Peter Chanel Church, Hamilton for all Doves old and new. <u>Download full flyer here</u>

SAINT TERESA'S SCHOOL BLUFF is to celebrate 125 years Jubilee. **Sat 25 & Sun 26 Oct 2025**. We would love to see you and do let your friends / relations know. Enquiries to Sonz125@hotmail.com

ST JOSEPH'S HAWERA 150 Years: will be celebrating 150 years over Labour Weekend, 24–26 Oct 2025. All past and present members of the parish and school community are invited to participate in the Jubilee celebrations. Registration Forms & Event Calendar are available at www.stjoeshawera150celebration.co.nz. For further details email: stjosephshawerajubilee@gmail.com.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION is held at STM Church on a **Tuesday at 6.30pm** (*earlier time during winter*) at the STM Church. For more info ph 027 576 5235. And also on **1**st **Friday** of month at 10am in a private home. Contact ph 021 157 3973 for details. WCCM | The World Community for Christian Meditation

GIVING BACK PROGRAM: If you require a meal, or know someone who needs a meal or two, please help yourself to a frozen meal. These are available to those in need. The freezer is located in the small foyer past the sacristry. If you know of anyone that needs a meal due to ill health or new baby please take some from the freezer.

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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://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 for Ascension of the Lord, 1 June 2025

1. Acts 1:1-11 **2.** Ephesians 1:17-23 **Gospel:** Luke 24:46-53

MASSES FOR THIS COMING WEEK: Tues, 27 May to Sun, 1 June 2025

STM Church

9am Tues Intentions of Te Ngaio Road rosary group

9am Wed Molly & Fred Hain RIP

9am Thurs 9am Fri 9am Sat

10am & 5pm Sun St Patrick's Te Puke

5pm Sat Vigil

Suzanne Aubert School

8.30am Sun

11.30am Maketu (2nd

Sun of month) & Liturgy (every 3^{rd} 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.