MASS TIMES

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday	6.00pm
Sunday	8:00am & 9:30am

Weekday Eucharist

Monday	9:15am
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday	9:15am

Tuesday Reconciliation & Exposition will take place after the 9:15 am Mass and continue until 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday - Novena at 6:45pm followed by Mass at	7:00pm
First Friday (Mass of Healing & Anointing of the sick)	9:15am
First Friday Adoration followed by Mass	6:30pm
Saturday Parish Renewal Rosary	7:30am
and Sacrament of Baptism (By Fr. Ranjit)	10.00 am - 12 Noon

(Please see the Church noticeboard and Website)

Sacristan: Joseph (0220894049)

NEXT SUNDAY (26th July 2026)

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year A (Scripture Readings)

1st Reading: 1 Kg 3:5, 7-12 Solomon asks the Lord for wisdom

2nd Reading: Rom 8:28-30 God predestined us to become true images of his

Gospel Reading: Son Mt 13: 44 -52 The parables of the kingdom. commands

Psalm: Ps 118 (119) Lord, I love your

Rosters: The rosters for various ministries servers are on the notice board and website as well. Thank you for your generosity with these ministries. If you are not available, please try to arrange your own replacement. Thank you.

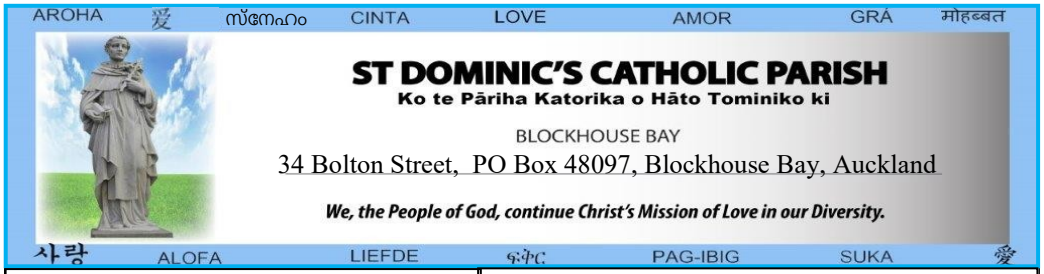
ALTAR SERVERS and OTHER MINISTRY Rosters

Sat 6:00pm Braelei Faith, Jason Yang, Zeyi Tang, Keyan Joseph
Sun 8:00am Eva Hu, Kathlyn Sun, Lucas Sun, Kem Vu, Sione
Sun 9:30am Jessica MacKenzie, Nithin Savio, Sean Joseph, Joshua, Chukku Chidi

	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:00am	Sun 9:30am
Commentator:	Reggis Rego	Irae Pule	Richard O'Malley
1st Reading:	Leema Rose	Mabel Vivera	Natasha Pinto
2nd Reading:	Carolyn Carvalho	Donald Holder	Valansea Fonoimoana
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Reenie D'Souza Susan Dias	Cyril Raposo Theresa Gomez	Vaoesea V Fonoimoana Florence Sevao Taliulu Maria Wijaya Teresa Joseph
Projectionist:	Josh Tham	Karen Vivera	Samoan Group
Chief Collector:	Joseph Moodli	Paul Reddy	Leonard Pinto
Coordinator:	Purity Misquitta	Mabel Vivera	Gogo Vui
Music:	John Smit	David Pereira	Samoan Group

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER
(Anna Su & Jerry Xing - 25th July '26)

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT ROSTER
(Nita Creado - 25th July '26)



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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

16th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year A (Scripture Readings)

1st Reading: Wis 12:13,16-19 In the place of sin, you give repentance.

2nd Reading: Rom 8:26-27 The Spirit pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words.

Gospel Reading: Mt 13:24-43 The parable of the wheat and darnel.

Psalm: Ps 85 (86) Lord, you are good and forgiving.

19th July 2026

The request of the servants to remove the darnel as it sprang up among the wheat probably reflected better horticultural practice than the landowner's deferral of separation to harvest time. However, the wisdom of this parable is compelling. Whether we welcome it or not, good and evil will ultimately be identified and accounted for.

However, rather than leave a painful purgation to the end, it is prudent to practise daily weeding of the garden of our soul as individuals and communities. Even small beginnings can lead to significant outcomes as the parables of the mustard seed and yeast indicate.

Should the weeding process prove too great on occasions we can take comfort in knowing that the Spirit will help us in our weakness. We are also encouraged by the assurance provided in our first reading today from the Book of Wisdom, that our good God cares for everything, is mild in judgement and governs with lenience.

~ God's Word 2026

The Pontifical Society of St Peter the Apostle, one of the Pope's missionary arms, currently supports 81,393 seminarians training in third world countries. The Church in NZ has been blessed by priests from the Philippines, Indonesia, India and Uganda serving our people. Can you offer a donation or financial support for this work? Donate to MissioNZ 06-0411-0021447-00

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Parish News

Dear Parishioners, We invite members of St. Dominic's Parish to consider serving on our Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Committee, or Liturgy Committee. Thank you. Fr. Ranjit Ekka.

Upcoming Events:

1) 26 July 2026 – Grandparents Day
2) Parish Feast: 2 Aug 2026
3) Triduum for Parish Feast (29–31 July 2026 | Wed–Fri) - 6:30 PM Novena -7:00 PM Mass
4) 15 Aug 2026 (Sat) – Assumption of Mother Mary: Mass at 9:15 AM

The NZCBC warmly invites clergy, parish liturgy teams, school staff, deacons, and all involved in the preparation of the sacred liturgy to a ***Ars Celebrandi* - special workshop** with international liturgist **Fr Paul Turner**. Inspired by Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter Desiderio Desideravi, this workshop will explore the ars celebrandi, the art of celebrating the liturgy with reverence, understanding, and fidelity to the mind and heart of the Church. Fr Paul Turner will lead practical and enriching session aimed at deepening our understanding of the Eucharist and strengthening the celebration of Mass in our parishes and schools. Date: Saturday 25th July, Venue: Christ the King Church, Mt Roskill Time: Start at 10am to 2.30pm Morning Tea provided. **Register at: www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/paul-turner/**

John Pridmore Mission – August 2026 Join internationally renowned Catholic evangelist John Pridmore this August for a series of inspiring three-night missions across the Diocese of Auckland. Once caught in London's criminal underworld, John's life was transformed by a profound encounter with Christ. Through his powerful testimony, prayer, and message of hope, he invites people of all ages to experience God's mercy, love, and the life-changing power of faith.

Mission locations: St Joseph's Church, Takapuna – 17–19 August, 7:00 pm nightly; Sacred Heart Church, Ponsonby – 24–26 August, 7:00 pm nightly; St Anne's Church, Manurewa – 31 Aug – 2 Sep, 7:00 pm nightly. Admission is free, Come along and invite your family and friends.

Tetelestai Inner Healing Ministries invites you with family and friends to an Inner Healing retreat from **23rd July to 27th July 2026** at St. Dominic Church, 34, Bolton Street, Blockhouse Bay, Auckland. A journey with Christ to release past hurts, nurture your emotional well-being, and receive a deep sense of peace. Come and begin your path to experience your renewed peace in Christ. No Registration, Love Offering will be collected. BYO: Bible, Notebook, Lunch. For further details, see the notice board or contact Betsy 0211653856 or Reggis 0274040129. email:jesuslightinnerhealingministry@gmail.com

"REQUESTS FOR MASS" Envelopes are available at the back of the church.

CUT OFF Times for items in the newsletter is 3:00pm THURSDAY. THANK YOU

Welcome to St Dominic's Parish Community: We extend a warm welcome to all new parishioners joining our community. We would love to stay connected with you - please take a moment to register at our website. **https://blockhousebaycatholic.org.nz/registration/**

Planned Giving & Donations: We invite you to join our Planned Giving programme. Your generosity sustains the mission and life of our parish. If you would like to join our Planned Giving programme, please email **stdomspgc@gmail.com** or contact the Office. For online contributions, please use the following details:

Account Name : ST DOMINIC'S BLOCKHOUSE BAY

Account No. : 02-0108-0707980-00 Ref : Your name and planned giving number

We also encourage parishioners who currently use envelope giving to consider switching to online contributions. This helps reduce the high cost of sourcing the Planned Giving envelopes and the administrative effect involved, allowing more of our parish resources to support our mission.

Planned Giving envelopes for 2026–2027 is available to collect from Parish Office.
Receipts for the 2025–26 period are now available in the church foyer.
Kindly collect the PG envelopes and Receipts issued **only in your name**.

St Dominic's School News

Across the Path - from the School Principal

Term Wrap-Up: Thank you for supporting our school community this term as our students continue to grow, learn, and share the unique gifts given to them by God.
Have a wonderful break!

~ Daniel Pepper

PARISH FEAST DAY CELEBRATION – 2026

Fr. Ranjit Ekka, Parish Priest, Deacon Clive Goodman and The Parish Pastoral Council of St. Dominic's Catholic Parish, Blockhouse Bay

Warmly invites YOU to

Come and be a part of our Parish Feast Day celebration— together, let's create a day filled with fun, fellowship, and vibrant community spirit!

SUNDAY 2 August

Time: After the 09:30am Mass

Location: St. Dominic's Catholic Primary School Hall

A family friendly event for all ages with games and a chance to win some prizes!

Followed by lunch

Your helping hands will make a big difference! Contact Natasha via the office email – office@stdominicsbhb.org.nz if you can assist

Other News

Interested in becoming a Catholic? We run sessions every Sunday to prepare adult candidates to join the church through the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). Please contact Donald Holder (RCIA Coordinator) 021 241 0448 or the St. Dominic's Parish Office.

HOUSIE: Every Tuesday at 7:30pm in the Blockhouse Bay Community Centre. St. Dominic's Housie group need volunteers to help with various aspects of the activity. If you can help, please contact Anne Sia on 021 920 983. THANK YOU.

Knitting for Charity: We are a small group that meet in the Parish Centre from 2: 00pm to 3:00p.m on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. Our group knits small basic woolen items for the families at Monte Cecilia Trust. Learners and beginners are also very welcome.

Engaged / Planning a wedding?

Catholic Diocese of Auckland – Approved Marriage Preparation Course
Book your Marriage Preparation Course early 1 year for NZ and 18months for overseas weddings
Register & Book here: https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/our-courses/
For more information contact: Gerry at gerrys@cda.org.nz **M: 021 02247442**

Please remember the following in the Eucharist and your personal prayer:

Recently Deceased/Anniversaries: Leslie Creado, Philip Howard Sheppard, Carmeline Coutinho Rodriques, Sr. Joan, Kathleen Joan Rodgers, Tony L'Estrange, Eric Barboza, Clinton Joseph Correa, Helena Podwin, Ant Carroll, William Maguire (Bill), Frederick Rodgers, Sheila Sekula, Daisy Menezes, Maggie Rebello, , Vern Walker, Chris Sekula, James Joseph Maguire, Yvonne Ryan, Conrad & Margaret Rasch, Margaret Baptista.

For the Sick: John and Dolores Webb, Peter Mun, Joan Mulligan, Bozena Bakarich.

Please contact the parish office if you need to place a name on this list.