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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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SUNDAY MASSES 9 am, 11 am, 4.30 pm & 7 pm

WEEKDAYS Monday to Friday 7.00 am & 12.15 pm

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

**Cathedral Closing time: 6pm (Winter),
7pm (Summer), outside of Mass times**

REGULAR PRAYER GROUPS & ACTIVITIES

WCCM Christian Meditation Group (Monday)

5.00-6.00 pm, St Peter Chanel Chapel.

Daily Rosary

after 7 am Mass in the Cathedral, Saturdays
& Public Holidays after the 8.30 am Mass

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.

Legion of Mary (Saturday)

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

CATHEDRAL OFFICE

Tuesday to Friday 9 am – 3 pm

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Wilson Car Park – Durham Lane (City Centre): Validated rate is now \$3. Validate your parking ticket inside the Cathedral, to the left of the main doors. Wait for the red light, then remove your ticket. Pay at the machine when you return to Durham Lane.

28th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

11th October 2026

This week's readings:

1st Reading Isaiah 25:6-10

Psalm: 22

2nd Reading Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel Matthew 22:1-14

Next Sunday 18th October 2026

29th SUN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

Psalm: 95:1, 3-5, 7-10

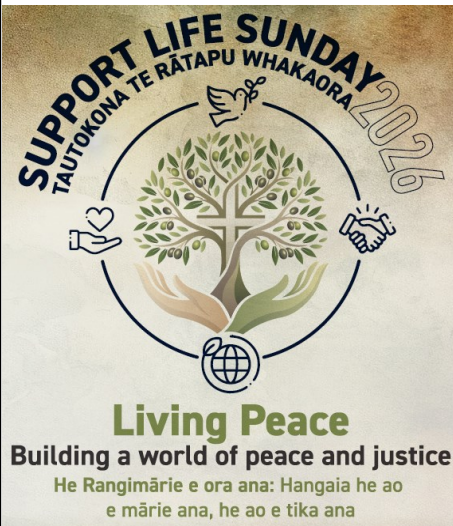
2nd Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

Gospel Matthew 22:15-21

SUPPORT LIFE SUNDAY 2026: LIVING PEACE

This year's theme, *Living Peace*, invites us to reflect on how we can promote a culture of life through prayer, compassion, and action. Resources, including liturgical suggestions and homily notes, are available

online. [Support Life Sunday 2026 - New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference](https://www.nzcbc.org.nz/support-life-sunday-2026)

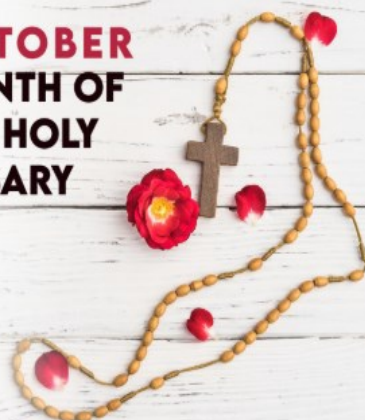


Living Peace

Building a world of peace and justice

He Rangimārie e ora ana: Hangaia he ao
e mārīe ana, he ao e tika ana

OCTOBER MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY



Notices



PARKING REMINDER

Auckland Transport will be ticketing vehicles parked where parking is not permitted in the St Patrick's Square. Please note, only the 4 spaces on either side of the Cathedral entrance will be available for elderly and those with disabilities.

RELOCATION OF OFFICE

Our Cathedral Office is now located at **43 Wyndham St, in the Presbytery**. Please use the Wyndham Street steps entrance if you need to visit the office.

RITE OF WELCOME

We welcome our OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) group as they were formally presented to our Cathedral community, together with their sponsors at the 4.30pm Mass this Sunday. The Rite of Welcome marks an important step in their journey of faith as our candidates and catechumens continue preparing to receive the Sacraments of Initiation. We warmly welcome them into our community and give thanks for the faith and courage they bring to this journey. Please keep our OCIA group and their sponsors in your prayers as they continue their preparation towards receiving the Sacraments and being confirmed at Easter next year.



BISHOPS' ELECTION STATEMENT

The New Zealand bishops have published their statement for the 2026 General Election. Titled *Discerning our nation's future through a Gospel lens*, the document encourages Catholics and people of good will to consider voting as a moral and civic responsibility, not just a matter of personal preference. The bishops invite people to consider how they will cast their votes by reviewing candidates' and parties' positions across a range of key issues, and they also encourage people to pray for the country.

Access the election statement at:

<https://bit.ly/NZCBC Election26>

LISTON HALL CLEAR OUT THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who supported our Liston House clear-out. We are grateful for all the help, donations and generosity shown. The funds raised will support our young people on the WYD Korea 2027 pilgrimage, while the remaining items have been donated to Goodwill.

THE NICENE CREED

*I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not
made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he
came down from heaven, (All bow)
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
Pilate, he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day in
accordance with the Scriptures. He
ascended into heaven and is seated at the
right hand of the Father. He will come again
in glory to judge the living and the dead and
his kingdom will have no end.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life, who proceeds from the
Father and the Son, who with the Father
and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic
Church. I confess one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins and I look forward to
the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

This week, we would like to acknowledge **Shehari**, our Finance Volunteer. After migrating to New Zealand earlier this year, Shehari was looking for an opportunity to gain experience. Shehari assists with our financial recording. We are truly grateful for her time, commitment, and service.

Thank you, Shehari!

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

It is usual for practising Catholics to receive communion. As the minister says, "The Body of Christ," please respond clearly with "Amen." Those who are not practicing Catholics or of another faith, you are very welcome here at St Patricks. We invite to come forward for a blessing. Please indicate this to the minister by **crossing your arms over your chest**.

Thank you for celebrating this sacred gift with reverence.



Order of Service - Mass Setting of Douglas Mews

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~ YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE HYMNS IS MOST WARMLY WELCOMED ~

GATHER US IN

Marty Haugen

Here in this place, new light is streaming,
Now is the darkness vanished away;
See in this space, our fears and our dreamings,
Brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
Gather us in, the blind and the lame;
Call to us now, and we shall awaken,
We shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a mystery;
We are the old who yearn for your face;
We have been sung throughout all of history;
Called to be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,
Gather us in, the proud and the strong;
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
Give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water,
Here we will take the bread of new birth,
Here you shall call

your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
Give us to eat the bread that is you;
Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
Lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

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LORD HAVE MERCY

Douglas Mews

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

GLORIA

Douglas Mews

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

Aaron Thompson

**Response (ALL): I shall live in the house of the
Lord, all the days of my life.**

**I shall live in the house of the Lord,
all the days of my life.**

*Cantor: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not
want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul. -R*

*Cantor: He guides me in right paths for his
name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark
valley, I fear no evil; for you are at my side.
With your rod and your staff
that give me courage. -R*

*Cantor: You spread the table before me in the
sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.*

*Cantor: Only goodness and kindness follow me
all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the
house of the Lord for years to come. -R*

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CELTIC ALLELUIA

Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Father we praise you as Lord,
All of the earth gives you worship.
For your majesty, fills the heavens,
Fills the earth.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia.

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INSTRUMENTAL (Offertory)

HOLY HOLY

Douglas Mews

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

Douglas Mews

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

GREAT AMEN

Douglas Mews

Amen, amen, amen!

LAMB OF GOD

Douglas Mews

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.

NOW WE REMAIN

D.H.

**Refrain: We Hold the death of the Lord,
Deep in our hearts. Living, now we remain
With Jesus, the Christ.**

Once we were people afraid, lost in the night.
Then by your cross we were saved;
Dead became living, life from your giving. -R

Something which we have known,
Something we've touched.

What we have seen with our eyes;
This we have heard; life giving word. -R

He chose to give of himself, became our bread.
Broken, that we might live.

Love beyond love, pain for our pain. -R

We are the presence of God; this is our call.
Now to become bread and wine;
Food for the hungry, life for the weary.

For to live with the Lord,
We must die with the Lord. -R

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GO NOW, YOU ARE SENT FORTH

Leo R. Watt

Go now, you are sent forth.
To live what you proclaim;
To show the world you follow Christ
In fact, not just in name.

Go now, you are sent forth.
To walk this troubled earth,
To share your faith with ev'ry one
And prove your real worth.

Go now, you are sent forth.
As God's ambassador;
By serving God in those we meet,
We show our love evermore.

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To live what you proclaim;
To show the world you follow Christ
In fact, not just in name.

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