



4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday 1st February 2026

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Keeping those affected by the landslides in our prayers.

Our hearts go out to all those who have lost loved ones in the Mount and Tauranga because of the recent landslides. This is a very sad time for the families affected and for our country.

We keep all these people in our prayers, including those involved in the recovery work and their families, asking God to strengthen and comfort them during this difficult time.

Kind regards,
Fr Eamon Kennedy

St Michael's Troops - Saturday 7 February 2026, Auckland

Do you long for authentic brotherhood and a space to grow deeper in faith alongside other men? St Michael's Troops is an event for men aged 18-35 seeking strength, discipline, and purpose rooted in Christ. This morning event in Auckland includes Mass and formation, physical activity, and a shared BBQ. Join us, and bring a mate. Register now at kingdomfitnz.com Early bird - \$25

SAVE THE DATE: Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship (JCMF) 40-year celebration in August 2026

JCMF celebrate our 40-year anniversary this year and will do so on 14-16 August in Rotorua, with 15 August 1986 being the date of our original gathering. The venue in Rotorua and the keynote speaker is booked and we are busy with planning and preparing the event. More to come in 2026.

40 Days for Life

This Lent, become a 40 Days for Life Prayer Partner and spiritually unite with the global 40 Days for Life movement to pray for an end to abortion and to bear



witness to the dignity of every human person from conception - right where God has placed you.
From Ash Wednesday (14 February) to Palm Sunday (24 March).
Use the QR code to find the sign-up page

The Family Pilgrim Walk

A little more than two weeks to go. Walk for a Cause and Valentine's Day Vigil Mass with the Archbishop will be held on Saturday, 14 February from 1:00 pm - 6:30 pm at the close of World Marriage Week in the month of the Holy Family. On the occasion of the Jubilee Year of St Francis.
Register at: www.familypilgramwalk.co.nz

MIR PILGRIMAGES TO MEDJUGORJE IN 2026: Two departures tentatively planned for the first two weeks in **June and October 2026**. Take the opportunity to extend your stay in Europe post-pilgrimage. Expressions of interest are welcome by using the contact form on: www.pilgrimage.nz or emailing: info@mirpilgrimages.co.nz

The New Zealand Catholic Medical Association provides community, support and chaplaincy for those involved in health care in Aotearoa. The association welcomes doctors, nurses, midwives, carers, pharmacists, physiotherapists, psychologists, dentists, health administrators, counsellors, social workers, chaplains, lawyers, and anyone in allied roles. The next nationwide event is a retreat and seminar at the St Francis Friary & Retreat Centre, Auckland on March 20 and 21. For more information or to register, visit <https://bit.ly/NZCMA2026> or email newzealandcatholicmedical@gmail.com

Church Code of Conduct Survey

The Church Code of Conduct is an essential document used throughout the motu to support employees and volunteers in understanding expectations for their behaviour. It guides how we work, serve, and care for one another.

We are extending the timeframe on this survey to ask everyone in the Church - what in our Code of Conduct works well, and what could be strengthened? Please share your perspectives via our brief online survey whether you are familiar with the Code or not. We also encourage you to share this invitation with others.

You can read the existing document and complete the simple survey on the NOPS Reviews page: safeguarding.catholic.org.nz/reviews

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Please Note: Our parish login is now **Parish: St Thomas Aquinas**

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.

Sacramental Program 2026

A final enrolment evening for 2026 Sacramental program will be held on **Tuesday 3rd February at 7pm** in the St Thomas More church centre. Please bring a copy of your child's Baptism certificate.

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

ARE YOU BEING ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL? If you are admitted to Tauranga Hospital and would like 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.

CHILDRENS LITURGY

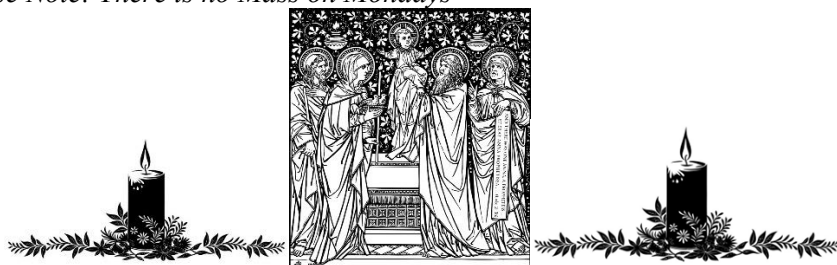
Children's Liturgy starts today.

'Liturgy of the Word' for the children is for school aged children from 5 years upwards. If anyone is interested in being part of this worthwhile children's ministry, then please contact Heidi: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz

Feast days coming up this week:

Monday 2nd Feb 2026 The Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas)

Please Note: There is no Mass on Mondays



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

READINGS 5th Week Ordinary Time, 8th February 2026
1st Isaiah 58:7-10 2nd 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

MASSES FOR THIS COMING WEEK: Tues, 3 Feb to Sun, 8 Feb 2026

STM Church

9am Tues

9am Wed

9am Thurs

9am Fri

9am Sat

10am & 5pm Sun

Agnes Janissen-Special Intention

Brian Manson- RIP (pp Rosary Group)

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Dorothy Savage- RIP

St Patrick's Te Puke

5pm Sat Vigil

(Reconciliation at 4.30pm before the 5pm Mass)

Suzanne Aubert School

8.30am Sun

11.30am **Maketū** (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.