

Parish of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

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11th May 2025 – 4th Sunday of Easter

Mass Timetable

Tuesday: 8am at the Mercy Centre Chapel (104 The Drive)

Wednesday & Thursday: 8am

Friday: 12.05pm (Adoration from 11am)

Saturday: 9am

Sunday Vigil Mass – Saturday: 5.30pm

Sunday: 9am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4.45-5.15pm

The Rosary is prayed in the Church every Monday morning during school term at 9.15-9.45am.

Meetings and Events in Our Parish

Mondays 6.30pm Legion of Mary meet in the church foyer.

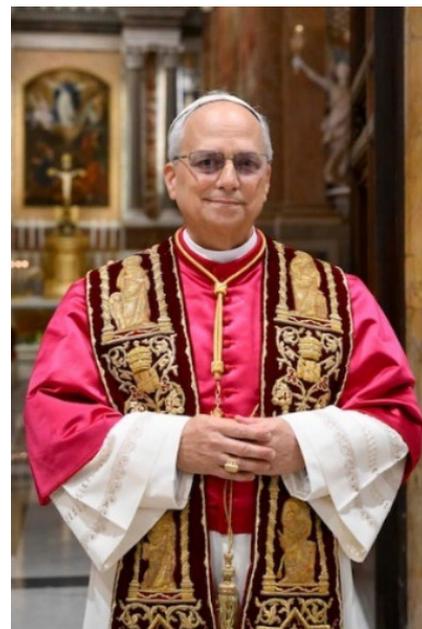
New members welcome.

Mondays 7.30-8.15pm Christian Meditation at 104 The Drive, Epsom.

Wednesdays 7-8pm Choir practice in the church

Thursdays 10.30-11.15am Christian Meditation at 104 The Drive, Epsom.

Habemus Papam - We have a Pope! Pope Leo XIV



Our Church Building is 100!

31st May 2025

5.30pm Mass – Celebrant: Bishop Steve Lowe
Wine, Cheese, & Nibbles follow in the parish hall.



The church of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart was built in 1925, with the cornerstone solemnly blessed and laid by then Bishop of Auckland, the Most Reverend Henry W. Cleary, D.D. on the 31st May 1925. The church was finished and consecrated by Bishop James Michael Liston on 6 September 1925.

In thanksgiving and celebration for the 100th year of our parish church, Bishop Stephen Lowe will be celebrating the vigil mass on Saturday, 31st May 2025, at 5.30pm. A celebration with wine, cheese, cake, and nibbles, will follow in the parish hall. Everyone is invited to join in this joyous occasion. Please mark your calendars and come celebrate with fellow parishioners.

Seminary Appeal

Today is Vocations Sunday. Bishop Steve Lowe asks us to support to our seminarians studying towards their priestly vocations at Holy Cross Seminary. Your contribution will positively influence the future of the Church here in Auckland. Donate at www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/donate.

Alternative ways to donate:

1. Use the specially marked envelope in your planned giving sets for the Seminary Appeal and drop this into our collection basket during mass.
2. Use any envelope, label with your name (optional) and drop into our collection basket during mass.
3. Online into our parish account with details below:

Account Name: OUR LADY SACRED HEART EPSOM

Account Number: 02-0108-0707091-000

Reference: Seminary and your name (optional)

Please continue to pray for our seminarians.

Baptisms in our Parish (April and May)

We welcome to the Catholic faith:

Kendall Gong, child of Jay and Anita;

Shaun Poh, Janie Qu, and Sasanka Thewarapperuma, who received their Sacraments of Initiation on Easter Vigil;

Poutama John Tamaki Maxwell, child of Walter and Rachelle; and **Grace Adele Barnett**, child of Seamus and Charlotte.

God bless you all.



100th Birthday of Thelma Metcalfe

Thelma Metcalfe, who was a parishioner in Epsom for 50 years before moving to St Joseph's Home in Herne Bay in 2011, will be celebrating her 100th birthday in August this year.

For those who knew Thelma and Jack and would like to join the celebration of this fabulous milestone, please contact Mez Hopkins mez@teddytime.co.nz or mobile 021336984 for further details.

Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is now open for enrolment for Semester 2. Go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/apply to apply or call (09) 361-1053 for more information. Enrolment closes on May 16.

Catholic Women's League, Orakei – Eastern Suburbs, invites women and men to our event on Wednesday 28th May, 2025 at St. Joseph's Church, Orakei. Mass at 10.30am. Morning Tea followed by a talk on Motor Neuron Disease and then a lovely autumn lunch and sweet treats. Cost: \$20 this goes to charity. For more details and confirmation: Ring Tina Raines on 021 940 950/09-5212499 Email: tinairaines@orcon.net.nz

Theology of the Body Course

Fulfilled: The Promise of the Christian Life: Sat 17 and Sun 18 May 2025. Mission Bay, Auckland. To register please visit: www.theologyofthebody.nz

Current of Grace, Auckland (CHARIS) is having its annual Pentecost celebration on 8 June from 1:30pm to 4:00pm at St Luke's Church. 260 Chapel Rd, Flat Bush, Auckland.

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

Bible Stories - What do they mean? with Beate Matthies Sunday, 04 May 2025, 5-6pm (Zoom).

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/bible-studies-what-do-they-mean-13/>

Luther's Wedding with Dr Nicholas Thompson

Monday, 28 July 2025, 7-8.30pm

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/luthers-wedding/>

YouTube Recording - Muffin Talk:

Christian Blind Mission - with Murray Sheard:

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2025/04/22/christian-blind-mission-muffin-talk/>

For more information: www.studyjoy.nz

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY! Mission Partner – Bible Society and Manna Christian Stores

Opportunity for a skilled and passionate Mission Partner to establish and maintain mission-focused partnerships with Christian leaders, churches, volunteers, and other key stakeholders. As a Mission Partner, you will advocate for Bible Society and Manna Christian Stores' programmes and seek financial support for local and global projects. This is a permanent, salaried position. To be considered, you must be living in New Zealand and legally eligible to accept and commit to a permanent position. You will need to have a current full New Zealand driver's licence. To request a position description and to apply, contact Jeanine at biblesociety.people@biblesociety.org.nz.

Kids Corner and Parents Pondering

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Celebrating-FOURTH-SUNDAY-of-EASTER-1.pdf>

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/The-Sand-Box.pdf>

The Kids Bulletin

A fun way for Catholic kids to learn about the Faith every week. www.thekidsbulletin.com

Shine TV Broadcasting of Sunday Mass at 2pm Free-to-air channel 25 or Sky 201.

Safeguarding Contacts at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish

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MASS INTENTIONS

A gentle reminder that mass intentions need to be sent to the parish office at least 48 hours before the day on which mass is to be offered. If the intention is particularly important, please make sure to mention this at the time the request is made. As a general rule, Sunday mass is offered for the people of the parish although some exceptions are possible. Please note that if a mass cannot be offered on the desired date, it will be offered on the next available date.

Eucharist has been celebrated or will be celebrated for:

Recently Deceased: Bishop Owen Dolan, Pope Francis, Sum Lee, Michael Lee, Suzanne Muth, Ron Lamont, Fr Paul O'Connor AA, Sr Judith Leydon rsm, Daniel Encomienda

Sick: Millie Pacheco, Carol Rogers, Nicholas Geor, Evelyn Totanes, Stephen Wheoki, Arielle Beatriz Bautista, Peggy Dance, Adrian Judson, Joseph Cave, Lima Sio Kame, Celia Codoy, Mary Knaggs, Margaret Connolly, Tarewa Williams, Michael Hernandez, Ricky Keong

Anniversaries Paul Foong (Apr 7), Larissa Lukito (Apr 7), Dulcie Aldridge (Apr 22), Alan Moros (May 11), Maria Talan Valenzuela (May 15)

Roster for next weekend: 18th May

	5.30PM Vigil	9AM
Commentator	Anne Bannatyne	Sarah Crawford
Reader	Tina Hallis	Nick Ansley
Offertory	Lily Ho	Paul Grace and Family
Eucharistic Ministers	Ashly Ng Lisette Albuquerque Marlene Parejas John Ryan	Priscilla Sevele Louise Valladares Annette Wilson
Altar Servers	Kristen Dizon Cecilia Koenig Kenan Trenwith	Audrey Quah Reagan Quah Chloe Mavumkal
Collectors	Reena Fernandes Volunteer Please	Michael & Jan Marinovich
A/V Operator	Marcus Koenig	Shalini Thewarapperuma
Music	Suchi Lewis	Judith F. & Choir
Children's Liturgy		Chunxue Ding
Counters	Carmel Webb Lily Ho	Ashly Ng
Altar Care	Marizel Dizon Joy Daria	
Flowers	Julia McLaughlan	

Readings for next week 5th Sunday of Easter

1. Acts 14:21-27
2. Apocalypse 21:1-5
Gospel John 13:31-35

Sign of the Cross (Te Reo)

Ki te ingoa
O te Matua, O te Tamaiti,
O te Wairua Tapu
Amene

Our parish bank account details are as follows:

Account Name: OUR LADY SACRED HEART EPSOM
Account Number: 02-0108-0707091-000

New to our parish?

A warm welcome to you and your family to Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Epsom Parish. Kindly complete a new parishioner's form available in the church foyer and return to the parish office so that we can add you into our parish database and you can receive the newsletters and other parish notices by email.