

*In praying at Mass and in your own personal prayer, please remember*

### Recently Deceased

Calvin Smith, Josephine Aoun, Penny Schultz, Mary Downie, John Flemming, Bill Back

### Others who have died

Jim Surplis (33rd Ann), (4th Ann), Patsy Dwyer (9th Ann), Louise Noble-Campbell (9th Ann), Nicholas Voykovich (11th Ann), Wayne Mackwood (15th Ann) Harry Mackwood (54th Ann), Joan Shand (8th Ann)

### For the sick

Maureen Stephens; Florence Ho, Lynette Castle, Kristen Smith, Joseph Ross, Cade Lucinsky, Virginia Keith, Rosie Rowan, Phil Kemble, Hercille Kirchner, Mike Hammond, Anthony Joseph, Heidi McGowan, Kerry Bloor, Kate Pallett, Naomi Smith, Donna Agnew, Tina Payne, Lauren Tate, Graham Pointon, Beth Furst, Ashton Baty, Margo Saidy, Sa'na Mashood, Kath Ferguson, Arlene Falconer, Rachel Breen (nee Hammond), Carol Viegas, Catherine Donald, Elizabeth Aoun-Darrah, Michael Vogel, Reynaldo Faypon, John Walshe, Caroline Egan, Shirley Kahn, Mary Donovan, Philip Cameron-Smith, Erlinda Mangaser, Patrick Tam, Ida Elliott, Josephine Amelia Morunga, Edwin Sheppard, Fifi Aoun, Hayley Davids, Rosemary McKinstry, Joan Stevens, Diane Church, Saul Espejo, David Guan, Kathy Kennedy, Noel Patrick Pearce, Anthony Mace, Ann Toomey, Robyn Viljoen, Ramon Fernandez, Loy Awat Obote, Leonie Agnew, Wendy Perrier, Troy Stevens, Bernice Bos, Diana Chalmers

*Please contact the Parish Office to add or remove names in the prayer list. Thank you*

### MUSIC:

**6.00:** CROsSyngs  
**9.00:** Boy Cantors/Quartet, Laurie Kubiak, Jennifer Maybee  
**5.30:** Peter Chang, Linda Joyce

### CLEANING:

Linda Lehrke, Henry Elliott, Bryan & Julia Mills, Lorna Diaz

### FLOWERS

Cherry Dela Cruz

### LAWNS:

John Crowe

### ROSTER 14/15 JUNE 2025

#### READERS

**6.00:** Lara Teixeira, Noel Vaughan  
**9.00:** Bernadette Pereira, Kate Beazley  
**5.30:** Detta Fairweather, Robynne Mills

#### MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

**6.00:** Margaret & Joseph Chiu, Eunice Tam, Ine Whitley,  
**9.00:** Ben Voykovich, Juliana Hughes, Justin Gumafelix, Norma Crestanello  
**5.30:** Terence & Lara Teixeira, Gerard Fletcher, Ian McEnteer

#### ALTAR SERVERS

**6.00:** Eden Adams, Xian Omambac  
**9.00:** Matthew Asuncion, Amber Vakadranu, Andy Mascarenhas  
**5.30:** Bayan Xu, Hannah Teixeira

#### GIFTS

**6.00:** Teixeira Family  
**9.00:** Peter Cary  
**5.30:** Naomi Letica, Lara Ongley

#### COLLECTORS

**6.00:** Mike Giddey  
**9.00:** Chan Mow Family  
**5.30:** Margaret Quiding

#### GREETERS

**6.00:** Andre Jenkins  
**9.00:** Giulia Hall  
**5.30:**

#### DATA PROJECTOR

**6.00:** Karen Noble-Campbell  
**9.00:** Gordon Sanders  
**5.30:** Matthew Mills

#### SACRISTANS

**6.00:** William Cheng  
**9.00:** Walter & Matilda Martis  
**5.30:** Louise Turner



*"We are a Christ centred community fostering belonging (whanaungatanga) and outreach through selfless giving (manaakitanga) in Mary's Way."*

#### Weekend Masses

Vigil Beachlands	4.30pm
Howick	6.00pm
Sunday: Howick	9.00am
	5.30pm

#### Weekday Masses

Tuesday - Friday:	9.15am
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#### Daily Rosary

Tuesday - Friday	9.45am
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#### Novena Our Lady Of Perpetual Help

Wednesday 9.45am after Mass

#### Sacrament of Confession

After Mass 1st Friday  
**Saturday:** 8.30am to 9.00am  
**Saturday :** 5.00pm to 5.30pm (not 1st Saturday)  
or upon request

#### In Parish Centre:

#### St Vincent de Paul Food Bank

The foodbank is **NOT** operating while the Parish centre renovations are going on.

**PLEASE DO NOT BRING IN ANY FOOD AND TOILETRIES** until the renovations are complete.

**Our Lady Star of The Sea Catholic Church, Howick**  
**Office : DURING RENOVATION : 14 OAKRIDGE WAY, HOWICK**  
**Church:** Corner of Picton & Park Hill Roads  
**Parish Priest:** Fr John Fitzmaurice : frjohnfitzmaurice@gmail.com  
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**Website:** www.howickcatholic.org.nz  
**Beachlands Mass Centre:** St. Hilda's, Anglican Church  
3 Wakelin Road, Beachlands [www.beachlandscatholic.weebly.com](http://www.beachlandscatholic.weebly.com)

## *8 June 2025 Pentecost Sunday*

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

**Acts 2:1-11; Ps. 104; Romans 8:8-17;  
John 14:15-16-23-26**

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

**Proverbs 8:22-31; Ps. 8; Romans 5:1-5  
John 16:12-15**

### **FATHER JOHN'S 70<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY**

**You're Invited: Celebrate Father John's 70th Birthday!**

Join us as we come together in gratitude to celebrate Father John's 70th birthday with a special parish morning tea!

☆ **Sunday, 29 June**

☆ **10:00 AM (following the 9:00 AM Mass)**

☆ **All Saints Community Centre, 30 Cook Street, Howick**

Please bring a plate to share — food drop-off will be available at the venue from 8:00am on the day.

If you would like to contribute to a group gift, you can do so via bank transfer BNZ Howick Parish Account No: 02-0108-0706005-000 (use the reference "**Gift**"). All koha will go towards causes Father John's cares deeply about: sponsoring young parishioners to attend Life Teen Camp 2026 and supporting families in need to attend Our Lady Star of the Sea Primary School. Cards and personal gifts are also welcome on the day. **Pencil in this date and let's celebrate.**

## FROM OUR PARISH PRIEST

Dear Friends,

Today is PENTECOST SUNDAY and it brings to a close the Easter Season for 2025. The Red Vestments worn by the priest at Mass denote the "fire" of the Holy Spirit who continues to sustain the Church and the world as *the Lord, the Giver of Life* as we profess each Sunday in the Creed. Father Terry remarked the other day that when he recently celebrated a class Mass at our school he discovered that in that class alone the children spoke more than twenty languages. So we see the rich diversity alive and active in our Parish School but also in our Sunday Masses. The "face" of our Parish on Sundays is increasingly a rich and diverse one with many cultures forming a beautiful tapestry of unity-in-diversity and all this is made possible by the life-giving presence of the Holy Spirit. This is the meaning of today's Feast of Pentecost and if it is true that our parish is already *a family for all* we also know that like each of us it is still a work in progress. We ARE a family for all but we are always GROWING MORE as a family for all. And you are part of that. There is no parish *apart from you*; rather, YOU are the parish (along with so many others). ***Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love!***

The USE OF INCENSE in Christian worship has its roots in the Bible itself and is one of the many *taonga* (or treasures) that make our worship beautiful and engages our whole selves (our five senses of taste, touch, sight, smell and hearing) in giving honour and praise to Almighty God. Its fragrance adds solemnity and mystery to our Sunday worship but we don't use it all the time or at every Mass. Thank you for your patience as we have been experimenting a bit with its usage at the 9.00am Sunday Mass. Many of you have expressed appreciation for this restoration of such a rich symbol of the mysterious and beautiful presence of God. At that same time we hear you when you say that it has an honoured place but need not be used EVERY Sunday at 9.00am and why don't we use it instead of always at 9.00am but at the occasional Saturday evening or Sunday evening Mass instead. That depends on the availability of experienced Altar Servers of course, but we hear you. The use of Incense at 9.00am Mass will be perhaps when the Parish Choir sings, or for special occasions etc but not every single Sunday. And if we can, we might give Saturday night or Sunday night parishioners the chance to receive this blessing. I often quote the saying *less is more* to people - and that applies to most good things - use in moderation and spread the joy. Thank you for your greatly appreciated feedback on how you like Incense at Mass some of the time but not all of the time.

We extend our prayerful sympathy to the families of **Mary Downie, John Fleming, and Bill Back** - all parishioners who have died in the last week or so. May they rest in peace.

God bless you, and your families.

**Father John**

## PARISH YOUTH NEWS

**Youth Mass & Youth Group – Tonight!** Join us tonight for our Youth Mass at 5:30pm, followed by an evening of fun games, delicious food, and wholesome vibes at Youth Group! After Mass, we'll head over to All Saints Community Centre for the fun. Parent pickup is at 8:30pm from the Community Centre. We can't wait to see you there!

## PARISH MAGAZINE

Kia ora Parishioners

Shortly we will be publishing our next edition of our parish magazine entitled "Witnessing Together". This magazine intends to offer inspiration and encouragement coupled with the sharing of news and voice of various parishioners and groups within our parish. I invite you to share any thoughts, experiences, poems, book reviews, reflections and faith insights around the theme of we are 'Pilgrims of Hope', that could uplift and encourage both individuals and our parish community. Contributions can be emailed to [olsosmag@gmail.com](mailto:olsosmag@gmail.com) no later than **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June**. Whether long or short, your words can bless, inspire and strengthen us as a faith community. With joy in Christ. Anthony (Editor)

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Women and men are invited to our Catholic Women's League event on 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2025. Mass at 10.30am at St. Joseph's Church, Orakei and the talk by the General Manager, Linda Thompson on Women's Refuge. Her personal experience has shaped her commitment to breaking the cycle of violence for safer and healthier communities. Cost: \$20 – includes morning tea and lunch. Please ring Tina Raines on 021 940 950 or email: [tinaraines2703@gmail.com](mailto:tinaraines2703@gmail.com)

## CURRENT VACANCY

### Part time Caregiver: Baradene Convent, Remuera

A committed caregiver/ HCA or Enrolled Nurse is needed for a Saturday shift from 7am until 3 pm at the Convent and to support others' leave absences. Qualifications at Level 4 Health and Wellbeing NZ Certificate or as an Enrolled Nurse are important. This special position requires an entrusted person aligned with Catholic teachings including a commitment to safeguarding practices. Understanding of, and commitment to values of the RSCJ Sisters' values and their privacy is essential. **Applications can be made on Seek. Closing date: 11 June**



**Parish Centre  
Renovation Appeal**

If you are able to support this appeal please scan the QR code which will take you the donor form.



Please see details about this important Parish project (which includes a complete upgrade of the function and kitchen spaces) in the church porch display and online at [www.howickcatholic.org.nz](http://www.howickcatholic.org.nz) Please support this important Parish project. We can't do it without you.