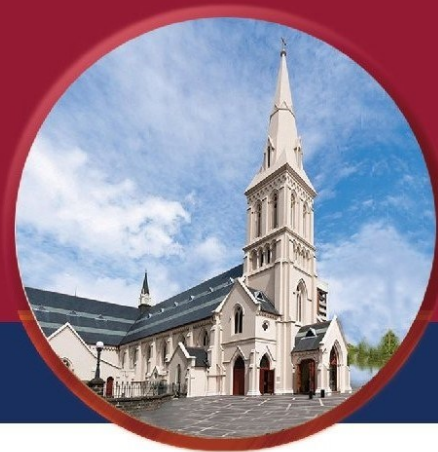


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Bienvenido - Willkommen -bula Vinaka - Dobro došli - Hola! - Witajcie*

Tēnā Koutou Katoa, Welcome to the Cathedral of St. Patrick and St. Joseph, situated in downtown Auckland, at the heart of New Zealand's largest city. As the Mother Church of the Catholic Diocese of Auckland, we are blessed to welcome thousands of people each week — coming to pray, light a candle, or enjoy a moment's peace in the presence of our Lord. Whether you're visiting from another parish, joining us from overseas, or call this Cathedral your spiritual home, we are truly delighted to have you here with us.

We encourage all parishioners to participate in the life of the Church as much as possible. If you're looking for ways to get involved, please feel free to enquire with our friendly volunteers or parish office staff. We'd love to help you find a place to serve and grow in faith.

Thank you for being part of our community today, may your time in this sacred space be filled with peace and blessings.

God Bless - Fr Craig

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SATURDAYS & PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 8.30 am

RECONCILIATION Monday to Friday 11 am to 12 pm
in the St Peter Chanel Chapel.

ADORATION Monday to Friday 11 am to 12 pm

REGULAR PRAYER GROUPS & ACTIVITIES

**WCCM Christian Meditation
Group (Monday)**

5.30-6.30 pm, St Peter Chanel Chapel.

Daily Rosary

after 7 am Mass in the Cathedral,
Saturdays & Public Holidays

Fathers' Prayer Group (Wednesday)

5.30-6.30 pm Contact Ken Fairgray
021-494-770 or kenfairgray@mac.com

Friday Rosary all four Mysteries 5-6 pm,
St Peter Chanel Chapel.

**Marian Movement of Priests
Cenacle (Saturday)**

9 am-9.45 am, St Peter Chanel Chapel.
Contact Tina - ckoon89@gmail.com

Young Adults Group (Sunday)

For young adults between the ages of
16 and 35 years. 5.45 pm-6.45 pm.

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4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
26th April 2026

This week's readings:

1st Reading Acts 2:14, 36-41
Psalm 22: 1-6
2nd Reading 1 Peter 2:20-25
Gospel John 10:1-10

Next Sunday 3rd May 2026
FIFTH SUNDAY of EASTER

1st Reading Acts 6:1-7
Psalm 32: 1-2, 4-5, 18-19
2nd Reading 1 Peter 2:4-9
Gospel John 14:1-12



Seminary Appeal

With 11 men currently discerning the priesthood for the Diocese of Auckland in 2026, we are blessed to see men generously answering God's call to serve the Church. Each of these men is undertaking years of prayer, study, and formation as they prepare for a life of service to the people of our diocese.



Please keep our seminarians in your prayers and, if you are able, consider supporting their formation as they prepare to serve the Church in Auckland.

SCAN QR CODE TO
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VOCATIONS SUNDAY
- 26th April 2026

Bishop Steve Lowe asks us to support our seminarians studying towards their priestly vocations at Holy Cross Seminary. Your contribution will positively influence the future of the Church here in Auckland. Donate at www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/donate. Please continue to pray for our seminarians.

EXPLORE THE CATHEDRAL ONLINE

We invite you to explore the Cathedral's new website and follow us on Instagram. It's a wonderful way to stay connected with Mass times, events, and the life of our Cathedral community.

Scan the QR Codes for our new social media pages!

Website



YouTube



Newsletter

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Please note that due to the ANZAC DAY public holiday observed on Monday 27th April - there will be **one Mass only at 8:30am.**



TAX DONATION RECEIPTS

We are currently in the process of gathering and finalising all donation records for tax receipts. We appreciate your patience as this work is completed, and we are aiming to have all receipts issued by mid-May. Thank you for your understanding and ongoing support of the Cathedral.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

We are gradually moving away from planned giving envelopes and encouraging automatic payments where possible, as envelopes require significant manual processing. If you currently use envelopes and would like to continue or transition to another method, please contact the parish office.

RISE UP AND SHINE FESTIVAL

Taste the World, Celebrate the Culture! **30 May 2026** for the Migrant Chaplaincy **Rise Up & Shine Festival.** Malaeola Community Centre, 16 Waokauri Pl, Mangere. The day begins with a **Thanksgiving Mass at 10am**, followed by social entertainment until **3pm** - featuring music, Zumba, food stalls, and a vibrant cultural show.

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE PREP COURSE

Are you getting married? Book your Marriage Prep course **at least 6 months before your wedding date.** Get in touch - Gerry: 021 0224 7442 marriageandfamily@cda.org.nz



INFANT BAPTISM ENQUIRIES

The next Baptism Preparation Course will be held in **May** and is required for parents presenting your **first-born child in NZ** for baptism. For further details, including required documentation and baptism dates for the remainder of the year.

Please email info@stpatricks.org.nz.

PRAYER FOR DISARMAMENT AND PEACE BY POPE LEO

(you are invited to spend some personal reflective time with this prayer)

Lord of Life, you shaped every human being in your image and likeness. We believe you created us for communion, not for war, for fraternity, not for destruction. You who greeted your disciples saying, "Peace be with you", grant us the gift of your peace and the strength to make it a reality in history. Today we lift up our prayer for peace in the world, asking that nations renounce weapons and choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy. Disarm our hearts of hatred, resentment, and indifference, so we may become instruments of reconciliation. Help us understand that true security does not come from control fuelled by fear, but from trust, justice, and solidarity among peoples. Lord, enlighten the leaders of the nations, so they may have the courage to abandon projects of death, halt the arms race, and place the lives of the most vulnerable at the centre. May the nuclear threat never again dictate the future of humanity. Holy Spirit, make us faithful and creative builders of daily peace: In our hearts, our families, our communities, and our cities. May every kind word, every gesture of reconciliation, And every choice for dialogue be seeds of a new world. Amen.

MASS OF THE NEOPHYTES

All who were baptised at Easter 2026 or received into full communion in the last 12 months are invited to attend with their families, and friends to return to the Cathedral of St Patrick and St Joseph for the Mass of Welcome on **Sunday 24 May 2026** at 4.30pm. This is an opportunity to celebrate our newly initiated, drawing them on their discipleship and give thanks for the gift of faith in the celebration of the Eucharist.



ACYA Upcoming Events **May 2026**

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WORSHIP AND TESTIMONY NIGHT!

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BIBLE STUDY / FORMATION
Growing in faith together

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ADORATION + BENEDICTION
Spending time with our Lord in the Eucharist

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MYSTERY EVENT**
Stay tuned for more details

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DIOCESAN YOUTH MASS
Youth and young adults from around Auckland celebrate Mass at the Cathedral!

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GOD DEFEND NEW ZEALAND

Thomas Bracken

E Ihowā Atua, O ngā iwi mātou rā,
Āta whakarangona; Me aroha noa.
Kia hua ko te pai; Kia tau tō atawhai;
Manaakitia mai Aotearoa.

God of Nations at thy feet,
in the bonds of love we meet.
Hear our voices, we entreat,
God defend our free land.
Guard Pacific's triple star,
from the shafts of strife and war.
Make her praises heard afar.
God defend New Zealand.

Men of every creed and race,
gather here before thy face.
Asking Thee to bless this place,
God defend our free land.
From dissension, envy, hate,
and corruption guard our state.
Make our country good and great,
God defend New Zealand.

Let our love for Thee increase,
May Thy blessings never cease.
Give us plenty, give us peace,
God defend our free land.
From dishonour and from shame,
Guard our country's spotless name.
Crown her with immortal fame,
God defend New Zealand.

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LORD HAVE MERCY

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Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.

GLORIA

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Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace
to people of good will. We praise you,
we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God,
almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away
the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer; you are seated at the right
hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone
are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

PSALM 23

Marty Haugen

**Response: Shepherd me O God, beyond my
wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.**

*Cantor: God is my shepherd,
so nothing shall I want, I rest in the meadows
of faithfulness and love, I walk by the quiet
waters of peace. -R*

**Response: Shepherd me O God, beyond my
wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.**

*Cantor: Gently you raise me and heal my weary
soul, you lead me by pathways of righteousness
and truth, my spirit shall sing the music
of your name. - R*

*Cantor: Though I should wander the valley of
death, I fear no evil, for you are at my side,
your rod and your staff, my comfort
and my hope. - R*

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Donald Fischel

**Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia,
give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia give praise to his name.**

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation. - R

**Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia,
give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia give praise to his name.**

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O GOD, YOU SEARCH ME

Bernadette Farrell

O God, you search me and you know me.
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are before me:
Ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising.
You discern my purpose from afar,
And with love everlasting you besiege me:
In ev'ry moment of life or death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord.
You have known its meaning through and
through. You are with me beyond my
understanding: God of my present,
my past and future, too.

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HOLY HOLY

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

When we eat this bread and drink this cup;
we proclaim your death O Lord,
until you come again.

GREAT AMEN

Amen, Amen, Amen!

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world, grant us peace.

SEEK YE FIRST

Karen Lafferty

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his
righteousness. And all these things shall be
added unto you; Allelu, Alleluia.

**Refrain: Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia.**

Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye
shall find. Knock and the door shall be opened
unto you; Allelu, alleluia. -R

Where two or three are gathered in my name,
there am I in their midst; and whatsoever ye
ask, I will do. Allelu, alleluia. -R

No one can live on bread alone, but on every
word. That proceeds from the mouth of God;
Allelu, alleluia.

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ALLELUIA SING TO JESUS

Rowland H. Prichard

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the sceptre,
his the throne; Alleluia! His the triumph,
his the victory alone. Hark! the songs of
peaceful Sion thunder like a mighty flood;
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation has redeemed
us by his blood."

Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow
now; Alleluia! He is near us, faith believes,
nor questions how. Though the cloud from
sight received him, when the forty days were
o'er, shall our hearts forget his promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of angels, and on earth our
food, our stay. Alleluia! Here the sinful come to
you from day to day. Intercessor, friend of
sinners, earth's redeemer, plead for me, where
the songs of all the sinless sweep across the
crystal sea.

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