



The WORD This Week

This is traditionally known as Good Shepherd Sunday, and is part of the continuing journey of Easter – remember that Jesus is the Good Shepherd who both gives his life for his sheep and takes it up again. His relationship with us, after the resurrection, is closer than we can imagine: through his dying and rising, Jesus fulfils the promise he makes in today's Gospel: I give them eternal life, and they will never be lost. This Sunday is another opportunity for us to consider the consequences of the Resurrection how we live the Easter Story.

An Easter Prayer

“No one can take them out of my hand.”

Good Shepherd,
let us hear you
in the beauty of our world,
in your poor,
and in one another,
on the rocky and
rough roads we travel.

Please pick us up
when our legs can walk no more.
Pull us from the brambles
that snarl us:
climate, racism, divisions,
Ukrainian suffering.

Carry all our brothers and
sisters to safety.
Good Shepherd,
hold us close, in your arms.

Speak to our hearts.

Anne Osdieck

EASTER SPIRITUALITY Our Hope and Strength

The risen Christ is our shepherd. “We are his people: the sheep of his flock.” He gives us eternal life, and we shall never perish. The risen Christ is “a light to the nations,” so that all people everywhere are renewed by the Easter event.

The poor, the hungry and the homeless stand in the presence of the risen Christ: “he will lead them to springs of life-giving water, and God will wipe every tear from their eyes.” Abused children and the neglected elderly stand before the risen Christ: “he will lead them to springs of life-giving water, and God will wipe every tear from their eyes.”

The victims of war and torture, the masses of uprooted refugees, and the despised people of the world stand before the risen Christ: “he will lead them to springs of life-giving water, and God will wipe every tear from their eyes.”

We walk in the valley of darkness, but we fear no evil, for we follow in faith the call of the shepherd, who was “sent for our hope and strength.” *Gerald Darrig / www.liturgy.slu.edu*



*The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God
is the heart of a mother.*

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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



DOVE FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN

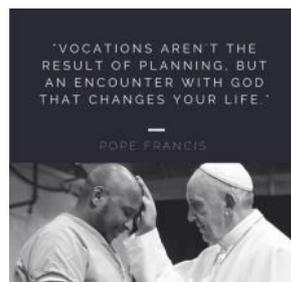
will meet on 18 May at 7.30pm in
St Thomas More hall.

Topic: **BE HIS LIGHT**
Scripture: **2 Cor. 4:5-6**
Speaker: **JUDY OLSEN**

**COME, MEET AND FELLOWSHIP with WOMEN
from the North Shore.**

Please wear a mask.

For info please contact Sylvia 021 088 22990



Second Collection this Sunday 8 May 2022

The money collected helps
towards the fees for our
Auckland Seminarians / students
studying for the priesthood.

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
YOUR GENEROSITY!**



Renowned speaker and
author Fr Michael
Gaitley tells the
dramatic history of
God's love and mercy
as interwoven through
the transformative
message of St Faustina,
the miraculous appear-
ance of Mary at Fatima,

the witness of Maximilian Kolbe and the world-changing papacy of Pope St John Paul II. Featuring the brilliant cinematic artistry of the Augustine Institute's film studio, the vast panorama of God's work of mercy in the world unfolds as a story to be experienced.

How do parishioners register for an account?

Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:

1. Go to formed.org/signup
2. Select your parish by typing in **0629** & select **St Thomas More, 336 Wairau Road, Auckland**
3. Register with **your name** and **email address**.
4. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED

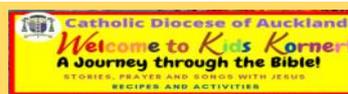
FORMED
FAITH AT HOME



St Vincent de Paul Glenfield

- our cupboard is now full again.

*Thank you to everyone who donated
food and essentials to our food bank.*



Kids Korner: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/>

FOURTH-SUNDAY-of-EASTER.pdf

Parent Ponderings: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Daughter-pays-tribute-to-her-mom.pdf>

THE WORD OF GOD

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sunday

Acts 13:14, 43-52
Apocalypse 7:9, 14-17
John 10:27-30
Good Shepherd Sunday

Monday

Acts 11:1-18
John 10:11-18

Tuesday

Acts 11:19-26
John 10:22-30

Wednesday

Acts 12:24-13:5
John 12:44-50

Thursday

Acts 13:13-25
John 13:16-20

FRIDAY

Acts 13:26-33
John 14:1-6
Our Lady of Fatima

Saturday

Acts 1:15-17
John 15:9-17
St Matthias, Apostle



Open Evening and Tours at Carmel College

Open Evening has been scheduled at Carmel College on 26 May along with daytime tours during Term 2 – 30 May to 2 June.
Open Evening, Thursday 26 May 4-4.30pm in college hall - presentation by staff and students.
4.30-5.30pm - tours of the school. The college is asking participants to wear masks while attending this event.
Daytime Tours, Monday 30 May to Thursday 2 June
Timing of the tours will be 9-9.30am and 1.45-2.30pm.
The tours will be led by student leaders, are aimed at prospective students and their families and would be helpful to those who have already made the decision to enrol at Carmel College for 2023 and those who are yet to decide. Book a tour will be posted on website by 12 May. Please see the Carmel College Enrolment Link on www.carmel.school.nz for further details.

PROLIFE FACTS

Christians can expect to see widespread and sustained protests in the United States, following the deliberate leak that the US Supreme Court will probably vote to overturn Roe vs Wade. Roe vs Wade refers to the ruling of the Supreme Court in the United States in 1973 that made abortion freely available for any reason up to birth across the United States. In June or July, the majority of the Supreme Court is expected to vote to return the regulation of abortion back to the States. Some Christian commentators believe that the unprecedented leak is part of a strategy to stir up such hostile protest from abortion-rights activists, that some Supreme Court Justices will be intimidated to withdraw their support for the overturning of Roe vs Wade. Pro-life Christians in the USA will be praying that those key Justices will hold firm and not waver in the face of media and activist hostility.

More pro-life info, visit voiceforlife.org.nz

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The national Catholic newspaper May 9 - 21, 2022 • No. 936

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Voice of Church retires



Dame Lyndsay calls it a day - pg 4
"PUBLICATION OF THE YEAR" - ARPA AWARDS 2020

NZ Catholic providing, free of charge, a digital link to the latest issue.

<https://indd.adobe.com/view/a7fa5f65-1699-44e7-9334-9dd35f940bc1>

Please pray for our sick parishioners & their families

Peter Marshall, Cathy Sigley
Tamar Mathews, Israel Nathan,
Eloise McFadden,
Mark Delaurier
Troy Angelo Madrigal
Mary Anne Clark
Contact Parish office for changes.

Baptism Preparation Courses

12 June & 3 July 2022

To book phone/email parish office. Ph: 444 8624 or office@stthomasmore.org.nz

Holy Cross Seminary

www.holycross.org.nz

Te Kupenga – Catholic Leadership Institute

advises that **Semester 2** enrolment for the **Bachelor of Divinity** and the **Graduate Diploma in Theology** programmes (both Level 7 qualification) start on 2 May.
Graduate Diploma In Theology: <https://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/.../our-programmes/grad-dip-th/>
Bachelor of Divinity: <https://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/.../our.../bachelor-of-divinity/>

Maria Assumpta Parish in Beach Haven, Auckland

is celebrating its Golden Jubilee over Labour Weekend. 22-24 October, 2022.
Register your interest and get updated details from email: patlythe@gmail.com or Ph 09 4839903 or text 027 344 1663.
We'd love to hear from you.

TITIPOUNAMU Study & Joy

Mary – Our Inspiration with Kieran Fenn fms. Friday, 20 May, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.
St Paul – The first Missionary with Kieran Fenn fms. Mondays, 13 -27 June, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.
\$25/session or \$50/series.
For more information and registration: www.studyjoy.nz

Sincere condolences to Margaret Smy whose sister Hazel Blackhurst died on 1 May 2022.
Hazel was our parish secretary 1999 to 2005.

Iconography workshops

- Writing the gospel in line & colour
Weekends or Evenings.
Register online now www.sacredart.co.nz

News from the Diocese.



The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity runs from 30 May – 5 June. Please join with us to celebrate together at this year's Ecumenical Prayer Service on Sunday 12 June 2022, 6:30pm. 15 Culperry Road, Glendene. Host: St Peter's Syrian Orthodox Church. Refreshments after service. Email pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz for further details..



Each year after Easter the bishop celebrates the **Mass of the Neophytes**. This mass of welcome to new Catholics is a time for all those who were baptised or received into the Church to gather at the Cathedral for the bishop to welcome them to the family and to recognise that we are a Church across parish boundaries. This year the Mass of Welcome will be celebrated by Bishop Steve at the Cathedral of St Patrick and St Joseph on Sunday 29 May at 4.30pm. All neophytes, their families and RCIA team members are invited to join this special occasion. RSVP numbers attending by Wednesday 18 May.

Marriage and Family Life invite you to explore life, faith and meaning through **Alpha for Couples** starting in July. Expressions of interest marriageandfamily@cda.org.nz

Bishop's Jubilee Bursary Semester 2 2022
Jubilee Bursary Contribution towards fees for Theology and RE courses at degree and post graduate level. Applications close 9 June
Contact: Michelle Jarvis michellej@cda.org.nz

Holy Cross Seminary warmly invites all clergy and parishioners to celebrate our **Founders Day Mass** with Seminary Staff and Students. Mass will be held at Sacred Heart Church, 16 Vermont Street, Ponsonby at 7pm on Monday the 9 May. Principle celebrant will be Archbishop Paul Martin sm. All are welcome to join us for a drink and light refreshments in the Parish Hall after Mass.

Do you know someone who is blind or visually impaired that would appreciate access to books on faith topics and inspiration? Perhaps you could put them in touch with the Xavier Society for the Blind that provides braille and audio books free. See their website <https://xaviersocietyfortheblind.org/>

Parish Secretary Vacancy - Glen Eden
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish is looking for a new parish secretary. The role involves general administrative tasks, managing invoices and reporting processes. This is a part-time role between 25-30 hours per week. Please submit CV & covering letter outlining your interest in this role to Darinjohnston710@gmail.com.

Catholic Education Services – Religious Education & Catholic Character Advisor Vacancy. The role is to develop, strengthen and support the leadership role of the Directors of Religious Studies & HOD's Religious Education in Catholic Schools. <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/>