

**CATHEDRAL OF
ST PATRICK & ST JOSEPH**

SUNDAY MASSES

8 am, 11 am, 4.30 pm & 7 pm

WEEKDAYS AT THE CATHEDRAL

Mass Monday-Friday: 7.00 am & 12.15 pm
Saturdays & Public Holidays: 8.30 am

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Email info@thesquaregiftstore.co.nz
Phone 09 365 1693
<https://www.thesquaregiftstore.co.nz>

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Spaces on either side of the Cathedral doors must be kept clear for the disabled.
WILSON CAR PARK HOBSON ST: \$4.50 SUNDAY MASS PARKING is available at using the ParkMate App ONLY! Please download, register and familiarise yourself with the App where possible. The Promo Code STPATS must be selected for the \$4.50 discount.
WILSON CAR PARK City Centre/Durham Lane: SUNDAY MASS PARKING validated parking rate has increased to \$3. Your ticket must be validated in the Cathedral before returning to Wilson's. The validator is at the left as you enter the main doors of the Cathedral. As soon as the light turns RED withdraw your card! When you return to Wilson's Durham Lane go to the payment machine.

SAFE CHURCH ~ SAFE GUARDING

As Catholics we believe that every person is created in the likeness and image of God. Therefore, we continue to ensure that our parish is a place where everyone is treated with respect and dignity. We foster an environment which is welcoming, and in which all our parish whanau, including our tamariki, rangatahi, kuia and kaumatua, feel safe. If you have any complaints or concerns, our Safeguarding Co-ordinator is Anita Hudson phone 09 303-4509 x205, 027-381-4400 or anita@stpatricks.org.nz. You may also contact the National Office for Professional Standards 0800-114-662. You may also contact the police 111.

ST BENEDICT'S, NEWTON

1 St Benedict's Street (off Upper Queen St)
Parish Priest ~ Fr Gilbert Ramos
Secretary ~ Catherine van Veen & Miranda Wagg
Phone 09 379 0624 office@stbenedictsaukland.org.nz

**Weekend Mass Times: Saturday 6pm
& Sunday 9.30am**

Filipino ACFC: (every Sunday) 11:30 am
Tongan Mass: 1.30pm 3rd Sunday of the month.
Indonesian Mass: 1.30pm 4th Sunday of the month.

WEEKDAYS AT ST BENEDICT'S
Wednesday - Friday 12.10pm

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, PARNELL

244 Parnell Rd
Parish Priest ~ Fr Stephen Berecz
Presbytery 300 6372
Secretary ~ Nathaniel Hood
office@parnellcatholic.org.nz ~ 373 3132

**Masses: Saturday 9 am,
Saturday Vigil Mass 5 pm,
Sunday 7am & 9.30am.**

ST PETER'S, WAIHEKE ISLAND
Masses Saturday Vigil 5 pm & Sunday 9.15 am

Liaison ~ Christine 09 372 3581

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Cathedral ~ Weekdays 11 am-12.10 pm
St Benedict's ~ Saturday 5.00 pm - 5.45 pm
St John the Baptist ~ Saturdays 9.30 am

**DIOCESAN YOUTH
& YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

www.facebook.com/AKCYM
www.instagram.com/acym2
Contact Sam Brebner
samb@cda.org.nz

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY MINISTRY

www.facebook.com/AucklandCatholicChaplaincy
www.instagram.com/AucklandCatholicChaplaincy

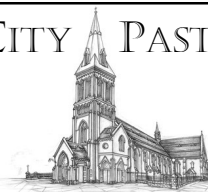
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244 PARNELL ROAD
PARNELL, AUCKLAND



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PRESENTATION OF THE LORD ~ 2 FEBRUARY 2025

**The Presentation: An encounter of
'Hope and Fulfilment'**

We often live our lives dominated by the past! Our yesterdays are more important than our tomorrows. Memories are our only treasure. The older we grow the stronger our attachment for our memories. Today's gospel presents us with Simeon and Anna, who oddly prefer the future. They cling on to the 'hope and fulfilment' of the Messianic prophecy of Isaiah. The young parents Mary and Joseph with the child Jesus encounter the old spirit-filled venerables Simeon (= one who hears) and Anna, daughter of Phanuel (= face of God) in the Temple. Luke testifies on five occasions that Mary and Joseph did everything that the Law of Moses required. They fulfil two specific regulations of the Torah: the 'purification' of the mother forty days after the birth of a child (Leviticus 12:1-8) and the dedication of the firstborn to God (Exodus 13:2, 12-16). The child Jesus is the fulfilment of the promises of the Old Testament. Simeon represents ancient Israel who patiently awaits the coming of the Messiah. Anna, on the other hand, represents a lifetime of service to God.

The infancy narratives in the gospel of Luke are filled with the songs of Zachariah, and Mary. Today, Simeon holding the infant Jesus in his arms, sings his Nunc Dimittis: "Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace, just as you promised ..." He foretells

who Jesus would be—the glory of the people of Israel and revelation to the Gentiles.

His joyful song now adds a pinch of pain and sorrow! Jesus would also be a 'sign of contradiction', and with a gaze of caution he addresses Mary that a 'sword will pierce her soul'. Surely, where there is great love, there is great pain too. Joy and sorrow, acceptance and rejection, birth and death are part of the milestones between Bethlehem and Calvary. Mary had to ponder these things in her heart.

Anna, a daughter of the 'face of God' has made the Temple her dwelling for seven decades with daily fasting and prayer. Addressing the crowds in the Temple she praises God for the person of Jesus in who all ancient promises are fulfilled.


Simeon and Anna stay back in the Temple.

Mary and Joseph take the child back to Nazareth. The HOME is the locus where the parents will now enable the child Jesus to mature, to be filled with wisdom, and to grow in favour with God and with people. Like Simeon and Anna we are all called to WAIT on the Lord, and like Mary and Joseph we are all invited to MATURE like Jesus in stature, wisdom, and favour with God and people.

**Blessings ~ Fr Glenford Lowe SDB
Assistant Priest, The Cathedral of
St Patrick & St Joseph**



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Download the App, login and create a profile. Then ensure you turn on the notifications on your phone's settings. Visit our website for instructions on how to turn on [Notifications for your App](#). You will be able to contact us, update your details with the parish, read the newsletter, have ready access to important notifications, links to our Facebook, daily readings etc and donate online using the Pushpay link within the App.

Liturgy of the Word

~ **Malachi 3:1-4** The Lord whom you seek will come to his temple.

~ **Psalm 23** Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

~ **Hebrews 2:14-18** He had to be made like us in all things.

~ **Gospel Luke 2:22-40** My eyes have seen your saving power.

Next Week's readings: Isaiah 58:7-10; Psalm 111; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

For Sunday and weekday readings see: mobilegabriel.com AND www.livingtheword.org.nz

This Week at the Cathedral

Mass Times

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
7 am & 12.15 pm

Saturday and Public Holidays 8.30 am
Sunday 8 am, 11 am, 4.30 pm & 7 pm

Reconciliation

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
11 am to 12 pm in the St Peter Chanel Chapel.

Children's Liturgy – Sunday 11 am Mass,
3-7 years and 8-12 years. Parents are welcome
to join their children.

Sunday 2nd February - Today we will be welcome
our new Dean, Fr Craig Dunford to the Cathedral.
Fr Craig will be celebrating all 4 Masses.

Waitangi Day—Thursday 6 February is a public
holiday, so there will be an 8.30 am Mass only
and the Cathedral Office will be closed.

Prayer Groups at the Cathedral:

*All new members welcome! Enquires, contact
Anita 303-4509 or anita@stpatricks.org.nz*

Weekday Rosary: after 7am Mass Monday to
Friday in the Cathedral, and coffee before work.

Christian Meditation Group:

Mondays 5.30-6.30pm, St Peter Chanel Chapel.
All are welcome.

Friday Rosary: all four Mysteries 5-6pm,
St Peter Chanel Chapel. Friday Rosary will
reconvene on 7th February.

Marian Movement of Priests: is restarting from
22nd February from 9am-9:45am.

Saturday & Public Holidays Rosary: after 8.30am
Mass, mornings in the Cathedral.

Fathers' Prayer Group: 5.30-6.30pm Wednesdays
Contact Michael Hart 021-965-482 or
michaelh@nzchl.com

Cathedral Youth Group ~ for youth between the ages of 16-35years

The Cathedral Youth Group resumes 16 February,
meeting Sunday evenings between
5.45 pm & 6.45 pm. To register please email
Fr Glen at frglen@stpatricks.org.nz

Cathedral Children's Sacramental Programme 2025

Enrolments are open for children 8-12 years old
seeking to complete their Rites of Initiation with
the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation
and First Holy Communion.

Begins Sunday 16 February 9.30-10.30am.

Please complete the following form

[https://stpatrickcathedralnz.ccbchurch.com/
goto/forms/90/responses/new](https://stpatrickcathedralnz.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/90/responses/new).

Enquiry forms are also in the Cathedral Foyer.
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3 day Women's Retreat- Friday 28th February
6pm to Sunday 2nd March 3pm - with time for
Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation,
Personal Prayer and Spiritual Direction.

All women are welcome. For information and to
register visit www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz

Te Ara o te Tūmanako

The Way of Hope Pilgrimage

Departing September 2025 accompanied by
Bishop Steve Lowe, Our Way of Hope will begin in
Lyon, the mother Church for the Catholic Church in
Aotearoa New Zealand and journey to Rome.

Meeting pilgrims of the past who have influenced
our local and the universal Church and who will
inspire us in hope in preparation to pass through
the Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica in Rome and
receive the Jubilee blessing. For bookings
and information call 1800 819 156 or visit

<https://bookings.harvestjourneys.com/pv2566>

Bishop Steve Speaks—Tune into the diocesan
YouTube channel playlist *Bishop Steve Speaks* to
hear him reflecting on the readings of Sunday and
other moments of conversation.

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?
list=PLYVVDAh6gEBFpCzZXCtLhlpW_gsxny4e](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLYVVDAh6gEBFpCzZXCtLhlpW_gsxny4e)

Incense-A Taste of Heaven? - With Beate Matthies
Monday, 24 February, 7-8pm on ZOOM. For more
information and registration: www.studyjoy.nz

Peace Place Mass Returns for 2025

22 Emily Place, 8am Saturdays.

Theology of the Body Courses Human Love in the Divine Plan:

Beginners Course

Ideal for those new to Theology of the Body.
Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 February. Mission
Bay, Auckland.

All adults 20+ are welcome.

7-week guided book study on Dr Edward Sri's Men, Women and the Mystery of Love

A reflection on how to approach relationships
and how these insights inspire us to live out our
relationships with greater Christ-like love.

This course is for young adults (18 - 35 years),
over 7 Wednesday evenings starting
12 February, in Hillsborough, Auckland

**To register or for more information
for either course please visit:**

theologyofthebody.nz

Story of the Stations of the Cross

Explore with Sr Sian the meaning and history of
the Stations of the Cross, 26 February 7pm
online. Email pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz

The Agapé Community - meets Wednesdays,
between 6pm & 7:30pm, at the Sacred Heart
Church Hall, Vermont Street, in Ponsonby.

There is the option of coffee or tea before the
meeting and following the meeting, fellowship &
pizza, at the Ponsonby Foodcourt.

For enquiries phone or text Paul, 022 500 9459
or email pobrownepppob@gmail.com.

Young Leaders Masterclass

Sunday 23 February 2pm-6pm,
at 30 New Street Ponsonby.

For youth ministry leaders or young adult ministry
leaders, an invitation to the quarterly event
dedicated to equipping, empowering and
energising you for ministry. The first Masterclass
for 2025 will feature two workshops focused on
helping you make the best possible start to your
ministry year! Go to [www.facebook.com/
AKCYM](http://www.facebook.com/AKCYM) or email youthmin@cda.org.nz for more
information and to register.

Diocesan Youth Commissioning Mass

Sunday 23 February 7pm at the Cathedral
Young Leaders' Commissioning Mass with Bishop
Steve Lowe celebrating and commissioning our
young leaders as they are sent out for ministry in
2025. All are welcome. For more information.

www.facebook.com/AKCYM or email [youth-
min@cda.org.nz](mailto:youth-
min@cda.org.nz)

Multimedia Journalist Vacancy - (20 hours per
week) The Diocese is seeking a talented person to
create engaging digital multimedia content
(stories, photos, videos) that shares the news of
the Diocese, Bishop, Parish, Schools and Agencies.
These stories will also contribute to supporting
the national CathNews platform which delivers
news, analysis, and commentary of interest
to the Catholic community.

For full details, visit www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz
– Diocesan Services – Staff Vacancies.

Please pray for those who are sick, recovering from surgery or needing our prayers, especially:

Diane Burton, Jazriel Maraya, Patricia Fisher, Rosemarie Glassey, Rita Lopez, Wayne Barden, Joy Agon, Lyn Sparks, Joy Mitchell, Maryke Lind, Gil Melling, Louise Collins, Judy Hanna, Neira, Thilsi Vern, Ivy Hi, Dina Miranda, Edilberto Reyes, Anne Telles, Malu Beltran, Vivien Emery, Teresa Gudex, Corazon Villanueva Misa, Ben Hunt, Angela Robinson, Kirei Tua, Maurice Robinson, Maura Just, Aaron Ablan, Alice Swann, Dennis Matthew, Marlee Owens, John Sullivan, AS, Lynn Welsh, Samira & Raj, James L. Cu, Linda Mole, Alberto Olarte, Ana Laura Robles, Brian Murphy, BC, Christopher Hughes, Ana Manjarrez, Sue Bedford, Joe Raymond, Dawn Rocca, Mary Bratton, Royston Beckham, Margaret Everett, John & Rosa Williams, Michael Wong, Yaroslav Khmel, Rosa Santos, Rosita Galarg, Linus Broughton, Patricia Wright, Sue Wynne Davis, Ann Gordon, Nicholas James, Bonifacio Sanches, Gavin Alexander, Teana Jones, Chonusi William, Maria Martho, Benny Clynes, Eric & Rachel Smith, J. Harrington, John Kainuku, Christopher Browne, Serena Coughy, Adelaida Sison, Rodolfo Paragas, Virgilia Velasquez, Shannon Kavanagh, Amiria Marshall Amai.

We remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Chris Scott, Peter Merrick, Farrokh Badae, Craig Baguley, Rodney Denham, Catherine Dervan, Jack Finlay, Bunty Hart, Fr Ikenasio Vitalian, Beatriz Young, Johnny Hitiaa, Eric Thepeaut, Vanessa Ellin, Nonie Kiely, Msgr David Price, Letty Gonzales, Kevin Richards, Kevin Black, Dennis & Eric Mallard, June McCabe, Kevin Ryder, Kristian Ramos, Peter Speedy, Jennifer She, Robert Sloan, Vida Delegat, Margaret Fitzgerald, Armando Maniti, Rojas Dasson, Claire Howley, Walter Nicholls, Joan Delargey, Mariana Ramsey, John O'Connor, Frank Monteiro, Margaret McFadzien, Calmar Gelling, Irene Stemberge, Taitotusa Fenoti, Bernard Kelly, Marcelino Paderanga, Monika Menartowicz, Justiniano Senior, Emilia Molinyawe, Phyllis Donegan, Metui Latu, Patricia Wild, Marie Hawthorne, Carlina Veltron, Dellwyn Whiteford, Quentin Kelly, Bishop George Michael Lenihan DD, Bernardo Flores, Dominic Galosi OFM, Henri Belliard SM, Patricia Robinson

... Eternal rest grant to them.