

St Patrick's Catholic Church

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Regular Mass Times

Sunday: 8am 10am* 5pm

**Children's Liturgy at 10am Mass (during term time)*

**Monday: 9am Liturgy of the Word
with Holy Communion**

Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat: 9am Mass


Thursday: 7pm Mass

Volunteers for 9th & 16th June 2024

	8am		10am		5pm	
	Today	Next Sunday	Today	Next Sunday	Today	Next Sunday
Greeters	Patricia & Janelle		Volunteers Please	Volunteers Please	Volunteers Please	Volunteers Please
Welcome/P.O.F	Lachlan		Jenkins Rwothomio		Daniel Patten	Youth Mass
Children's Liturgy						
Ministers of the Word	1.Sue Jensen 2.John Jensen		1.Tony Lafaele 2.Jo Buen		1.Hannah Garratt 2.Irene Howell	Youth Mass
Gifts	Lyn Wilcox		Fa'afiu Family		Volunteers Please	Volunteers Please
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist	1.Gerry 2.Nef 3.Eli 4.Jomel 5.Nellie 6.Novi 7.Rachael		1.Tonnie 2.Tim 3.Irene 4.Jason 5.Allan 6.Hsiu-Ying 7.Bryan		TBC	TBC
Altar Servers	Marius, Elijah. Kitione	Peni, Fatai, Taya, Veronika	Jemimah, Arjun, Rafabella, Arianna	Chloe, Deanna, Therese, Elizabeth, Pitas	Pitas, Savannah, Ava	Youth Mass
AV Operators	Simon Dell	Annabelle		Toni	Elijah	Youth Mass
Musicians	Gary		Kids Choir		Silvy/Therese	Youth Mass
Mission Shop	Irene, Melanie, Elimarie		Lynette, Michael, Kim, Paul, Dale			


Brass Cleaning: TBC

Flowers: Trish & Margaret (9 & 16 June)

 Rosary Daily at 8.30am (except Thurs/Sun) Also Fridays 12.15pm All are Welcome!	St Pat's Kids Choir: Children aged 5 -13 are welcome. Practices are Wednesdays at 3pm. If you wish for your child to join, please email maireadg@stjosephs.co.nz	Marriage Please contact Fr Robert as early as possible before the anticipated wedding date. Pre-marriage education is required. A pamphlet outlining the process & registration details are available in the Church foyer or Parish Office or contact 09 3603025 marriag-eandfamily@cda.org.nz	Hall Hire - St. Patrick's Hall is available to parishioners for booking by contacting the Parish Office. Please contact the office for an application form and to check availability. PLEASE BOOK WELL IN ADVANCE TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT
	Baptism of Infants - Last Sunday of month at 10am Mass. Parents must attend a course. To register, call/email the office.		

St Pat's Crafters Group Every Mon, 10am - 12, upper meeting room. Bring your crafts and join us for sharing and fellowship. Call Lynette 2385690 or just turn up.	Communion to the Sick Unable to attend Mass because of illness? Please contact the office so that we can organise one of our team to visit with Holy Communion.	Youth Group (10 - 18 years) Every 3rd Sunday, 3.30pm start Fun / Faith / Food / Friendship (Check Bulletin for changes)	Monday Night Prayer Group Meets from 7pm to 8pm, scripture and prayer. Ring Rita or Roger 092384667 or 0210626389.	Planned Giving: If you wish to receive a 33% tax deduction for your donations, please join the Planned Giving scheme by completing the form found in the foyer or contact the parish office. Every donation, helps with upkeep of our lovely church building and provides for our wonderful priests. Please consider joining the pledge. accounts@pukekohecatholic.org.nz
				Divine Mercy every 1st Sunday, 3-3.30pm, here at St. Pat's

Looking to become Catholic? Enquire about 'Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults' (RCIA) If you know of someone who would like to explore the faith and become a Catholic or who wants to discuss their own faith journey. Please contact Harry 021 2782785 or Fr Robert 021 1133840 or the Parish Office.	 Alpha Runs Here! Do you want to find out more about your faith? Scan QR or stpatspukekohealpha@gmail.com or Click Here	The Catholic Faith on Demand formed.org Free for parishioners to Sign Up & Enjoy! Click 'Sign Up', Choose 'Sign up as parishioner', Type 'St Patrick's Church Pukekohe', Click 'Next', Enter your name & email address, Click 'Sign Up' - You're done!	Christian Meditation WCCM Meditation Pukekohe Group, Meet in the Chapel Wednesday 5:30pm Any queries please contact Roanne 027 647 8000 roanneraine@gmail.com
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Medical Emergency Dial 111 AED located in foyer	St Patrick's Parish Council - Fr Robert Steele (Parish Priest/Interfaith), Peter Fa'afiu (Chair), TBC (Secretary), Manase Leger (Food Bank), Ismaelito Labis & Allan Murillo (Filipino Group), Jomel Vicente & Daniel Patten (Youth Ministry), Salote Sanalio (Tongan Group), Neil Rutherford (RCIA), Wayne Oswald, Rangi Hawkins	 Holy Cross Seminary www.holycross.org.nz	Notices for the Bulletin Please send notices and announcements to the Parish Office before Thursday for the coming Sunday bulletin. accounts@pukekohecatholic.org.nz
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Adoration

Thursdays 5pm — 10pm

Reconciliation

Thurs 6pm, Sat 9.30am
Sundays before each Mass
7.20am, 9.20am, 4.20pm

Caring group

Do you know someone in the Parish in need of a visit or a chat or something else? Please contact the office.

Healing Mass

11am - 3rd Fridays.

Baptism of Infants

Baptisms are held on the last Sunday of the month during 10am Mass. Parents must attend a course. To register, contact the office.

Over 8 years Baptism & Sacramental Programme

Contact the office.

Marriage

Please contact Father Robert as early as possible before the anticipated wedding date. Pre-marriage education is required. A pamphlet outlining the process & registration details are available in the Church foyer or Parish Office.

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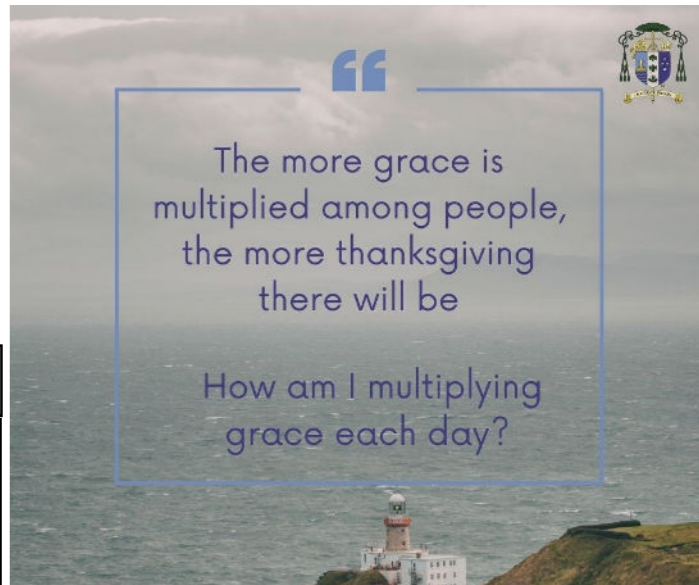
Reflection - Tenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday, 9th June 2024

In today's Gospel Jesus has just been healing and casting out demons in Galilee. Along with the crowds, who flock to Him so that He can't even take a break to eat, come people who do not understand what He is doing. Even His friends think He has lost His mind and needs to be taken away for a while. But the scribes who came down from Jerusalem are not just honestly mistaken; they accuse Him of being possessed by the prince of demons. The reality is just the opposite. Jesus is revealing Himself as the one promised in our first reading. He is the seed of the woman who has come to crush the head of the demonic serpent. In the parable of the strong man, Jesus reveals that He has come not just to punish the devil but to free those bound by him. As St. Bede explains, "The Lord has also bound the strong man, that is, the devil: which means, He has restrained him from seducing the elect, and entering into his house, the world; He has spoiled his house, and His goods, that is men, because He has snatched them from the snares of the devil, and has united them to His Church." The scribes blaspheme by attributing this work of the Holy Spirit to demons. Jesus adds a statement that shocks us at first: "whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness." That does not mean that there are any limits to the mercy of God (CCC 1864). Rather, the only sin that cannot be forgiven is the deliberate refusal to accept the mercy offered through the Holy Spirit. Instead, we must imitate those who sat at Jesus' feet. For, as He said, "Whoever does the will of God is my brother, and sister, and mother."

Next Sunday's Readings

1st	Ezekiel 17:22-24
2nd	2Corinthians 5:6-10
G	Mark 4:26-34



"Working Together for a Safe Church"

St. Patrick's Pukekohe is committed to providing a safe environment by following the National Safeguarding Policy

www.safeguarding.catholic.org.nz

Parish Records Update

If you wish to receive the weekly bulletin or important Parish-wide announcements, **by email**, please ensure that you contact the office. If you have previously indicated that you would like to be added to the email list but do not seem to receive emails, please let us know so that we can rectify this. Email the office: office@pukekohecatholic.org.nz

Catholic Women's League

Our next meeting will be Wednesday 12th June at 7.00 pm in the Upper Room of the Parish Hall. New members welcome. Contact Fleur on 0272286053 for further information.



St Francis Retreat Centre:

visit www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz or call 09 625 6651
Behold the Man- A retreat for men with Fr Michael Therese CSJ | Fri 7 Jun 7pm-Sun 9 Jun 4:30pm | Email retreats@sfrc.org.nz to register your interest and receive more info
Time Out Days- For those who seek a day retreat - 9:30am – 2:30pm (\$30 includes lunch) | Thu 27 Jun | Tue 9 Jul | Wed 21 Aug
24Hr Quietude- For those who seek a short retreat- Fri 7pm - Sat 7pm (\$120pp incl accommodation + food) | July 12th/13th
Women's Prayer Retreat- A reflective prayer retreat in the Catholic tradition for Women | 3 nights, 4 days starting Thu 1 Aug 7pm - Sun 4 Aug 3pm | Earlybird (before 2/7) \$350 | Standard \$400
Living as the Beloved- Silent Retreat based on the book 'Life of the Beloved' by Henri Nouwen | \$599 all meals and accommodation | Fri 25 Oct 5:30pm - Mon 28 Oct 5pm | Email jmartin.blaker@gmail.com to register

PART-TIME STAFF WANTED

Have an interest in handbags and luggage, Understand what it means to give outstanding customer service, 15 - 20 hrs/wk inc. every 2nd Saturday, all training given. Ring John 021 0449545 (David Mills Ltd Pukekohe)

Volunteer Succession Planning:

A big thankyou to all the new volunteers who have stepped up to roles in Parish Council, Baptism for Babies & Over 8s, Alpha, Tongan Group, and RCIA. It is very important that we continue to add fresh volunteers to our Ministries and Programmes so that the knowledge base and experiences of existing volunteers is not lost but can be passed on. It would be fantastic if anyone, who is currently not helping with programmes, could contact the office and have a chat about where your skills / time can best be utilised. office@pukekohecatholic.org.nz or (09)238 6641

St. Patrick's Food Bank

Our St. Pat's Foodbank is experiencing an increasing demand for food parcels from those in our parish & community in need of support. We would be very grateful for any donations of the following: Cereal, Pasta, Noodles, Rice, Spaghetti, Baked Beans, Tomato Sauce, Pasta Sauce, Biscuits, Jam, Peanut Butter, Coffee, Tea, Milo, Canned Fruit, UHT Milk, soap and sanitary products.

For Online Bank Donations:
02-0108-0708844-004

(Please include your pledge number as a reference or let the office know if you need a receipt)

Changes to NZ Catholic Newspaper

The Diocese has made the decision to transition NZ Catholic from a fortnightly printed publication to a monthly digital publication due to falling circulation numbers, subscribers and advertisers. **The issue published on 30 June will be NZ Catholic's last printed fortnightly edition.** Subscribers will receive a letter from Bishop Steve this week. We give thanks for the work of the NZ Catholic staff, past and present. They have been amazing. They have told the stories of our Church and society. We ask for your prayerful support as we make this transition. More information: <https://nzcatholic.org.nz/> (a copy of Bishop Steve's letter is also on the noticeboard)



Divine Mercy here at St. Pat's Pukekohe

Calling for Divine Mercy prayer warriors! You are invited to join our Divine Mercy prayer group at St Patrick's.

Please contact Thomas @0220948675 if interested or any queries.

**Every 1st Sunday
3pm - 3.30pm**

St. Patrick's Pukekohe Vision Statement

'A vibrant Catholic parish that transforms members into the People of God through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and the Sacramental Life of the church. We offer to all, without exclusion, the opportunity to connect with each other and grow together in Christ.'

+ Caritas Vacancies Come work for us – Advocacy Lead at Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand is the Catholic bishops' agency for justice, peace and development, part of a global federation. We're on the hunt for an Advocacy Lead to join our team and bring about positive social justice through education, advocacy, and Māori engagement. The ideal candidate will have strong writing and research skills, experience in an advocacy and/or policy position, and a relevant tertiary qualification. Reporting to the Chief Executive of Caritas NZ and the Regional Coordinator of Caritas Oceania, they will be responsible for contributing towards the establishment of the advocacy function and framework for Caritas Oceania and Caritas NZ and coordinating programmes aligned to the Caritas mission. This role offers an exciting opportunity within a close-knit Wellington-based team. Visit <https://mclaren.co.nz/vacancies/?ja-job=4240637>

+ YCC Day for school Friday July 5 Caritas YCC Day is Friday July 5 for Catholic schools across Aotearoa-NZ. All six of our bishops are in this video promoting the event, which this year will support Holy Trinity School in Papua New Guinea. Have fun enjoying a non-uniform day knowing that our gold coin fundraising will help provide new desks, chairs and resources for the students at Holy Trinity, where many are going without at the moment. Last year we combined and raised more than \$32,000 to help Oecusse School in Timor Leste to fix their toilets to bring smiles to their 800 students. Resources for students are available at www.caritas.org.nz/ycc-day. If July 5 doesn't work then schools are encouraged to join in on any other day that suits this year. Let's do it!

Watch the video to learn about the event and find out what YCC stands for : https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UqEsNb_22Dg

+ World Youth Day Auckland | Saturday 17th August 10am – 8:30pm at Victory Convention Centre 98 Beaumont St Freemans Bay. Save Young people aged 13-30yrs old (and their youth leaders!) are invited to join us for an unforgettable celebration of our Catholic faith. Get ready for praise & worship, a special guest speaker, Mass with Bishop Steve Lowe, free kai, time to connect with other young Catholics, and so much more! Registrations opening soon! Go to facebook.com/AKCYM for updates or email felicitym@cda.org.nz for more info.

+ Young Adults Ball | Saturday 14th September 7pm – 11pm at Muhughs of Cheltenham 46 Cheltenham Road Auckland. Early bird tickets on sale now: Go to facebook.com/AKCYM to get your ticket or email felicitym@cda.org.nz for more info.

+ Masterclass | Saturday 22nd June 3pm – 8:30pm at Te Kupenga 40 Vermont St Auckland. If you're a youth ministry leader or young adult ministry leader, you're invited to our quarterly event dedicated to equipping, empowering and energising you for ministry. Registrations now open: Go to facebook.com/AKCYM to register or email felicitym@cda.org.nz for more info.

+ You are all invited to Building a Thriving Parish Part 3 – Come and meet with clergy and parishioners to learn, share experiences, and challenges in building a thriving parish. Be inspired and empowered with practical tools as Dcn Steve Fraser shares how the Holy Spirit has shaped his purpose and mission. **7pm, Wednesday 26th June 2024**, at the St Francis Retreat Centre, 50 Hillsborough, Rd Mt Albert Register directly with Dcn Steve Fraser on stephenf@cda.org.nz Light refreshments provided

+ Towards October 2024 Local Churches are invited to contribute to the Synod on Synodality by deepening aspects of the Synthesis Report. These contributions are guided by the question: "HOW can we be a synodal Church in mission?" The diocese is offering sessions to provide an opportunity for the Church of Auckland to participate in this phase of the consultation. For more details and to register (which is required) <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/towards-october-2024/>

+ Catholic Diocese of Auckland Vacancies- Videographer/Storyteller The Diocese is seeking a dynamic and experienced individual to join our team as the Digital Videographer/Storyteller. This newly created role is responsible for developing and implementing proactive digital and video content for the Catholic Diocese of Auckland, to ensure effective social media presence with all stakeholders of the Diocese. We are looking for a creative person with strong storytelling abilities and creative vision to deliver compelling narratives through video and social media content.

Digital Editor – Part Time The Diocese invites applications for the role of part-time EDITOR. This is an exciting opportunity to be involved in the digitisation of our current printed NZ Catholic newspaper, to write and lead the editorial function as part of a small and dedicated news/digital team. We are looking for a creative person with strong editorial and writing abilities along with an innovative vision to deliver compelling and relevant news and commentary. To view the full adverts and position descriptions, please visit our website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz under Diocesan Services and Staff Vacancies. (Applications close 14th of June) **Database/Grants/**

Administration/Fundraising Coordinator The Catholic Caring Foundation is seeking a well-organised multitasker, loyal team player with a dedication to caring for people and community for their small, busy, and welcoming organisation. This position is a full-time position, Monday to Friday. The main functions of the role are donor database/donations coordination and administration, Grants coordination and support, Fundraising support and donor care, Basic accounting and Liaison with key stakeholders. To view the full advert and position description, please visit our website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz under Diocesan Services and Staff Vacancies. Applications close 20th of June.