



## **Third Sunday of Easter, 4 May 2025**

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

### **Prayers for the New Pope**

With the death of Pope Francis, we pray for the repose of his soul — may he rest in peace. We also pray that the Holy Spirit will guide the cardinals who are entrusted with the task of electing a new Pope. Let us pray earnestly for this intention, as it is vital for the Church to have a good and faithful Holy Father to guide us as our spiritual shepherd here on earth.

### **First Holy Communion and Confirmation**

Please keep in your prayers the children who are preparing to receive their First Holy Communion and the Sacrament of Confirmation at St Thomas More on Sunday, 11th May at 10:00 am. We pray that they may continue to grow in their Catholic faith and as full and active members of the Church, with the support of their parents.

### **The Death of Bishop Dolan**

Bishop Owen Dolan, retired Bishop of the Diocese of Palmerston North, passed away on 28th April 2025. May he rest in peace.

### **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](mailto:pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz)

Kind regards,  
Fr. Eamon Kennedy

**OBTAINING AN INDULGENCE IN THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON JUBILEE 2025:** Indulgence pamphlet – click on the link below. Some printed copies available in foyer. [Indulgences.pdf](#)

**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@allsaintsbymysea.nz](mailto:pastoral@allsaintsbymysea.nz)

**PARISH RELICS:** Have gone to the Cathedral in Hamilton for display. They are on loan so will be returned to the Parish.

**SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP** will be held at STM parish centre on **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.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE** meeting **Thu, 15 May**. We will be hosting the Whakatane Branch for WUCWO (Women's Union Catholic Women's Organisation). **Starting with mass at 12.15pm**, followed by lunch. Please bring a plate and money for a raffle.

**OFFERTORY/BRINGING UP THE GIFTS & POWERPOINT:** If you or your family would like to help with either of these ministries at the 10am or 5pm Sunday Masses at STM Church, please write your name on the clipboard in the foyer.

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

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION** is held at STM Church on a **Tuesday at 7.00pm** at the STM Church. For more info ph 027 576 5235. And also on **1<sup>st</sup> Friday** of month at 10am in a private home. Contact ph 021 157 3973 for details.  
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**PARISH OFFICE:** Please note that the office will be only open on the following days **23, 24, 29 April. 1 & 2 May. 6, 8 & 9 May**. Office will be back to normal hours from Tues, 13 May. Julie will be minding the office on these listed dates.

**PARISH DONATION RECEIPTS:** Have been emailed and posted to those who do not have an email address.

**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)

**ARE YOU BEING ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL?** If you are admitted to Tauranga Hospital and would to be visited by a hospital chaplain and or receive Holy Communion, please let the parish office know so this can be arranged. Please also ensure you enter on the Hospital Admittance form that you are a Roman Catholic.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION:** Just got engaged? Visit <https://www.cdh.org.nz/marriage> for helpful information, available marriage preparation course dates and to register your interest.

**PARISH WEBSITE:** [www.allsaintsbythesea.nz](http://www.allsaintsbythesea.nz) To keep updated with the latest information, please check the parish website. See the green bar on the screen (along the top), OUR PLACE. Click on the down arrow to LATEST NEWS.

**PARISH APP:** We encourage you to download the App. This is able to be downloaded from your phone App store. Search for **allsaintsbythesea.nz** and upload the app and be connected for latest alerts, newsletters etc.

**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.

**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.

**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 sacristy. 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://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 for Fourth Week of Easter, 11 May 2025**

1. Acts 13:14.43-52    2. Apocalypse 7:9.14-17    **Gospel:** John 10:27-30

### **MASSSES FOR THIS COMING WEEK: Tues, 6 May to Sun, 11 May 2025**

#### STM Church

9am Tues	Jim & Betty Culley RIP
9am Wed	Kevin Warn RIP
9am Thurs	Pope Francis RIP
9am Fri	Grant Morrison RIP
9am Sat	Pope Francis RIP

10am & 5pm Sun

#### St Patrick's Te Puke

5pm Sat Vigil

#### Suzanne Aubert School

8.30am Sun

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

Sunday 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.*