



**Trinity Sunday, 31st May 2026**

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

**WELCOME FR JOHN JOLLIFFE SM**

We welcome Fr John Jolliffe SM back to our Parish this week, who is supplying for Fr Sojan while he is on leave visiting his family. We thank Fr John for coming and allowing the priests of the Hamilton Diocese to have a break. It is very much appreciated.

**PROCESSION FOR CORPUS CHRISTI**

Next Sunday, 7th June, we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi (The Body and Blood of Christ). Following the 10.00 am Mass at St Thomas More, we will have our annual Eucharistic procession around the block, concluding with Benediction back at the Church.

It is a wonderful opportunity to witness to our Catholic faith and to what we believe about Jesus' Real Presence in Holy Communion, not a symbol, but truly Jesus' Real Presence. All are welcome.

Kind regards,  
Fr Eamon Kennedy

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Last weekend the Parish Finance Report was emailed out on behalf of the Finance Council. Copies are also available in the foyer at St Thomas More. Many thanks to all parishioners who generously give each week and support the Parish financially. We are very grateful, as the Parish is totally dependent on your generosity.

We also thank the members of the Finance Council, who meet monthly and generously give their time and talents in service to the Parish. Thank you for your dedication and support.

## **ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHILDREN'S WINTER WARMTH DRIVE**

St Vincent de Paul Society is collecting children's pyjamas, gumboots, rain jackets and blankets to help keep local families warm. Donations of new or good-quality items can be placed in the collection basket in the church foyer.

## **CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM 2026**

Bay of Plenty Couples for Christ will be conducting Christian Life Program on 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2026 and 1<sup>st</sup> August 2026 @ 1:30pm at St Thomas More Catholic Church.

## **DIOCESAN UPCOMING FREE EVENTS**

. Alpha Youth Day: 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2026 09:30am to 3:00 pm, at St Mary's Cathedral Hall, Hamilton. Open to all High School Students Year 7-13. To register click on the link [Alpha Youth Day - Powered by Eventzilla](#)

. Youth Day: 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2026 12:00PM to 7:00pm, at St Mary's Catholic School Hall, Rotorua. To register click on the link below [Hamilton Diocese Youth Day - Powered by Eventzilla](#)

. **RELIC TOUR:** St. Carlo Acutis, 14 – 16 June, 2026 Rotorua

. World Youth Day Info Night: 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2026 at 6pm, starting with mass being celebrated by Bishop Richard.

## **SEMINARY APPEAL 2026**

You will find a brochure in the foyer titled Seminary Appeal 2026 – Hope Grows Here, which explains how you can contribute and why your support is so important. At present, we have four seminarians in formation, and your generosity helps make their journey possible. Thank you in advance for your prayerful and financial support in helping to form future priests for our diocese.

## **WANTED CATECHISTS – RCIC (Sacraments of Initiation)**

Are you interested in joining a 'team of catechists' in helping teach children in the Catholic Faith? We would love to hear from you. Please contact Heidi for further information at [pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz](mailto:pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz)

## **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 Sunday June 21st and will run through until after Easter 2027. If you are interested in enrolling your child or learning more about this programme, please contact Heidi at: [pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz](mailto:pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz)

## **CALLED AND GIFTED**

The Holy Spirit has gifted each of us with charisms – spiritual gifts given for the service of others and the mission of the Church. *Called and Gifted* is a prayerful and practical process that helps participants discern how God is inviting them to serve through the unique gifts He has given them.

We are excited to gather at St Mary Immaculate Church, Tauranga, on 25 July 2026, 9am – 4pm. Contact [alisonc@cdh.org.nz](mailto:alisonc@cdh.org.nz)

## **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?

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

## **MEN’S PRAYER GROUP**

Is held every **Tuesday at 6.00 am** 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.

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**ROSARY** is held at 9.00 am on Mondays (no 9.00 am Mass) & Tuesday to Saturday after the 9.00 am Mass at STM Church.

**PUBLIC ROSARY** Every Wednesday at 6.00 pm, 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 9.00 am Mass.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** is Wednesday & Saturday 9.30 am (after the 9.00 am Mass)

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**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, 2<sup>nd</sup> June to Sun, 7<sup>th</sup> June**

**St Thomas More Catholic Church**

9 am Tuesday Teresa Kent (RIP)  
9 am Wednesday Keith Downs (RIP)  
9 am Thursday Ian Stewart (RIP)  
9 am Friday Murray Warn (RIP)  
9 am Saturday Silveira and Family (Thanksgiving)

10 am and 5 pm Sunday

**Sunday readings: Trinity Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026**

Exodus 34:4-6,8-9 Psalm Daniel 3:52-57, 2Corinthians 13:11-13, John 3:16-18

**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 (2<sup>nd</sup> Sun of month) & Liturgy (3<sup>rd</sup> 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.*