

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 12 October 2025

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Cardinal Dew's Visit

It was wonderful to have Cardinal Dew in our Parish last weekend as we listened to him share about the death of Pope Francis and the election of Pope Leo. It was a very moving presentation that reminded us of our devotion and love as Catholics for the Holy Father. We show this love most especially through our constant prayer for the Pope, who remains an important part of our daily prayer.

Prayers for Alpha and a New Parish Secretary

Please keep in your prayers all those taking part in our Alpha Programme, which began last week. Let us also pray that the Holy Spirit will guide us in finding the right person to serve as our new Parish Secretary.

Farewell for Jan Baker

On **Sunday, 19 October**, Jan will be farewelled during the 10.00am Mass after more than 28 years of dedicated service as our Parish Secretary. This will be followed by morning tea in the Parish lounge. Please bring a plate to share. It will be a wonderful opportunity for us to come together in gratitude and celebration.

Visit from Fr Sojan

Fr Sojan would like to visit parishioners. If you would like a short visit for prayer, a house blessing, or simply a chat, please contact him at sojancmf@gmail.com or 022 355 2781.

Kind regards Fr Eamon Kennedy

COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2026: Are available from the parish office. \$15

Clearly: from the Hamilton Diocese - September 2025

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL would like to thank you for your generosity of food and spirit feeding our friends the poor.

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 on **20 October 2025.**

SUPPORT LIFE SUNDAY 2025: Pilgrims for Hope – Building a Culture of Love and Life: Each year, on the second Sunday of October, the Church in Aotearoa Celebrates Support Life Sunday. As the New Zealand Bishops reminded us in the 2023 document, Te Kahu o te Ora: "We do not need to look far to recognise that our world requires a lot of healing. All around us, we experience divisions that are the result of human behaviours and institutions."

Support Life Sunday 2025 provides an opportunity, within this year of Jubilee, to focus on how we can better support a culture of love and life through prayer and action. Find out more at catholic.org.nz/resources

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: Is next weekend, **19 Oct**. There will be special envelopes available in the foyer if you wish to make a donation & more details next weekend.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Our next meeting is our AGM on **Thurs, 16 Oct at 10am** at STM Parish centre. Subs are now due. Usual raffle. Please consider helping on the committee.

CATHOLIC KIWI PODCAST: The New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference has launched a new podcast series, sharing stories of faith, ministry and mission of Kiwis and visitors to our shores. The first episodes have been released, with new episodes scheduled as part of 'Season 1' leading up to Christmas. Search "Catholic Kiwi Podcast" on YouTube or Spotify now.

NOSTRA AETATE WEBINAR: Celebrating 60 years of the Church's call to dialogue with people of all faiths. The New Zealand Catholic Bishops' Committee for Interfaith Relations will commemorate Nostra Aetate, the Vatican II document promulgated on 28 October 1965, and outline contemporary approaches to religious dialogue in Aotearoa New Zealand today. Tues, 28 Oct, 7-8pm. Zoom Link: https://tinyurl.com/NA-NZ-2025

VOICE FOR LIFE BOP CHARITABLE TRUST – LOCAL AGM

We are holding our local AGM this year on **Sun, 19 Oct** from 1.30pm to 3.30pm at St. Mary Immaculate Church, 114 Elizabeth Street, Tauranga. Our special guest speaker is Fr Matt McAuslin, a pro-life priest from Hamilton. Everyone is welcome and afternoon tea provided.

INTERESTED IN HOSTING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS?

Aquinas College is on the hunt for great families to host our international students. We have students from both Asia and South America coming next year and we are also on the look out for families who would be happy to host a student over the summer holidays. Couples, singles, families, young or young-at-heart, pets or no pets ... we would love to hear from anyone who would like to open their home to an international student. **Erin Nicholson, Homestay Manager** homestay@aquinas.school.nz Ph 07 543 2400

DIVINE WILL meeting will be held on **Thurs**, after the 9am Mass, in the parish lounge (John Fisher room). All welcome.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION is held at STM Church on a Tuesday at 6.30pm at the STM Church. For more info ph 027 576 5235.

WCCM | The World Community for Christian Meditation

HOLY FAMILY PARISH (Christchurch West) is hiring a Director of Parish Life & Operations: We are seeking a passionate full-time leader to help us lead, equip, and build a joyful, Christ-centred parish. Do you have:

- Strong leadership & operational skills
- A collaborative, coaching style
- Experience in multicultural or faith-based settings
- Deep alignment with Catholic mission & parish life

Enquire or apply with CV + cover letter: apply@holyfamily.nz

Applications close: 24 Oct 2025

STAY INFORMED ON NATIONAL SAFEGUARDING EFFORTS:

The National Office for Professional Standards (NOPS) is now publishing a quarterly newsletter with updates, resources, and information about the Church's safeguarding efforts. Read the latest issue here: Newsletter web version

AA: Do you, or someone you love, have a problem with alcohol? Alcoholics Anonymous meet in the STM Parish Lounge every **Sunday** 6.30–7.30pm. All welcome.

PARISH OFFICE: Mrs Jan Baker admin@allsaintsbythesea.nz

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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 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Mission Sunday, 19 Oct 2025

1. Exodus 17:8-13 **2.** 2Timothy 3:14-4:2 **Gospel: Luke 18:1-8**

MASSES FOR THIS COMING WEEK: Tues, 14 Oct to Sun, 19 Oct 2025

STM Church

9am Tues Mr & Mrs Frank Chilcott TIP

9am Wed Denis Duncan RIP

9am Thurs Dominic Hassan & family

9am Fri Deceased members of Uden family 9am Sat Deceased members of Lobo family

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

5pm Sat Vigil

Suzanne Aubert School

 $8.30 am\ Sun$

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.