

EASTERN BAYS PASTORAL AREA



St Joseph's
Orakei

St Ignatius
St Heliers

Mother of Perpetual Help
Glendowie

CORPUS CHRISTI ~ 7th June 2026

Kia Ora koutou katoa, nga mihi nui...

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

Feast of Corpus Christi and Reshaping Our Future

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). At every Mass we gather around the table of the Lord to receive the gift of Christ himself. The Eucharist reminds us of

Jesus' command to his disciples:

"Do this in memory of me." In the Eucharist we encounter Christ truly present among us, nourishing us, strengthening us, and drawing us into communion with God and with one another.

This time last year, Bishop Steve invited the six parishes of our region (Panmure, Glen Innes, Meadowbank, Glendowie, St Heliers and Orakei) to embark on **Reshaping our Future** - a journey of prayerful discernment about what the Holy Spirit is asking of us as a Church in East Auckland. Together we are considering how we can strengthen *community, participation, and mission in a changing world*. It challenges us to reflect on future paths and being open to being 'reshaped' by the divine potter. (Jeremiah 18)

Today's Feast of Corpus Christi

offers another important image for the journey Bishop Steve is asking us to take. The Eucharist is the sacrament of unity.

Many grains become one bread; many people become one Body in Christ. As St Paul reminds us, "Though there are many of us, we form a single body because we have a share in this one loaf."

As neighbouring parishes our future may not be in isolation to each other but in communion, collaboration, and a shared mission.

On Sunday afternoon on 14 June, parishioners from across the six parishes are invited to gather at St Pius X Parish, Glen Innes, to listen, pray, and reflect on how the Holy Spirit is calling us forward. This gathering is an important part of the discernment process. Every voice matters, and your presence will help shape the conversations and decisions that lie ahead.

Please make every effort to attend. To assist with planning: we ask that you register using the QR code elsewhere in this newsletter or to sign in using the registration form available at the back of the church.

May this Feast of Corpus Christi renew our trust in the Lord and deepen our commitment to walking together as one Church, attentive to the Spirit and open to the future God is preparing for us.

May God bless our work!

Bernard

Today's Readings

First Reading

Deuteronomy 8:2-3;14-16

The author exhorts the people to remember that they are God's people who need to nourish themselves on his word.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

In the Eucharist we all share the same bread, and so, however many we are, we form one Body in Christ.

Gospel

John 6: 51-58

As food and drink nourish the Body, so Christ nourishes us for this life and eternal life.

*Lord Jesus,
You feed us with the
Bread of Life
and fill us with Your love.
May the Eucharist strengthen
our faith, unite us as one body,
and send us out to serve others
with compassion and joy.
Amen.*

EAST AUCKLAND AREA

Reshaping our Future

On **Sunday 14 June, from 2-5pm** at
St Pius X Church, 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*.

Please register by scanning the QR code.

Alternatively, there please use the registration form available at the back of the Church.

TAIZE PRAYER EVENING

Friday 12 June – 7.00pm-8.00pm

Mary MacKillop Chapel

56 Selwyn Ave, Mission Bay.

Light refreshments will be served

Celebration of Fr Ryan's Ordination

Our Parish communities will be celebrating

Father Ryan's Ordination on

Sunday 7th June after 10.30am Mass

at Mother of Perpetual Help Parish.

Please bring a plate to share.

Farewell Mass with Fr John Larsen

On Sunday at 9.00am Fr John will be

celebrated Mass at St Ignatius before he heads off to Cameroon on his next Marist

Father Mission. Come and join as we farewell him until he returns next time to his home Parish of St Ignatius.

Pastoral Area Ministry Formation

June 23rd at 7pm 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

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.

St Joseph's Tax Receipts 2025/2026

Tax Receipts for donations to St Joseph's Parish are available in the Church Foyer.

Thank you for your patience.

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

Thank you to those who have responded.



Pastoral Area WINE AND CHEESE After 5.00pm Mass

Come and join in and make new friends and enjoy a drink together.

**Saturday 6th June at St Ignatius
Parish Centre.**

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, and the Catholic Church's response to this teaching in the light of the Resurrection; to walk by faith in loving communion with Jesus in prayer. 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

YOUTH HAPPENINGS...

Pastoral Area Youth Group

We have a date for our first gathering!

21st 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 1st August.

For more information contact Bob at seminarian@easternbayscatholic.org.nz

World Youth Day Auckland 2026

10:00am-8:30pm Saturday **1st 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

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

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

Monte Cecilia Housing Trust Annual Winter Woollies Appeal

Monte Cecilia Housing Trust requests your support for our families in need through our annual Winter Woollies Appeal, 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.

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

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



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 **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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