

# EASTERN BAYS PASTORAL AREA



St Joseph's  
Orakei

St Ignatius  
St Heliers

Mother of Perpetual Help  
Glendowie

## ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

14<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2026

Kia Ora koutou katoa, nga mihi nui...

A special welcome to visitors and newcomers to our parishes this weekend.

As we gather for the Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Gospel reminds us that Jesus looked upon the crowds with compassion, "because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd." He then commissioned his disciples, sending them out to proclaim the Good News and to serve God's people with generosity and hope.

These words speak directly to our own time. We too are called to be missionary disciples, attentive to the needs of those around us and open to the ways the Holy Spirit is leading our communities into the future.

Over the past year, Bishop Steve has invited the six parishes of our region to engage in '**Reshaping Our Future**' – a process of prayerful discernment about how we can continue Christ's mission in East Auckland. Together we are reflecting on how we can strengthen participation, foster vibrant communities of faith, and respond creatively to the changing

realities facing our Church. This journey challenges us to move beyond familiar ways of working and to embrace collaboration, shared responsibility, and renewed missionary purpose.

In **today's Gospel**, Jesus says, "The harvest is rich but the labourers are few." The mission entrusted to the disciples belongs to all the baptised. Each of us has gifts, insights, and experiences that can contribute to the life and future of our parishes.

For this reason, I warmly encourage you to attend the **Reshaping Our Future** gathering this Sunday afternoon at St Pius Parish Hall, Castledine Cres, Glen Innes. It will be an opportunity to pray together, to listen to one another, and to discern how God is calling us forward as one Church. Your presence matters, and your voice is important in this conversation.

May the Lord who calls and sends us, renew our confidence in his guidance. Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, may we continue to walk together in faith, hope, and love, trusting in the future God is preparing for us.

*Blessings Bernard*

## Today's Readings

### First Reading

Exodus 19:2-6

God has shown his love for the Israelites by choosing them to be his very own people.

They must respond in kind.

### Second Reading

Romans 5:6-11

God showed his great love for us by the fact that Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

### Gospel

Matthew 9:36-10:8

Here we see the compassion Jesus had for the ordinary people in their sufferings.

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

Matthew 9:36



*Holy Trinity,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
draw us deeper into Your love.  
Teach us to live in unity,  
to serve with compassion,  
and to reflect Your peace  
in all we do.  
May Your presence guide us  
today and always.  
Amen*

## **EAST AUCKLAND AREA Reshaping our Future**

On **Sunday 14 June, from 2-5pm** at  
St Pius X Parish Hall,

101 Castledine Cres, Glen Innes.

You are invited to attend a series of conversations as we embark on a journey of reflection and renewal called *Reshaping*.

## **Pastoral Area Ministry Formation**

June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7.00pm for those involved from our THREE parishes in the two ministries below.

**Ministers of the Word** (Readers) please meet at MPH

**Ministers of Eucharist** please meet at St Ignatius

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## **Scripture Study Group**

This Scripture group is lead by parishioner Claire Ryan, and meets every first Thursday of the month at St Ignatius Parish Centre from 7.30pm. All welcome.

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## **St Joseph's, Mother of Perpetual Help and St Ignatius Key Register**

If you hold keys to MOPH, St Joseph's or St Ignatius, please email Shona at [office@easternbayscatholic.org.nz](mailto:office@easternbayscatholic.org.nz)

Thank you to those who have responded.

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## **Wings.Nga Parirua, the Catholic Faith Formation Programme**

The **hospitality at the heart of Wings Faith Formation Programme** gives space and time for people to come together, to become familiar with Jesus' teaching in the Gospels. Please come and join us...

**The programme will be held on Thursday evenings as follows:**

**4 June; 9 July; 6 August;**

**3 September; 1 October; 5 November**  
**MPH Parish Centre – 7.00 -8.30pm.**

For more information please contact:  
Dianna Fouhy, [diannaf@cda.org.nz](mailto:diannaf@cda.org.nz)

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## **Monte Cecilia Housing Trust Annual Winter Woollies Appeal**

Monte Cecilia Housing Trust requests your support for our families in need, especially new warm Clothing and Blankets.

You can help, please bring your donations to our main office: 30 Windrush Close, Mangere, Auckland Mon – Fri 9am-4pm

Financial contributions may be made Monte Cecilia's website. Your generosity can make a big difference in the lives of the families we support

## **YOUTH HAPPENINGS...**

### **Pastoral Area Youth Group**

**We have a date for our first gathering!**

21<sup>st</sup> June - Mass at St Joseph's at 5.00pm  
Followed by Prayer and Pizza.

Come along and help get our Youth Group off the ground and ready to engage in the Diocesan World Youth Day celebrations at Victory Convention Centre on 1<sup>st</sup> August.

For more information contact Bob at [seminarian@easternbayscatholic.org.nz](mailto:seminarian@easternbayscatholic.org.nz)

### **World Youth Day Auckland 2026**

10:00am-8:30pm Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August

Join over 1,800 young Catholics at Victory Convention Centre for World Youth Day Auckland 2026 - a massive, joy-filled day of faith, community and WITNESS.

**For more info and to register go to:** <https://events.humanitix.com/world-youth-day-auckland-2026>

### **University Students Mass**

Every Tuesday during Term time at the MacLaurin Chapel, Princes Street, City at 12.10pm. All welcome.

### **Diocesan Youth Mass**

Last Sunday of each month 4:30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral. For more info Email [youthmin@cda.org.nz](mailto:youthmin@cda.org.nz)

## **Eastern Bays Pastoral Area Database**

We are still asking for database registrations from St Joseph's parishioners, and any MOPH and St Ignatius parishioners who are not registered on our Pastoral Area database.

to please log in to our website at [www.easternbayscatholic.org.nz](http://www.easternbayscatholic.org.nz) and open the button

'Register as a Parishioner'.

Alternatively, there are Parishioner Registration Forms in the church foyer.

**Please drop off completed forms to either MPH office or St Ignatius office or leave in the drop box at St Joseph's presbytery.**

Any queries please email Shona at [office@easternbayscatholic.org.nz](mailto:office@easternbayscatholic.org.nz)

## **University Ministry Assistant – Catholic Diocese of Auckland**

Are you looking for a role where you can make a meaningful impact in the lives of tertiary students?

We're looking for someone to become our part-time University Ministry Assistant, supporting ministry to tertiary students across six campuses.

You'll help deliver events, support student leaders, and expand the vibrant Catholic communities on campuses across the Auckland Diocese. To learn more, please visit: [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/)

## **Marriage Preparation Programme**

The Catholic Diocese of Auckland are looking for volunteers to facilitate the Marriage Preparation Programme; the training is starting soon. If you have been married for 5 years plus and feel drawn to helping engaged couples please call Gerry on 021 02247442

## **OUR COMMUNITY ...**

Experienced nanny/home help wanted.  
Practising Catholic desired.  
Please call 021 131 8327

## **Christian Care Network Eastern Bays Communities**

For assistance, please contact our confidential helpline on 09 521 5712. Donations of non-perishable goods at St Joseph's Church, or donate via CCN bank account 12-3047-0089077-01

Reference: Your name  
For tax receipts please email Maxine Priestley at [priestlyfam@xtra.co.nz](mailto:priestlyfam@xtra.co.nz)

## **PASTORAL AREA OFFICE HOURS**

### **Mother of Perpetual Help**

Mon & Wed 1.30pm – 5.30pm  
Thursday 8.30am – 12.30pm

### **St Ignatius**

Tues & Fri 8.30am – 11.30am

**Preference Enrolment forms by Appointment**

**Email:** [office@easternbayscatholic.org.nz](mailto:office@easternbayscatholic.org.nz)



## Anniversaries

**We remember those who have died recently, and whose anniversaries occur during the month of June**

*We remember those who have died recently, especially Sr Anne de Stackpool rscj, Bob O'Connor and all our departed loved ones ...*

*Maureen Curtain, Augustine Low, Ron Vaz, Dorothy Ballinger, Gerard Cheyne, Ken Freer, Ned Martiacivich, Annette Linehan, Karen McAuley, David Gaynor, Ben and Stephen Pervan, Graeme McFadyen, Jan White, Arminda Agueda Miller Pagés, Fr Sean O'Connor SSC, Bradley Rowley, Vincent Hall, Peter Watson, Mary Simich, Adeline Wards, Frank Dunne, Catherine Burke, Patricia Shilton, Alison Tapper, Lanette Smith, Marie Savy, Stephen O'Donoghue, Daniel Sloan, Elizabeth Lavelle, Marie Quesnel, Metuisela Tauaika, Colleen Flynn, Brian Truscott, Vincent Hall, Jason Fletcher, Leslie McNamara, Bert Dally, Mary Gebbie, Martin Stapff, Dorothy Baker, Doris Lear, Bessie Wilson, Leo Moriarty, Frank Thorpy, Sister Margaret Curran, Sister Denise O'Connell, Edward Wilson, Richard Corbett, Pat Murphy, Geoffrey Morrison, Cossette Bamford, Florence Spencer, Margaret Mahoney, Jane Sutherland, John Brady, Christina West, Claire Varcoe, Cecilia Wood, John Foote, Julie Eskrigge*  
**.... Eternal rest grant to them.**

## Eastern Bays Area Schedule

### Monday

**9.00am** Mass at OL of Fatima Meadowbank  
**9.00am** Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at St Ignatius

### Tuesday

**9.00am** Mass at St Pius X Glen Innes

### Wednesday

**9:00am** at St Ignatius  
School Mass (Term Time) All welcome!

### Thursday

**9:00am** Mass at Mother of Perpetual Help

### Friday

**9:00am** Mass at St Ignatius

### Saturday

**9:30am** Mass at Mother of Perpetual Help (Rosary at 8.50am)

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

**8.45am** Saturday at Mother of Perpetual Help

**Saturday Vigil Mass - 5:00pm** at St Ignatius

### Sunday Mass

**9:00am** St Ignatius

**9.30am** and **5.00pm** St Joseph's

**10:30am** Mother of Perpetual Help

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

#### Thursdays following

#### 9.00am Mass at MPH

Rosary 8.30am and Benediction at 6.30pm

### Rosary Group – All Welcome

Mother of Perpetual Help Parish  
Fridays at 3.00pm in the Parish Centre

### Visit our website for

~New Parishioner Registration

~Sacramental Programmes: including for Adults (OCIA) and Children (RCIC)

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