

EASTERN BAYS PASTORAL AREA



St Joseph's
Orakei



St Ignatius
St Heliers



Mother of Perpetual Help
Glendowie

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME~ 18th OCTOBER 2026

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Kia Ora koutou katoa, nga mihi nui...

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

**“Give therefore to Caesar the things
that are Caesar’s, and to God the things
that are God’s”. (Matthew 22:21)**

These familiar words of Jesus in today’s
Gospel remind us that while we have
responsibilities as citizens of this world,
our deepest allegiance belongs to God.

Everything we are, and everything we
have, is ultimately a gift from God. Our
challenge is to reflect God’s image in the
way we live, love and serve others.

This Sunday is **World Mission Sunday**, a
day when Catholics throughout the world
unite in prayer and practical support for
the missionary work of the Church.

This year marks the centenary of this
worldwide expression of solidarity.

Through the Pontifical Mission Societies,
we support young and growing Churches,
particularly in places where communities
face poverty, hardship and persecution.

Pope Leo XIV invites us to be “united in
mission, docile (open) to the Holy Spirit,
courageous in bearing witness to the
Gospel”. Mission is not simply something

that happens in distant countries. It
begins here, in our own homes,
neighbourhoods and parish communities.
As we continue to shape the future of our
three Eastern Bays parishes, we are
reminded that our purpose is not simply
to maintain buildings and structures,
but to be living communities of faith,
welcome and service.

There is much to celebrate in our parish
families. Our thanks go to everyone
involved in last Sunday’s wonderful Youth
Mass at St Joseph’s, Ōrākei, and also to
those who organised Saturday evening’s
Quiz Night. Both occasions remind us of
the joy, energy and friendship that
strengthen our communities.

This Sunday evening at Mother of
Perpetual Help, Glendowie, we welcome
and congratulate the young people who
recently received their First Holy
Communion and now gather together for
Mass. May their friendship with Jesus
continue to deepen, supported by their
families and our parish communities.

**On this Mission Sunday, may we
remember that we are not simply
supporters of the Church’s mission.**

**We are the mission!
Blessings, Bernard**

Today's Readings

First Reading – Isaiah 45:1.4-6

The return of the people from exile – a return made possible by King Cyrus – is seen as a sign of God's love for his people, Israel, and of his lordship over all peoples.

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

Here we see Paul's concern for the Christians at Thessalonika.

Gospel – Matthew 22: 15-21

This is the story of an effort by the enemies of Jesus to trap him into saying something incriminating.



2026 Quiz Night

A reminder that the Eastern Bays Catholic Quiz night is on this Saturday

17 October at 6:30 pm at St Ignatius Parish Centre. Tickets are \$20.00 each.

There is still time to purchase a ticket via our website –

www.easternbayscatholic.org.nz

Door sales available on the night!

Simply bring your own nibbles and drinks for your table and your best trivia knowledge.

Raffles too!!

Please bring cash!



Mission Sunday

Supporting Pope Leo's missionary endeavours... if you would like to make a donation please use the QR code.

Missio Bank details for are:

A/c Name: Pontifical Mission Aid Societies

A/c Number: BNZ 02-0506-0022477-066

Christmas Hampers Project 2026

Our Christmas Hamper Project is a wonderful way to share our blessings and show our children the value of helping others. There are lots of ways to get involved, and we'd love your support.

Truck needed for grocery delivery

We're looking for someone with access to a truck fitted with a tail lift to help collect groceries from Glen Innes Pak'n Save and deliver them to the Parish Centre on the morning of **Saturday 28 November**. If you can help, please email annamradich@gmail.com.

Hamper Packing Day

Sunday 29 November

We'll be packing hampers after 9.00am Mass at St Ignatius. Please save the date.

Donations welcome

Each hamper costs approximately \$120.

Donations can be made to:

Account name: St Ignatius St Heliers Bay

Account number: 02-0108-0707227-003

Reference: Xmas Hampers Donation

Christmas wrapping paper still needed

We still need Christmas wrapping paper to wrap all the hampers. Donations can be left at the back of the church.

Other roles

If you're available to drive on the day or would like to help with other preparations in the lead-up, please contact Naomi at naomijo@gmail.com.

Thank you for helping us bring a little extra Christmas joy to families in our community.

Summer Work for a Seminarian

We have a seminarian who is looking for work over the summer.

Please contact the parish office office@easternbayscatholic.org.nz or telephone 575 5227 if you can help.

With grateful thanks.

**Thinking about becoming Catholic?
Come along to our
Information Session**

Monday 19th October at 7.30pm
at St Ignatius. Please email Gina at
sacraments@easternbayscatholic.org.nz

Scripture Study Group

Now meets on the **2nd Thursday of each month** at St Ignatius Parish Centre from 7.30pm.
All welcome

YOUTH HAPPENINGS...

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

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**Diocesan Youth Mass**

**Come and join us.**

Fourth Sunday of the month at 4:30pm  
at St Patrick's Cathedral.

**Friend Wanted**

We are parishioners and attend Mass at St Ignatius. My 21-year-old son who has autism is desperately seeking genuine friendships around his own age. He is not a 'group' person so we are looking for individuals who are open to connect with him. Just one would be one friend more than he has now.

Please call Joanne 0277022917

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**2027 COLUMBAN CALENDARS**

**2027 Calendars are now available.**

**Cost \$15.00**

**Please see Shona at**

**St Ignatius office**

**Or Maureen at MOPH office**

**Parish Office Hours**

**St Ignatius:**

Tues, Thurs, and Fri 8.45am – 12.00pm

**Mother of Perpetual Help**

Mon and Wed 1.30pm – 5.30pm

Preference Enrolment forms by appointment

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



**Eastern Bays Catholic  
Parishes Facebook Page**

Have you seen our Facebook Page? Go to  
<https://www.facebook.com/easternbayscatholic>. Be sure to like it to keep up to date with the happenings at our parishes and beyond.

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**St Ignatius Card Group**

Wednesday afternoons at the St Ignatius Parish centre. All welcome.  
Contact is Stella on 021 02408199

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**Eastern Bays Coffee-Morning  
Meetup for Men and Women**

Every **third Wednesday** of the month, at the Terraces Restaurant, 207 Riddell Road, Glendowie, in the grounds of St Andrew's Village (everyone is welcome).  
Parking is available. Come along at  
**10am on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2026**

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**Men's Coffee Group**

An invitation to men to attend a coffee group at "Honey Cafe" Roberta Ave every Thursday after 9am Mass t MPH.  
All welcome to come and join us for a coffee and a chat....

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**Manager – Ministries to Young People |  
Catholic Diocese of Auckland**

Are you a Catholic leader with a heart for young people? We're looking for someone who answers "Yes!" to serve as our full-time Manager – Ministries to Young People. You'll lead a multidisciplinary team, oversee major diocesan initiatives, and shape of youth and young adult ministry in New Zealand's largest Diocese. To learn more, please visit  
[www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/)

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**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)



## ANNIVERSARIES

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

Br Roger Dowling, Br William Lawley, Sheila Fisher, Mary Evans, Timothy Snedden, Royce Moodable, Mike Davis, Jim Bolger, Ross Williams, Paul Toland, Kevin O'Brien, Benoit Marcenac, Jakov Matulovic, Pat White, Mike Randall, Stan Carroll, Martin McLean, Merko Granic, Robert Kilpatrick, Eileen Algie, Philip Klaassen, Margaret Klaassen, John Connor, Florence Smith, Molly Lynskey, Stephen Batterton, Ron MacDonald, Beryl Thom, Marjorie Smith, Mollie Corbett, Eta Baloghy, Elena Fava, Mary Peachey, Queenie Corban, Claude Simpson, Christie Philipiah, Ross Lomas, Gerard Wills, Tess Kelly, Miriam Young, Josephine Phipps, Mavis McCormick, Kate Botica, Maureen Gatt, Esmay Ulenberg, Andrew Rothery, Sister Rose Marsh RGS, Jean-Louis Christian, Graham Wardrope, Audrey Gudgeon, Nicholas Oei, Geoffrey Tempest, Mary Williams, Jack Murphy, Nancy Burgess, Miriam Holland, Wallace Gordon, Raymond Dobbs, James Ryan, Eileen Hewitt, Patricia McKinlay, Raimondo Bellanca, Tumewu Oei, Mary Rawlinson, Elvira Borich, Natalie Culpán, Fr John Airey CSSR, Shirley Schollum, Bryan Lynch Charles Mamo, Alan O'Brien, and Fay Payne

*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

**9:00am** 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)

[sacraments@easternbayscatholic.org.nz](mailto:sacraments@easternbayscatholic.org.nz)

Catholic Diocese of Auckland

[www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz)

#### ST JOSEPH'S

16 Brenton Place, Orakei

#### ST IGNATIUS

12 Kotiri Street, St Heliers

#### MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

510 Riddell Road, Glendowie

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Website: [www.easternbayscatholic.org.nz](http://www.easternbayscatholic.org.nz)

Parish Priest: Monsignor Bernard Kiely

Assistant Priest: Father Ryan Sy

Seminarian: Bob Fe'ao

#### PARISH SCHOOLS

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