



# St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

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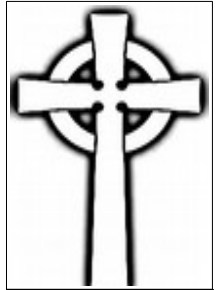
25<sup>th</sup> April 2021

*Vision / Tirohanga*

*Growing in Faith Together / Oranga i roto i te Whakapono*

*Goal / Whaingā*

*To Grow in Awareness as One Parish Family / Kokiritia te  
Oranga Kotahitanga o te Whanau Whakapono*



## Fourth Week of Easter - Anzac Day

Readings: Acts 4:8-12; Psalm: 117; John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

### Pope Francis, World Day of Prayer for Vocations, 2021

It is the joy of simplicity, the joy experienced daily by those who care for what truly matters: faithful closeness to God and to our neighbour. How good it would be if the same atmosphere, simple and radiant, sober and hopeful, were to pervade our seminaries, religious houses and presbyteries! I pray that you will experience this same joy, dear brothers and sisters who have generously made God the *dream* of your lives, *servicing him* in your brothers and sisters through a *fidelity* that is a powerful testimony in an age of ephemeral choices and emotions that bring no lasting joy. May Saint Joseph, protector of vocations, accompany you with his fatherly heart!

### Prayer for World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Holy Spirit, stir within us the passion to promote vocations to the consecrated life, societies of apostolic life, diocesan priesthood, and permanent diaconate. Inspire us daily to respond to Your call with boundless compassion, abundant generosity, and radical availability. Help us to remember our own baptismal call to rouse us to invite the next generation to hear and respond to Your call. Inspire parents, families, and lay ecclesial ministers to begin a conversation with young Catholics to consider how they will live lives of holiness and sacred service. Nudge inquirers and motivate discerners to learn more about monastic life, apostolic life, missionaries, cloistered contemplative life, and evangelical Franciscan life. Ignite our Church with the confident humility that there is an urgent need for religious sisters, brothers, deacons, and priests to live in solidarity with those who are poor, neglected, and marginalized. Disrupt our comfortable lives and complacent attitudes with new ideas to respond courageously and creatively with a daily 'YES!' Amen.

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**Today, Vocations Sunday**, all the baptised renew their commitment to creating a Vocational Environment in our parish where we help young(ish) men to seriously consider a call to serve God as diocesan priests. Thank you to all who are active in promoting diocesan priesthood as a fulfilling, God-centred life of service.

**Joanne Ah Kiau**, wife of Laurie, mother of Evan, Joel and Laura died after a short battle with cancer last Saturday. Her Requiem was celebrated here last Thursday. "Eternal Rest Grant to her"..."

**The Statue of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception** is available for visits to any Parishioners. The statue can be kept for a minimum of 1 day and a maximum of 7 days. Please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer.

**We encourage friends** who are new to the parish to **REGISTER** to be members of our parish family. We are delighted to welcome new parishioners so do make yourselves known.

**Bequest to St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish, Avondale** Your generosity helps the Parish in caring for and serving our community and maintaining our Church property. Consider making a bequest to St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish, Avondale, in your will.

**The Catholic Diocese of Auckland Commission for Ecumenism** is hosting a public lecture on Ecumenism, celebrating 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pope John Paul II letter on "Ut Unum Sint (That They May All Be One)" by Dr Sarah Hart, theologian and lecturer. Tuesday **27<sup>th</sup> April 2021 @7:00 PM** St Therese Catholic Church, 10 Wickman Way, Mangere |

**Anzac Day Remembering** provides us an opportunity to honour, reflect, and remember all the the men and women who carried humanity through the darkest days of the 20th century. The "Cleary Room" in the Diocesan Centre, Ponsonby is named after the Bishop of Auckland Henry Cleary (1910 - 1928) who served in the front lines of WWI. Under threat of enemy fire, Bishop Cleary would crawl out to pray a "De Profundis" over the bodies - a psalm which normally forms part of the prayers for the dead. When his wooden crucifix was damaged in the trenches the kiwi soldiers made a new crucifix from rifle bullet cartridges

**Joshua Meeting: Wed 28 April 2021**  
7.30-9.30pm Venue: St Joseph Centre, Takapuna Topic: Life is full of choices .. choose wisely Speaker: Jim Gribble . We look forward to seeing you there. To know more contact Russell 022 034 5678.

**Sisters of Mercy Centenary Celebration Epsom.** As part of this year's centennial celebrations of the Parish and School, the Sisters of Mercy invite parishioners, students and parents to join with them after 10am Mass on Sunday **2 May 2021**, on the anniversary of the Sisters of Mercy moving into the house at 104 The Drive, Epsom to start the school. Registrations are open <https://epsomcatholic.org.nz/centennial/> on the Our Lady of the Sacred Heart parish website

**Bishops' Forum** Bishop Pat and Bishop Michael invite you to join them for their 2021 Forum on Tuesday **11 May** 7:30-9:30pm at the Christ the King Parish, Owairaka. All Welcome.

**happy birthday**  
lots of hugs for you!

**Happy Birthday to these Senior Parishioners in the month of May**

**4 Lemalu Tariu**  
**8 Mary Healy**

**5 Marysia Jaskiewicz**  
**14 Ruth Piedade**



**Divine Mercy Devotion & Mass** on Friday **7th May** 7:00pm St Mary's Church, 20 Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy, Sung, Benediction, Mass.

**Training day May 8th: All welcome.** Teaching/activities on Anointed Praise and Worship and Prayer Ministry. BYO lunch, bible and pen. No registration, collection taken up. 9.30am-3pm at Sacred Heart Church, 16 Vermont St, Ponsonby. Organised by Auckland charismatic prayer group network. Contact Deidre 021 02251103

**Mass of the Neophytes** will be celebrated Saturday **22 May** at the Cathedral of St Patrick and St Joseph at 5.30pm. It is the vigil Mass of Pentecost. This is a particularly significant celebration not only for those newly baptised and received into the church but for everyone. We were unable to gather for the Rite of Election this year due to lockdown.

**Pope Francis affirms to the "irrevocable" commitment of the Church** in promoting unity among Christian Churches. Bishop Pat is hosting 8 Churches uniting in One House, under One Faith through One Baptism in the One Lord of All to an Ecumenical Prayer Service to be held at Christ The King Catholic Church on Tuesday **25th May** 2021 @7:30PM. You are all invited to attend and to participate in this years' Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The service will also be live streaming on SHINE TV and on the various Churches Social Media.

**Jubilee Bursary Applications Invited for Semester 2, 2021.** Applicants must be Catholic and contributing to the mission of the Catholic Church in the Auckland Diocese. The bursary is a contribution toward fees for Theology and RE courses at degree and post grad level. Applications close Thursday, **10 June 2021.** Contact: Michelle Jarvis [michellej@cda.org.nz](mailto:michellej@cda.org.nz). Ph:(09)360-3091

**There are slaves in New Zealand.** People treated and paid poorly their very human dignity ignored. Please consider helping to petition the government to inact laws that cherish the rights of all people and make it illegal to abuse people under any circumstances. Please support it by signing <https://www.signforfreedom.nz>.

### **Diocesan Job Vacancy**

Credit Controller & Administration - Pompallier Center. This full time role is to provide credit control and administration support to the Revenue Manager for the collection of Attendance Dues for schools in the Auckland Diocese. Hours are flexible to incorporate some evening and Saturday morning work. Key Tasks include: Collection of compulsory school Attendance Dues; contact with school parents via outbound phone calls; follow up of unpaid accounts and Debtor ledger management. To view the full advert, and to apply, please visit our website [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz) under Diocesan Services and Staff Vacancies

### **Support Worker Needed**

A reliable, respectful, and kind Support Worker required for a young disabled autistic woman. Monday to Friday, 7.30am to 4.30pm. A full driver's licence is essential. Expressions of Interest, please call 021 044 8362 or email [vtgaherne@hotmail.com](mailto:vtgaherne@hotmail.com)

## *Dates for your Diary*

Sat, 1 May	Church Cleaning Roster: St. Mary's Avondale Youth
Sat, 1 May	Church Flower Roster: Tongan Community
Mon, 3 May	St. Mary's School Term 2 starts
Tue, 4 May	SMACC Committee Meeting, Parish Office Meeting Room, 7pm
Sun, 9 May	Mother's Day
Sun, 16 May	Centennial Cultural Food and Festival Te Whau Hall 11:30am
Tue, 18 May	Liturgy Committee Meeting, Parish Office Meeting Room, 7pm
Fri, 28 May	Finance Committee Meeting, Parish Office Meeting Room, 7pm

## Coming Sunday, Fifth Week of Easter

Readings: Acts 9:26-31; Psalm: 21; John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

	Sunday, 8:30 am	Sunday, 10:30 am	Sunday, 6 pm
<b>Commentator</b>	Fotu Hogleund	Maria Tuima	Don Perera
<b>Word</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Kalolaine Funaki 2 <sup>nd</sup> Susan Healy	1 <sup>st</sup> Soane Tai 2 <sup>nd</sup> Loutoa Tuima	1 <sup>st</sup> Demelza Colaco 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cynthia Paul
<b>Holy Communion</b>	Paula Betham Marie Child Liston Colaco Colleen Lewis Jarrod Peauvasa Mary Sherwood Maselina Suisala	Fololina A'Costa Florinda Cole Teresita Minerva Down Victoria Jessop Kristaleeliyana Joseph Ausage Lata Faasavalu Leavai	Marinquinha Colaco Nino Imperial Elaine D'Mello

## St. Mary's Avondale Community Centre **SMACC**



*'Celebrating Communities'*

For all those giving for SMACC thank you for your continued support.

If not yet giving, would you consider making a regular payment towards SMACC Fund?

Account Number for SMACC Building Fund:  
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### MASS SCHEDULE

**Sunday:** Mass: 8.30am / 10.30am / 6.00pm

**Monday:** Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion 9am

**Tuesday – Saturday:** Mass: 9.00am

**Daily Rosary:** Mon – Sat, 8.25am; Sun, 7.45am

**Friday Adoration:** After 9 am Mass to 10:30 am

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturday: after 9 am Mass, (other times by appointment)