



19 AUGUST 2018

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A stylized illustration of a white coffee cup with a red stripe, sitting on a saucer. Three wavy lines represent steam rising from the cup. The background is a light gray gradient.



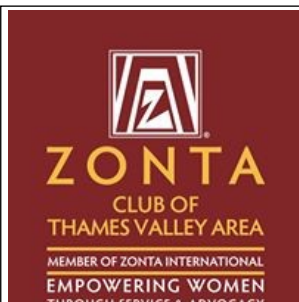
In carrying Jesus, Mary brings us a new joy, filled with meaning," Pope Francis said, "she brings a new ability to overcome with faith the most painful and difficult moments; she brings the ability of mercy, to forgive each other, understand each other, support one another."

How do we exercise these qualities of Mary? Mercy, forgiveness, understanding and support for those in painful or difficult situations.

**Grace
Mercy
Forgiveness**

*Three things we are given freely everyday...
Why do we choose not to give it freely to others?
We don't deserve it either*

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Thames Book-a-rama

The Zonta Club of Thames Valley is collecting books for it's annual Book-a-rama fundraiser on Friday 31st August and Saturday 1st September in Thames.

If you have books, CDs, DVDs or jigsaws you'd like to donate, the club will gratefully accept them. Details are as follows:

Thames drop off:

- Wintec in Thames between the hours of 9am – 3pm or at the
- ANZ Bank on Pollen St .

The contact for Thames is Chris Hovell on 021 514 674

Funds raised at Book-a-rama will be used to support initiatives such as the local education fund for women over 25 years.



JOURNEY IN FAITH COURSE

Every year we gather a group of people who want to enter more deeply into the faith of the church. This group is made up of:

- people who have never been baptised;
- people who were baptised but have been "resting" from their faith;
- people who practice their faith but have never been Confirmed;
- people who were baptised in another Christian Community but now want to practice their faith in the Community of the Catholic Church

We will be starting this course again soon and if you are interested in joining this group, then please contact any of the following:

Sister Paula 021 206 8062

or Olivia 021 083 25403 or Murray 027 439 8787

St Francis School News

Please pray for our school as they prepare for the ERO (Education Review Office) visit commencing on the 20th August



Volunteers required to assist with:



- ⇒ Hearing reading & key words
- ⇒ Other reading support

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Can you help continue the tradition of giving?

Last weeks collection

Loose \$239

Pledge \$505

TOTAL \$744



RC Bishop of Auckland Parish Account Thames
02—0100—0120990 — 008

PLEASE NOTE: WE ONLY HAVE ONE COLLECTION

Have you considered giving your gift to the Parish through **Auto Payment?**

This is a way to show a strong commitment to your Parish. AP's continually support even when you are away on holiday.



Bishop Pat with his Council of Priests have asked that all parishes in Auckland participate in the Church Life Survey today.

This is a national survey organised by the Christian Research Association.

Apart from demographic questions, the rest of the survey is an attitudinal one. The questions ask you how you feel about belonging to your church and your parish, what you most value; and ask the same questions about your faith. Questions are asked about outreach into the community and your involvement. All of this data leads to great tools for parishes and for the Pastoral Planning Team to plan and to meet the expressed needs of our parishioners.

You can fill in the survey with the congregation during the Mass. There are forms and pencils at the ends of pews and there are people who will be on hand to help with any questions you may have. Forms will be collected after completion at each Mass.

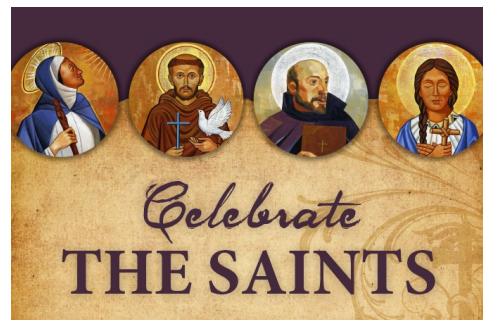
Or you can either do it online by going to <https://www.clsnz.com/> using the code **AVSWJVMN**

AGM & Leadership Team Elections will be held

**11th September,
9:30am (after
Mass)**

There will be a future planning session to follow facilitated by Sr Ann Nevin.

Please consider offering your gifts to this great Team of people.



St John Eudes (French: *Jean Eudes*) (14 November 1601 – 19 August 1680) was a French Roman Catholic priest and the founder of both the Eudists and the Order of Our Lady of Charity. He was also a professed member from the Oratory of Jesus and was the author of the proper for the Mass and Divine Office of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus Christ and the Blessed Virgin. Eudes was an ardent proponent of the Sacred Hearts and dedicated himself to its promotion and celebration; the Masses he compiled for both Sacred Hearts were later said for the first time both in his lifetime. He preached missions across France including Paris and Versailles while becoming known as a popular evangelist as well as a sought-out confessor and preacher. Father Eudes was also a prolific writer and wrote on the Sacred Hearts while also condemning the Jansenists in favour of full support for the pope.

Eudes was canonized as a saint in mid-1925 and there is a current push to have him named as a Doctor of the Church



Because He bends
down to listen, I will
pray as long as

I have
Breath
Psalm 116:2

IN THE MAIL THIS WEEK

LifeFest 2018: 4th October 2018. Family Life International's wonderful youth event LifeFest will run again this October School Holiday and will be held at Epsom Girl's Grammar School on October 4th. Please make sure you register if you are aged between 13 and 18 for a full day of fun, food and prayer. Bring your entire youth group and all of your friends and meet the daughter of canonized saint, Saint Gianna Beretta Molla! She is also called Gianna and is a doctor, Dr. Gianna Emanuela Molla from Italy. LifeFest will be the youth event of 2018. Don't miss out. Just \$20 per person (sponsorships available). Please visit www.fli.org.nz/prolifeconference2018 for more information or ring Michael on 021 825 955.

"Full, Conscious and Active." A workshop presented by the Auckland Diocesan Liturgy Centre. **Saturday August 25th, 10 am – 12,** (cup of tea 9.30) **St Mary's Papakura.**

WEEKLY CHURCH ROSTERS

Readers

19 AUG Grace Visser Margaret Mabey
26 AUG Lyn Hopkins Mike Hopkins

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of the EUCHARIST &

SACRISTANS

19 AUG Jenny Cooper Frank Schnuriger
26 AUG Eric Hamilton Robyn Smith

PRIEST'S ASSISTANT

19 AUG Geraldine Sumner
26 AUG Judy Thomas

GIFTS

19 AUG Lois Wright and Sheila Jones
26 AUG Mark and Steph Oliver

MUSIC

19 AUG Team Hamilton
26 AUG Team Hennessy

MORNING TEA

19 AUG Team Leadership
26 AUG Team Merla

CHURCH CLEANING

AUG WK 1 Jenny Cooper / David Cooper /
Eileen Henderson

AUG WK 3 Indian Group

FLOWERS

AUG Mary Dixon Pat Feliciano
SEPT

This workshop is intended for; those who participate in the liturgy, those with an interest in liturgy, Liturgy Committees, Parish Councils, musicians etc. The workshop will explore; the Liturgy as a means of our transformation, participation and what it requires of us, and unity within the backdrop of an individualistic culture. To register, email tinac@cda.org.nz or phone 093603061.

Society of Mary Priests & Brothers: Communities of men committed to lives of prayer and service, disciples of Jesus inspired by the example of His mother Mary, sharing the mission of the Church locally and internationally. If you know someone who might consider life as a Marist priest or brother, there is an information and prayer weekend on 24-26 August. Information at www.maristseminary.org.nz or facebook.com/marists or email Fr Pat Breeze SM on vocations@smnz.org.nz.

MAX18NZ – a National Catholic Event for Men, 28-30 September 2018, Kings College, Auckland. Great line up of international speakers, single room accommodation, excellent food, not to be missed. Details available at www.max18nz.info or by email enquiry@max18nz.info or phone Jim Gribble on 027 249 5378

Pope Francis has invited young people from around the world to gather with him in Panama in January 2019. Our young people have been planning, saving and fundraising for months. Last week we found out that the deposit due 31 August has increased from \$1,000 to \$4,000. That's a big difference for a young person! Can you help them by chipping in with a contribution to this urgently needed deposit? To donate go to: www.akyouth.org.nz.

CALENDAR

AUGUST

Tues 21st	9:15am—Mass in the Chapel
Wed 22nd	9:15am—Mass in the Chapel
Thurs 23rd	9:15am—Mass in the Chapel
Fri 24th	12:15am—Mass in the Chapel
Sat 25th	9:15am—Mass in the Chapel
Sun 26th	8:30am Mass in the Church

SEPTEMBER

Sun 11th	After Mass—AGM/Goal Setting
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Catholic Women's League'

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1st Thursday of the month at Parish Centre

LITURGICAL TIMES

Sunday Mass

8.30 am

Tuesday—Thursday & Saturday Mass

9.15 am

Thursday

9.15am. Mass, Exposition, Benediction & Reconciliation.

Friday

12.15pm

Reconciliation

During Exposition, Thursdays
Saturdays after 9.15 am Mass.