




<p style="text-align: center;">THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 19 April 2026</p>	<p>BUILDING FUND UPDATE loan balance is \$735,503.00 Thank you for supporting our 2nd Collection.</p>	<p>CASH COLLECTIONS 12 April 2026 <i>1st Collection:</i> <i>2,375.70</i> <i>2nd Collection:</i> <i>568.20</i></p>	<p>PARISHIONER REGISTRATION New to the area? Want to join the Parish. Check it out on our Parish website or scanning this QR Code.</p> 
<p>First Reading Acts 2:14, 22B-28 Responsorial Psalm Psalm 16:1-2+5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 Second Reading 1 Peter 1:17-21 GOSPEL John 24:13-35</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EXPLORING THE WORD</p> <p>The gospel reflects how easy it is to miss meaning and hope when we're overwhelmed or discouraged. The two disciples walk with Jesus without recognizing Him, showing that understanding often comes gradually, not instantly. It's only in conversation, Scripture, and the breaking of bread that their eyes are opened.</p> <p>A key insight is that Jesus meets people in their confusion, not after they've figured everything out. Their hearts "burn" as He speaks—suggesting that truth often stirs something within us before we fully comprehend it.</p> <p>Overall, the story invites trust: even when God seems absent, He may be closer than we realize, walking alongside us and guiding us toward clarity.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 26.04. 2026 First Reading Acts 2:14a, 36b-41 Responsorial Psalms Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 Second Reading 1Peter 2:20b-25 Gospel John 10:1-10</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MASS INTENTIONS</p> <p>Recent Death: Sharlene, Sarah Clark, Paz 'Nene' Santiago, Repose of Soul/Anniversaries of Death: Jesusena Lopez (16th), Lino, Rosario Lee, Jane Smith (2nd), Celso Sar Abrau, For the Sick: Evelyn dela Cruz, Lilian Yee, Angelina dela Cruz, Blake Wong Ling, Sofia Herradura, Sigrid Alegre, Ann Hoare, Brilliantito Quitiquit, Noemi Goh, and Michael Yee Intentions: Romina Banson & Pauline O'connor Wedding Anniversary: Sabu & Jane (52nd) Birthday: Scarlett (2nd)</p> 	<p>If you have a family member or friend who is sick, you may send us their names so we can pray for them. Email to assistant@flatbushcatholic.org.nz</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Bishops Seminarian Appeal 25-26 of April 2026 Weekend (Vocations Sunday)</p> <p>Good Shepherd Sunday (the fourth Sunday of Easter) is celebrated as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, focusing on ordained ministry and religious life. A second collection is often taken to fund seminarian education, promote vocations, and support priesthood training, such as the Seminarian Support Collection. Instituted by Pope Paul VI in 1963, it encourages prayers for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Funds raised typically support the training and education of seminarians.</p> <p>Envelopes are available in the foyer.</p>
<div style="text-align: center;"> <h1 style="color: #c08040;">Easter Season</h1> <p>The Easter Season is not just "the days after Easter Sunday." In the Church's liturgy, it is the prolonging of the Easter celebration for fifty days, from Easter Sunday to Pentecost, so that the whole Church learns to live the Paschal Mystery more deeply.</p> <p>In fact, the liturgy teaches that the Easter Season should be understood as "one feast day... the 'great Sunday'"—a single continuous celebration that flows from Christ's Passion, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension, and reaches its completion with the gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.</p> <p>During these weeks, the readings and prayers aim to help you experience Easter not only as an event you remember, but as life you receive. Pope Benedict XVI describes how the liturgy radiates from Easter like a "luminous center," and how faith in the risen Christ should bring about an interior "continuous resurrection" that transforms everyday living into a "paschal form."</p> <p>Practically, this means the Church keeps calling Christians to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • renew their lives by the Spirit received in the paschal celebration, • grow in faith through Scripture and preaching focused on Christ "died for our sins... and... rose..."—the central content of the Easter proclamation, • and (in a particular way) recognize Easter as the time when the Church's initiation and baptismal grace bears fruit in the community. <p>Even popular piety reflects this "sense of newness": Easter is a sign of a renewed life in Christ—expressed, for example, in blessings connected with the Easter meal and table in many Christian families.</p> <p>In short: <i>the Easter Season is the Church's school for learning to live as people of the Risen Lord—until Pentecost brings the fullness of the Spirit's mission.</i></p> </div>			

The Wisdom of the Desert

A Morning of Reflection with the Community of the sons and daughters of God

Saturday, May 9, 2026

9:00 AM Mass (followed by a talk & fellowship)
St. Luke's Church & Parish Lounge

Join us for Q&A and fellowship over morning tea with our visiting clergy:

Fr. Doroteo Bravi
Br. Massimo Chang
Fr. Silverio Monari

THIS IS A FREE EVENT AND ALL ARE WELCOME.

THE SEARCH

FINDING THE MEANING OF LIFE

An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

23 APRIL - 4 JUNE 2026

Thursday evening, 6:30-8:30PM
St Luke's Lounge

SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP
Sunday, 3rd May 12:15PM

St Benedict Parish
(Filipino Community)
1 St Benedict Street, Newton

ANZAC DAY

Holy Mass
25 April 2026
Saturday

9:00AM
St Luke's Catholic Parish
- Flat Bush

Cuppa after the Mass.
Please bring a plate.

Note: There will be no reconciliation on this day.

a national day of remembrance in Australia and New Zealand commemorating all who served and died in military operations. It marks the 1915 Gallipoli landing, the first major action of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps (ANZAC) during WWI. The day features dawn services and parades to honor fallen soldiers.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

SATURDAY
25 April 2026, 7:30AM

10-11 Bishop Durrin Place, Flat Bush, Auckland 2012

Catholic Diocese of Auckland ANNOUNCEMENT

Auckland Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group Network

Everyone is invited to a 7 week Seminar, The Holy Spirit-our Helper.

Tuesday evenings, Sacred Heart Hall, Ponsonby, 7.30pm, with cuppa from 7.15pm. Starts April 21st. No charge.

Register at

<https://forms.gle/pDameRsdUYnhrbb7A>

For more info email
aucklandccr@gmail.com

Chevalier Cyril John

CHARIS INTERNATIONAL INTERCESSION COMMISSION

Cyril will be in NZ for two days.
Teaching and Training on
Prophetic Intercession

Date 11th and 12th May 2026
Times Monday 11th: 6 pm to 9 pm
Tuesday 12th: 10 am to 9:30 pm

Venue Christ the King Church
Mt Roskill
Auckland

Amazing opportunity for all.

For enquiries contact Vanessa Nathan
021 143 3703 or email
maranatha.jvz@gmail.com

Registration \$20.00

FRANCISCVS
THE GRADUATE CHOIR NEW ZEALAND
Terence Maskell
Elizabeth Mandeno soprano Philip Smith organ

A Recital to Commemorate the Papacy of Pope Francis

21 April 2026 7:30pm
St Michael's Church, Remuera

Featuring Rutter's Requiem and music by Howells, Poulenc, Harris, Durufle and Artley

TICKETS \$30-40
Go to Ricket.co.nz
0508 776677

Mass of The Neophytes

Bishop Steve invites all those who will be initiated into the Church at Easter, 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 give thanks for the gift of faith and share with Bishop Steve in the celebration of the Eucharist.

Rise up and Shine Festival

Taste the World, Celebrate the Culture! **30th of May, 2026.** Starts at 10am with Thanks giving Mass. Followed by Social Entertainment until 3pm. Music, Zumba, Food stalls and Cultural Show. Join us at the Migrant Chaplaincy Rise Up & Shine Festival, where every bite tells a story and every dance spark joy.

Vacancy – Head of Pastoral Services - Catholic Diocese of Auckland

The Catholic Diocese of Auckland is seeking a committed, faith-filled leader to support the Bishop's pastoral mission and provide strategic leadership across diocesan pastoral ministries. The role works closely with parishes and communities to strengthen evangelisation, formation, and pastoral life.

Applicants must demonstrate a strong Catholic faith, senior pastoral leadership experience, and strategic capability.

Full details and application information available via the Diocesan website - www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz, under Diocesan Services and staff vacancies.

Applications close 30 April 2026

Vacancy - Reshaping Facilitator – Catholic Diocese of Auckland

The Diocese seeks a mission-focused Reshaping Facilitator to support parishes on the reshaping journey. This role will equip parishes with resources, facilitation, and professional support. This is a three 3-year fixed term role, full-time or two part-time roles considered.

For full details and to view the position description, please visit our website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz, under Diocesan Services and staff vacancies.

Applications close 24 April 2026.

Diocesan Youth Mass Last Sunday of each month 4:30pm

February - November

At St Patrick's Cathedral,
43 Wyndham Street, Auckland

For more info contact the
Auckland Catholic Youth Ministry Team:
youthmin@cda.org.nz