



Easter Sunday, 5th April 2026

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Happy Easter — Jesus has risen!

A big thank you to everyone who was involved in the Easter ceremonies; your contribution is very much appreciated. I wish you all a blessed and peaceful Easter.

Please keep in your prayers those who became Catholic throughout the diocese at the Easter Vigil, especially those in our own parish: Martial Ligen, Suzanne Young, Greg Butler, Nikki Turner, Maureen Ferris, and Reshmy Thomas. We also pray for those who are continuing this journey and for those who are hoping to begin it.

Easter water is available at St Thomas More for you to take home and bless your homes.

PARISH OFFICE

Shelley Vincent has been employed to manage the parish finances for the meantime, until we appoint a new secretary. She can be contacted via the parish email address.

The parish office is currently closed while I find someone to manage it until we employ a new secretary. In the meantime, you can contact the office by email, phone, or by leaving a written note. I apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Kind regards,
Fr Eamon Kennedy

EASTER TIMETABLE

St Thomas More - Mt Maunganui

Holy Thursday 2nd April 7.00 pm
Good Friday 3rd April 3.00 pm
Easter Vigil 4th April 7.00 pm
Easter Sunday 5th April 10.00 am
& 5.00 pm

St Patrick's - Te Puke

Holy Thursday (Last Supper) 2nd April
7.00 pm
Good Friday 3rd April 3.00 pm
Easter Vigil 4th April 7.00 pm
Suzanne Catholic School
Easter Sunday 5th April 8.30 am

There will be no Children's Liturgy during the Easter holidays.

PARISH SECRETARY POSITION AVAILABLE

All Saints by the Sea, Mount Maunganui, is seeking a welcoming and well-organised Parish Secretary to support the Parish Priests and assist with the smooth running of the parish office. This part-time role (20 hours per week, Tuesday to Friday) involves responsibilities in administration, finance, communications, and serving as a key point of contact for parishioners. For further details and a full job description, please contact: Fr Eamon Kennedy – freamonkennedy@gmail.com
Applications close, **26 April 2026.**

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

We are currently seeking donations of frozen meals for members of our parish community who may be going through a difficult time. If you are able to prepare an extra meal, it would be greatly appreciated. The freezer is through the Church side door behind the Sacristy. Thank you for your kindness and support.

Saint Vincent de Paul Society sincerely thanks our parish community for your generous food donations. Through your kindness and spirit of charity, families in our community are receiving practical support and the reassurance that they are not alone. Your generosity is a beautiful reflection of the Gospel call to care for one another. Thank you for living the spirit of Lent through your generosity.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES:

These have been ordered and will be placed in the foyer when they arrive.

RCIA – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Have you or someone you know asked about 'Becoming a Catholic'?

Do any of these describe you?

. Are you interested in learning more about Christianity and the Catholic Church?

. Are you a baptised catholic who has not yet received First Holy Communion or Confirmation?

. Are you married to a catholic and attend Mass, but just do not know what the next step may be in becoming Catholic?

. Would you like to better support your children at a Catholic school?

Four weeks of inquiry begin weekly from **Thursday, 9th April at 7:00pm** in the St Thomas More church centre, 17 Gloucester Rd, Mount Maunganui.

Come and join us. Please express your interest by contacting Heidi Nield (Faith Formation Coordinator) 5754807 Ext 6 or Email: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz

ALL MEN ARE INVITED JOSHUA 40-YEAR CELEBRATION WEEKEND!

When: Fri pm 14 August to Sun midday 16 August

Venue: Keswick Christian Camp, 5 Cooper Ave, Holden's Bay, Rotorua

Keynote Speaker: Robert Falzon, Leader of Australia's menALIVE and Author of "Importance of a Present Dad"

Cost: \$247pp including accommodation and meals

To Register: Follow the link below OR Scan the QR Code OR contact Mike Lobo (021) 2809285 or Greg Sullivan (021) 437747

Link: <https://menforchrist.wufoo.com/forms/joshua-40th-anniversary-celebration-rotorua>

VACANCY - CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER: The Diocese of Christchurch is seeking an experienced and forward thinking Chief Finance Officer (CFO) to lead a passionate and committed team and contribute meaningfully to the strategic direction of the Catholic Diocese of Christchurch. We invite applications from leaders who share the Diocese's sense of purpose, who value meaningful work, and who are energised by contributing to a mission driven organisation. For more information, or to apply, email applications@cdoc.nz

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Is held every **Tuesday at 6am** in the Parish Lounge. All men are welcome.

AA: Do you, or someone you love, have a problem with alcohol?

Alcoholics Anonymous meet STM Parish Lounge every **Sunday 6.30–7.30pm**. All welcome.

formed.org: A premier, online platform filled with over 4,000 Catholic studies, movies, cartoons, audio dramas, eBooks and talks – and it is FREE for every parishioner. **Please Note:** New Parish Login **Search: Parish of St Thomas Aquinas, Tauranga, New Zealand**

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 is Wednesday & Saturday 9.30am (after the 9am Mass)

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WEB: www.allsaintsbythesea.nz www.facebook.com/catholiccoast/

APP: Churchappsnz – Allsaintsbythesea

St Thomas More Catholic School, Mt Maunganui 07 574 6782

Suzanne Aubert Catholic School, Papamoa 07 777 0438

Donations to: R.C. Bishop of Hamilton – Mt Maunganui Parish 02-0342-0050016-001
Or via ChurchAppsNZ

Masses for this coming week: Tues, 7th April to Sun, 12th April 2026

St Thomas More Catholic Church

9 am Tuesday Mr & Mrs Ken Marsh RIP
9 am Wednesday Anges Janissen - Special Intention
9 am Thursday Guy & Mary Reece - RIP
9 am Friday Joseph & Catherine Hegan - RIP
9 am Saturday
10 am and 5 pm Sunday

Sunday readings: Second Sunday of Easter, 12th April 2026

Acts 10:34.37-44, Ps 117, Colossians 3:1-4 and John 20:1-9

St Patrick's Catholic Church Te Puke

5.00 pm Saturday Vigil

Suzanne Aubert School, Papamoa

8.30am Sunday

St Peter's Catholic Church Maketū

11.30am (2nd Sun of month) & Liturgy (3rd Sun of month)

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.