



Exploring The WORD

When the Church celebrates the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, it is an attempt to summarise the whole mystery of our God into one day. This is not just a "theological feast" but a feast which should speak to us of this simple fact of faith: the Father loves us, has revealed that love in his Son, and has called into a relationship sustained by the Spirit. It is our joy that, as baptised members of the Church, we can somehow share in that divine life and love which is the Trinity ~ becoming children of God. God has chosen us, and we are his own people, just as he chose the people of Israel long ago. The mystery of the Trinity is not meant to make this more difficult - on the contrary it is to clarify and summarise all that our faith is about: that we are children - with the Son, in the power of the Spirit - of the one Father.

PRAYER THIS WEEK

"And behold, I am with you all days until the end of the age."

In the name of
the Father

(who gave us his only child),

and of
the Son

*(who gives us himself,
revealing eternal Love for us),*

and of
the Holy Spirit.

*(our constant companion now
and always):*

"We can only stand in awe-struck silence
before such love that is beyond boldest expectation,
beyond all telling.* Amen

* Last paragraph taken from Karl Rahner

GOSPEL SPIRITUALITY

Being A Person

We believe in one God: Father, Son and Spirit. There is absolute individuality within the Trinity, for we believe that the Father is neither the Son nor the Spirit, nor is the Son the Father or the Spirit, nor is the Spirit the Father or the Son. Each person is distinct from the other two; none loses his personhood within the Trinity. There is absolute equality within the Trinity. No person has something that the others lack, for each is God and each is all being. None is more God; all are absolutely equal. There is absolute unity within the Trinity. God is one; the three persons are one. Father, Son and Spirit are three distinct persons, but they are persons in one God. Ours is a Trinitarian religion. The Trinity is the source of our faith as well as the goal of our lives. We long to live for all eternity the life of the Trinity. Meanwhile, the Trinity is for us the model towards which we strive as a community: free individuals with total equality in complete unity." **Gerald Darring/liturgy.slu.edu**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Thank you to those who have submitted their names for this ministry. We are still in need of a few more volunteers to teach primary school aged children during Holy Mass at all three Sunday Masses. The teaching will be about the Sunday Gospel at children's level after the Gloria and will finish before the Offertory. All resources are available from the parish. Please contact the parish office 4448624 or office@stthomasmore.org.nz



Confirmation/First Eucharist

Sunday, 26 May 2024 at 4:30pm
in the Parish Hall.

Today's Lesson: Holy Eucharist/Mass—
Transubstantiation



Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship North Shore

All men and their friends are invited to the meeting. It will be a time of learning, sharing, praying and fellowship.

Date/time: Wed 29 May 2024 7.30pm

Venue: Parish Hall, St Thomas More Church, 336 Wairau Road, Glenfield.

Topic: Hospital Chaplaincy: A Healing Presence .

Guest speaker: Jim Gribble

Jim is a long time respected member of Joshua Fellowship and has been involved in Hospital Chaplaincy. The role extends beyond religious rituals; they offer solace, guidance, and a listening ear during some of life's most challenging moments.

For more information contact: Russell 022 034 5678

CANOPY & CARPARK FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE

Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of the Parish Works & Finance Committee, thank you very much for your enthusiastic and generous response so far, as the Parish embarks on a long and costly journey of necessary renewal and improvement. This will help to keep this sacred site, a safe and fit-for-purpose place of worship.

Fr Pio and the Committee are committed to ensuring that every Parishioner enjoys a fulfilling experience, which includes maintaining and improving our site to a safe standard.

We are at the start of a long journey, that will take several months to complete the First Phase of this upgrade. By the end of this year, we hope to have raised enough funds and completed the improvements on our Carpark and Main Entrance, – part of the welcoming face of our Parish.

You will soon start to see a dedicated EFTPOS Machine inside the Church, have Special Collections and see continual reminder notices. We will of course keep you up to date on progress, as the year unfolds and our fundraising goals are nearing completion.

NEW!! We are excited to announce that **02-0108-0708668-003 GLENFIELD FUNDRAISIN** is our new dedicated bank account for Fundraising.

Again, our thanks for your faithful and generous support moving forward.



THE WORD OF GOD

Trinity Sunday

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

Romans 8:14-17

Matthew 28:16-20

Monday

1 Peter 1:3-9

Mark 10:17-27

Tuesday

1 Peter 1:10-16

Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday

1 Peter 1:18-25

Mark 10:32-45

Thursday

1 Peter 2:2-5, 9-12

Mark 10: 46-52

Friday

Zephaniah 3:14-18

Luke 1:39-56

The Visitation of the BVM

Saturday

Jude 17:20-25

Mark 11: 27-33

Parish Working Bee

Are you available to help with Light maintenance in and around the church?



We are in need of Carpenters, Builders & Handymen & women to assist with this on **Saturday, 8 June 2024 from 10am** after morning Mass.

We appreciate and thank you for your support.

PARISH ONLINE REGISTRATION!

Thank you to the families who have already registered. Parishioners can be assured that your information remains confidential. If you have not registered, please log on to www.glenfieldcatholic.org.nz. Having issues registering online - please feel free to contact the Parish Office and make an appointment with Trevlyn to update the information for you. Thank you

Eftpos is available every 4th Sunday of the month for SVDP collection.

We thank you for your generous contribution.

PROLIFE FACTS

The annual March for Life in Wellington is scheduled this year for Saturday, December 7th. March for Life is a joint venture between prolife groups including Voice for Life, Right to Life, Family Life International, Family First, and Focus on the Family, and it has the support of the NZ Christian Network and the NZ Catholic Bishops, as well as Assembly of God churches. The March for Life is an opportunity for all pro-life New Zealanders to show our opposition to abortion, and people arrive in buses, vans, cars and fly in from all over the country to participate. March for Life marchers are a visible reminder that there are many Kiwis who care for unborn babies, pregnant mothers, and families. **For more pro-life information visit Voice for Life at www.voiceforlife.org.nz**

TITIPOUNAMU Study & Joy

Bible Stories - What do they mean?

Join us in unravelling Bible stories and looking for answers within a group, and with Bible Scholar Kieran Fenn fms. Sundays, 04 Feb, 03 Mar, 07 Apr, 05 May 2024, 5-6pm (Zoom). Koha <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2024/01/19/bible-stories-what-do-they-mean/>

The Mystery of Miracles

Mondays, 08/15/22/29 April 2024, 7-8.30pm
\$25/session or \$80/series, incl. study material.
<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2024/01/11/the-mystery-of-miracles/>

For more information: www.studyjoy.nz

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Kids Corner: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/Celebrating-the-BODY-and-BLOOD-of-CHRIST.pdf>

Parents pondering: The PENCIL
<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/The-pencil-1.pdf>

Please **DO NOT double park** in the main carpark and block access for drop-offs and emergency vehicles. Also please **DO NOT** park along ST Thomas More Lane - the residents are inconvenienced by the weekly congestion. **Your vehicle will be towed away.** Thank you

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

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/>

World Youth Day Auckland | Saturday 17th August 10am – 8:30pm at Victory Convention Centre 98 Beaumont St Freemans Bay. Save the date for this incredible experience! 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.

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.

Young Adults Ball | Saturday 14th September 7pm – 11pm at Muhughs of Cheltenham 46 Cheltenham Road Auckland. Back by popular demand, we are excited to bring you The Young Adults Ball 2024! The theme for this year is 'Wonderland'. Early bird tickets on sale now: Go to facebook.com/AKCYM to get your ticket or email felicitym@cda.org.nz for more info.

Marriage and Family Life Ministry at the Diocese is seeking married couples of 5 years or more who would like to train as Marriage Educators to prepare engaged couples for marriage in the church. This is a very rewarding and significant role in the church. Enquiries Gerry on 021 02247442 or gerrys@cda.org.nz

Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is holding its third lecture in the series, **A Taste of Theology**. Topic 3 is entitled "What is spirituality? The answer depends on what you value". Speaker is Dr Peter Ryan, fsc. This is on Tuesday, 04 June 2024 from 5:30-6:30pm on Zoom. For a fee of \$60 you get access to all 9 courses in this lecture series and join the remaining live sessions.
Go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/tasteoftheology to register.

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.

CDA Connect – The latest round up of what's been going on in the diocese and events to look forward to is now up. <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/services/cda-connect> or linked from the front page of the website. Enjoy.

All welcome to share in a cuppa after the 10am Mass hosted by the



Iraqi community



Baptism Preparation Courses 2024

9 June 2024

14 July 2024

4 August 2024

8 September 2024

6 October 2024

3 November 2024

Contact the parish office to book
Ph: 444 8624

Email: office@stthomasmore.org.nz

NZCatholic

The national Catholic magazine

May 19 - June 1, 2024 - No. 802

Pope calls pastors to be missionaries of synodality 10

New photos show many smiles of St Pedro Pio 10

New Bishop has NZ link



Just \$4

Please pray for our sick parishioners & their families

Michael Wecke, David McNeill, Simone Choromanski, Anselmo Salazar, Gaye Rhodes, Mary Baker, Israel Nathan, Lyn Cotter, Tamar Mathews, Mark Delaurier, Mary Anne Clark

Contact the Parish office if you wish to add names
office@stthomasmore.org.nz



Holy Cross Seminary
www.holycross.org.nz