



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, 16 November 2025

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Anointing of the Sick

There will be an Anointing of the Sick immediately after the 9.00 am Mass on Wednesday, 19th November. Please bring along any elderly or unwell parishioners who would like to receive the sacrament.

Alpha Day Away

Next Saturday, 22nd November, we will hold the Day Away for those participating in the Alpha Programme. Please keep our guests and leaders in your prayers, that the Holy Spirit may be with us in a special way.

Kind regards,
Fr Eamon Kennedy

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR: The bishops of New Zealand have written a pastoral letter to the Catholic community that is being read at all Masses this weekend. The letter coincides with the Church's commemoration of World Day of the Poor. It invites each person to consider how they can listen and respond to those who are in need. It offers some practical ways to live out the Christian imperative of charity, and especially in helping Catholic agencies committed to supporting those who are in need. The letter can be accessed at:

<https://catholic.org.nz/resources/>

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2026:

The Sacramental Programme will begin in (Term1) February 2026 for children that are Baptised Catholic in preparation to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation & First Holy Communion.

Parent Information and Enrolment meetings are in the Parish Lounge at St Thomas More Church (**parents need only attend one meeting**).

Tuesday, 2nd December at 7pm

Tuesday, 9th December at 7pm

NB: Please bring along a copy of your child's Baptism certificate to the enrolment meeting).

If you require further information please contact: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz

ST JOSEPH'S TE PUNA 125TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: Fundraising Gala being on held **Sun, 23 Nov 2025** beginning with a Jubilee Mass at **9am**. Join us for a day of fun, food (with a hāngī at 1pm), whānau and help keep our historic church open for generations to come. Day finishes at 2.30pm.

100-YEAR CENTENARY: St Patrick's Catholic Church, Putāruru.
Sun, 30 Nov 2025 beginning with mass at **9.30am**. Being held at St Patrick's Catholic Church, 66 Tirau Street, Putāruru (entry to carpark from Kensington Street). All Welcome. For any further enquiries or information, please contact the parish office: stpatricksputaruru@gmail.com

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL, PAEROA, 125TH JUBILEE: Thu 27th and Fri 28th Nov, 2025. There are a variety of events for all our community to enjoy. There is a Jubilee book available for purchase for \$15. Visit this link to order your copy: <https://forms.gle/ci1CG4GSsUsEUijB6>
We will also celebrate with the parish on **Sun, 30th Nov** beginning with **9am** Mass, celebrations to follow.
For further information, phone us on (07)8628994 or email office@stjpaeroa.school.nz, or message our [Facebook page](#).

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS GIFT DRIVE FOR CHILDREN: This November our parish is again supporting the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Gift Drive, helping bring joy to local children whose families are finding times tough. You're invited to share the spirit of giving by donating new, unwrapped gifts for children - books, games, toys, puzzles, art supplies, or sports gear are all welcome.
Please place your gifts in the basket in the church foyer during November – bring them to Mass during the week or on the weekend OR take them to the parish office for safe keeping (office hours Tues to Fri 9am to 12.00/noon).
Your kindness will help St Vincent de Paul deliver hope and happiness to families in need, reminding every child that they are loved and remembered this Christmas. Thank you for your generosity and Christmas spirit.

ADVENT-uring, A HALF-DAY RETREAT: Sat, 29th Nov 2025. 9am -12noon.
222 Matapihi Road, Mt Maunganui. Facilitator: Gabi Daly. Christian Meditation – Centering, Prayer, Teachings, Journalling and Music. For more information and to register please text Gabi on 021 112 6804.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Christmas Lunch on **Thur, 20th Nov 2025 at 12 noon** in the Parish Lounge. Please bring a plate and money for a raffle. Feel free to invite a friend.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: If you would like to be part of this ministry on Sunday at the 10am mass, please contact pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz

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.

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

CARDS/500: A Welcome is extended to anyone who would enjoy a good afternoon of Cards playing 500 – each Wednesday weekly from 12.45pm to 4pm. Enquiries to Barbara Jansen 07 572 4962

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION is held at STM Church on a **Tuesday at 7pm** at the STM Church. For more info ph 027 576 5235.

[WCCM | The World Community for Christian Meditation](#)

INTERESTED IN THE PRIESTHOOD: Are you a single man who yearns to follow Him as one of His priests?

Come - join Bishop Richard as he, Fr Adam and Fr Isaac lead a retreat to help you discern your vocation. Fri, 5 Dec – Sun, 7 Dec, Cluny Retreat Centre.

Contact the Vocations team for expressions of interest, questions and registration:

vocations@cdh.org.nz

Topics that may be discussed:

How can I be sure that God is calling me to be a priest?

Celibacy: is this something that Jesus is asking of me?

What are some of the joys and challenges of life as a priest?

What does daily life as a priest look like?

I don't want to end up lonely, can I have community; brotherhood; affection; and love as a priest?

What does the journey of discerning a vocation to the priesthood involve?

Participants may have their own questions to discuss also.

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.

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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 Feast of Christ the King, 23 November 2025

1. 2Samuel 5:1-3 **2.** Colossians 1:11-20 **Gospel:** Luke 23:35-43

MASSES FOR THIS COMING WEEK: Tues, 18 Nov to Sun, 23 Nov 2025

STM Church

9am Tues Mr & Mrs Ken Marsh RIP

9am Wed John & Olga Spelman RIP

9am Thurs Franklin D'Souza RIP

9am Fri Bryan Rose RIP

9am Sat Barry Sutter RIP

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 3rd 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.