

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

Recently Deceased

Antonio Sanna, Nola Drake, Clare Connor

Others who have died

Mary Conlan (21st Ann), Bill O'Brien (2nd Ann), Nicholas Voykovich (12th Ann), Harry Mackwood (55th Ann), Wayne Mackwood (16th 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, Heidi McGowan, Kerry Bloor, Kate Pallett, Naomi Smith, Donna Agnew, Tina Payne, Lauren Tate, Graham Pointon, Ashton Baty, Margo Saidy, Sa'na Mashood, Kath Ferguson, Arlene Falconer, Rachel Breen (nee Hammond), Carol Viegas, Elizabeth Aoun-Darrah, Michael Vogel, Reynaldo Faypon, John Walshe, Caroline Egan, Shirley Kahn, Mary Donovan, Philip Cameron-Smith, Patrick Tam, Edwin Sheppard, Fifi Aoun, Hayley Davids, Rosemary McKinstry, Joan Stevens, David Guan, Kathy Kennedy, Noel Patrick Pearce, Anthony Mace, Ann Toomey, Robyn Viljoen, Ramon Fernandez, Loy Awat Obote, Leonie Agnew, Wendy Perrier, Bernice Bos, Wong Shiu Ling, Pauline Caruana, Pauline Dunn, Andrew Chalmers, Ian McEnteer, Teresita Borja, Jose Borja, Janice Mathews

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

ROSTER 13/14 JUNE 2026

READERS

6.00: Dianne Udy, Noel Vaughan
9.00: Linda Lehrke, Marisa Agnes
5.30: Youth Mass

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

6.00: Mike Giddey, Paul Kay, Benedict Chiu, Joanne D'Silva
9.00: Charles Hurst, George Joseph, Erling Aronsen, Philippa Bennetts
5.30: Francesca Adams, Henri Elliott, Laura Ponio, Margaret Quiding

ALTAR SERVERS

6.00: Zeka Mascarenhas, Natalie Choi
9.00: Malachai Chan Mow, Mia Kelly, Aden Mak
5.30: Isabella & Sebastian Dellabarca

GIFTS

6.00: Anil D'Silva
9.00: Edward Borkin, Rose Tam
5.30: Youth

COLLECTORS

6.00: Paul Kay
9.00: Colin Armstrong
5.30:

GREETERS

6.00:
9.00: Anita Chang
5.30: Youth

DATA PROJECTOR

6.00: Jessica Tout
9.00: Patrick Gade
5.30: Zeke Mascarenhas

SACRISTANS

6.00: William Cheng
9.00: Leo Sim
5.30: Laura Ponio



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

Weekend Masses

Vigil Beachlands

Saturday: 4.30pm
Saturday adjacent to 1st Sunday of the month.

Following Saturday's : Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

	Howick	6.00pm
Sunday:	Howick	9.00am
		5.30pm

Weekday Masses

Tuesday - Friday: 9.15am

Daily Rosary

Tuesday - Friday 9.45am

Novena Our Lady Of Perpetual Help

Wednesday 9.45am after Mass

Sacrament of Confession

After Mass 1st Friday
Saturday: 8.30am to 9.00am or upon request

In Parish Centre:

St Vincent de Paul Food Bank

If you would like to make a donation our bank account number is
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Our Lady Star of The Sea Catholic Church, Howick
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7 June
The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Deut. 8:2-3,14-16; Ps. 147B; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17;
John 6:51-58

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Exodus 19:2-6; Ps. 100; Romans 5:6-11;
Matthew 9:36-10:8

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

For those enrolled in the programme the first parent Confirmation meeting is on **Thursday 11th June in the Church at 7pm** and session one for the children is on **Sunday 14th June at the 5.30pm Mass.**

PLANNED GIVING TAX RECEIPTS

All tax receipts for the financial year ending 31 March 2026 have been emailed or posted out to you. Kindly check your junk/spam email. If you have not yet received your tax receipt , kindly contact the office on 534 8710 or email finance@howickcatholic.org.nz

MORNING TEA

Please join us for a cup of tea after the 9.00am Mass on the **14th June.** Come meet and socialize with Mass goers and also welcome new parishioners to the parish. All welcome.

MUSIC:

6.00: musiCora
9.00: Heartstrings
5.30: Life Teen

CLEANING:

Celeste Pratacio, Gerald Balighet, Jeff & Anne Marie Doyle

FLOWERS

Cherry Dela Cruz

LAWNS:

John Crowe

FROM OUR PARISH PRIEST

The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ is a celebration of Jesus Christ's body, a body like our own, genetically coded, conditioned by birth, developing through life, and undergoing the terrible relinquishment of death. It is a celebration of his body, moreover, which he identified with bread and wine in his Last Supper, given to us as the food of faith. We literally take into our own bodies the body of the Saviour. This re-enacts the Incarnation: God once again takes human flesh. We are the indwelling.

Communion also re-enacts our redemption. Each time we celebrate this sacrament we embody the covenant of Christ, wherein God sees in us anew the flesh of Jesus. It was not by the "blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood" that we were redeemed. Jesus Christ, "body, blood, soul, and divinity," becomes substantially one with our bodies as our very food and sustenance. Thus God beholds each of us and sees the beloved Son sent to heal us.

But it is not only God's vision of us that is affected. Our own vision of ourselves and of each other is transformed. If we fully penetrate this mystery, we are empowered to see each other as God sees us: as the body and blood of Christ.

The consecration at the Eucharist is marked by the words, "This is my body. . . . This is my blood." Through our Communion, the words apply to each of us. Transubstantiation, then, applies not only to the appearances of bread and wine, it also applies to the appearances of human flesh.

In his work "The Weight of Glory," C. S. Lewis wrote: "Next to the Blessed Sacrament itself, your neighbour is the holiest object presented to your senses." Christ's body is as hidden in the least of us as it is under the appearances of bread and wine. Both are sacred.

God Bless

Fr Rob

PARISH YOUTH NEWS

Youth Mass

Join us for our Youth Mass at **5.30pm on Sunday 14th June**. Come along after the Youth Mass for a fun night of faith, fellowship and immaculate vibes! We're starting at 6:30pm in the parish centre, and going to 8:30pm. Bring along your friends, and we can't wait to see you there!

JAMMIES IN JUNE

Saint Vincent De Paul will once again be collecting pyjamas for this appeal. This is the Middlemore Foundation's annual campaign which aims to provide 20 000 children with a new pair of pyjamas. If you are able to help, please put (**new only**) pyjamas in the box provided (next to the SVDP baskets) at the back of the church. Many thanks for your support for this worthwhile appeal. Libby Giddey – 534 3183 or giddeyml@xtra.co.nz

A MESSAGE FROM THE PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

A message from the Parish Leadership Team.

We are excited to announce the upcoming launch of our Parish Kōrero, starting with our first topic, **Whanaungatanga ~ Belonging**. The displays in the foyer invite you to reflect and contribute your ideas around this topic. Please add your ideas and thoughts onto the display or visit the QR code below to complete an online form. Your contribution to the theme of belonging is important to us. The final date for contributions is Monday 22 June.

We'll work through the two other topics - Faith Formation and Liturgy - one at a time, listening carefully and sharing back what we've heard from you, before moving on.

A full Parish Kōrero gathering is also planned for later in the year.

Your Parish Leadership Team



OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL, HOWICK, AUCKLAND LEARNING ASSISTANT VACANCY

We are seeking a caring, positive, and dedicated Learning Assistant to join our collaborative school team.

- Supporting students with identified learning needs both in the classroom and playground
- Assisting students with personal care, including nappy changing
- Encouraging student engagement, independence, and confidence
- Working closely with teachers, specialists, and whānau to support student progress
- Monday to Friday, 8:45am – 12:30pm
- School Term Time Only

Please send CV containing the contact details of two referees to sandell@starofthesea.school.nz. Applications close Wednesday 17th June.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

Friday 5th June was World Environment Day. It invites us to pause and consider our relationship with the Earth — not just as a planet we live on, but as a sacred gift from God. We know as Catholics that caring for creation is not just an environmental concern — it's a spiritual and moral one. Catholic Social Teaching has long affirmed the dignity of every person and the responsibility we share to protect both human life and the natural world. In *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis speaks clearly: the health of the Earth and the well-being of the poor are deeply connected. Environmental destruction doesn't affect everyone equally. Often, it's the poorest communities — those least responsible for the damage — who bear the greatest burden. Creation care isn't a political stance. It's an act of faith. When we care for forests, waterways, and the climate, we are also caring for families who depend on clean air, safe drinking water, and a stable climate to live with dignity. Take a moment to renew our commitment to protect it, not only for ourselves but for the sake of those who are most vulnerable and for the generations yet to come.