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 (13th September 2026)

24th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year A (Scripture Readings)

1st Reading: Sirach 27:30-28:7 Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

2nd Reading: Rom 14:7-9 Christ is the Lord of the living and the dead.

Gospel Reading: Mt 18:21-35 I tell you that you forgive not seven times but seventy times seven.

Psalm: Ps 102 (103) The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger and rich in compassion.

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 School Mass - St. Dominics Primary School

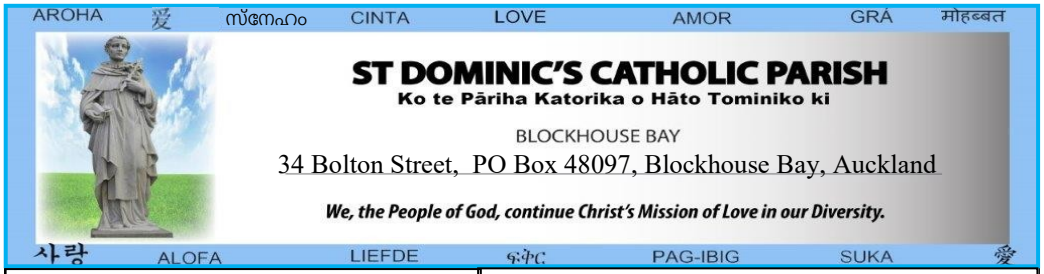
	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:00am	Sun 9:30am
Commentator:	Bendito Fernandes	Donald Holder	
1st Reading:	Kevin Creado	Karen Vivera	
2nd Reading:	Purity Misquitta	Charlotte Monteiro	
Ministers of Holy Communion:	Betsy Rego Reenie D'Souza	Paul Reddy Anne Sia	School Mass Saint Dominic's Primary School
Projectionist:	Choir Group	Annlyn Lopez	
Chief Collector:	Ferdilin Misquitta	Lloyd Vivera	
Coordinator:	Connie Fernandes	Anne Sia	
Music:	Penafrancia Group	Noel Tauro	

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

(Jose Alexander & Family - 12th Sep '26)

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT ROSTER

(Goretti - 12th Sep '26)



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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

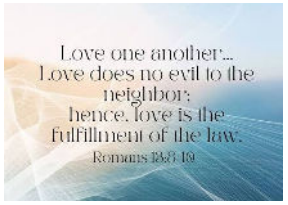
23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year A (Scripture Readings)

1st Reading: Ezek 33:7-9 If you have not warned the wicked man, then I will hold you responsible for his death

2nd Reading: Rom 13:8-10 Love of neighbour is the answer to every one of the commandments

Gospel Reading: Mt 18:15-20 When two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

Psalm: Psalm 94 (95) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.



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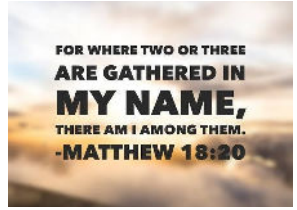


How do we respond when a brother or sister has wronged us? Are we quick to post about it on social media, broadcasting the injustice we've experienced? Or do we take a moment to pray, asking Jesus for guidance to achieve the best outcome? Jesus teaches us to handle situations where we feel wronged by speaking directly to the person involved and expressing our feelings. Instead of gossiping, we should first address the issue with the individual. If that doesn't resolve it, we can bring one or two witnesses into the conversation. Only after these steps should we involve the wider community. Ultimately, our goal is to foster good and healthy relationships with one another.

We must also recognise that Jesus' teachings apply also in reverse. When someone approaches us about a hurt we have caused, we are encouraged to respond with humility and openness. We should examine ourself and acknowledge any truth in their concerns. *Lord, we pray for your guidance in helping us become peacemakers with one another.*

~ 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

Parish News

School Mass – Sunday, 13 September 2026—St. Dominic's Primary School children will be leading the 9:30 am Mass on Sunday, 13 September 2026. As more than half of the seating will be occupied by the school children, families, and school attendees, parishioners who normally attend the 9:30 am Mass are kindly encouraged to attend either the Saturday Vigil Mass or the Sunday 8:00 am Mass instead. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in helping us accommodate our school community and avoid overcrowding at the 9:30 am Mass.

Father's Day Celebration – Sunday, 6 September 2026 - As part of our Father's Day celebration, light refreshments will be served after both the Saturday Vigil Mass and the 9:30 am Mass on Sunday, 6 September 2026. We warmly invite everyone to join us for a time of fellowship and to celebrate all the fathers and father figures in our parish community.

Training for Liturgical Ministers - A **compulsory Liturgical Ministers Training** Programme will be held **at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, 19 September** in our church, led by our Parish Priest, Fr Ranjit Ekka. **This training is required for all ministers to continue serving** and will provide updates on the latest diocesan guidelines.
New parishioners interested in serving as **Sacristans, Ministers of the Word, or Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are invited to register and attend**.
The training is for all ministers, including Pastoral Care Ministers, Weekday Readers, and Sacristans. Please make every effort to attend.

Holy Cross Parish Feast Day: On Saturday, the 12th of September, Holy Cross Church will be hosting our International Food Festival at the Parish Hall. Starting from 12 noon, come along with your family and friends and enjoy a wonderful variety of international food, music and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Hope for the World Conference Events: Pray, learn, be spiritually renewed, and become better equipped to defend life, strengthen families and bring hope to the world around us:

Demystifying Death with Dignity: 15 Sep, St Thomas More Church, Mt Maunganui, 6-7pm talk

Day of Prayer for Life & Family: 19 Sept, St Michael's Church, Remuera, 10-4 (with Mass)

Begotten Not Made seminar: 24 Sep, St John Vianney Church, Hillsborough, 1-5/ 6:30-9

Hope for the World Conference: Opening Mass, 25 Sep, St John Vianney, Hillsborough, 7pm
Sat 26 and Sun 27 Sept | Ellerslie Events Centre.

More info: https://fli.org.nz/ or contact Simon Archer on 021 400 729 | simon@fli.org.nz

"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/**

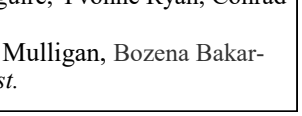
Planned Giving & Donations: We invite you to join our Planned Giving programme. Your generosity sustains the mission and life of our parish. If you would like to join our Planned Giving programme, please email **stdomspgc@gmail.com** or contact the Office. For online contributions, please use the following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

Thank you sincerely for your continued support and generosity.



St Dominic's School News

Across the Path - from the School Principal

St. Dominic's Day: We celebrated with a beautiful Mass, joyful singing, and a fun morning of tabloid sports! It was wonderful to see our school values in action.
Our School Values: Our core values—**Aroha, Unity, Perseverance, & Respect**—come straight from the 4 Dominican pillars (*Prayer, Study, Community, Preaching*) and guide our children daily.
Year 6 Camp: Our Year 6s are at Long Bay camp this week! This water-based adventure is a huge milestone in building their confidence and independence.
Year 5 EOTC & Leadership: With Year 6 away, our Year 5s are "running the school"! They are taking part in a 4-day EOTC week with local trips, teamwork, and a leadership retreat.
Pastoral Care & Workshops: Our Pastoral Care team works behind the scenes to uplift our community. Keep an eye out for upcoming parent evening workshops at the end of this term.
School Trading Day (Aug 27): We're hosting a structured Trading Day on **Thursday, 27th August** for Pokémon cards, football cards, and Oohies. *(Note: Siblings cannot be traded!)*
Faith Funny:
Teacher: "Why must we be quiet in church?"
5 year old: "Because people are sleeping!"

~ Daniel Pepper

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.

Administration Assistant Wanted! Marriage & Family Life Ministry is looking for a highly capable Administration Assistant to contribute to a ministry that supports marriage and family life. We are looking for someone who combines excellent administrative skills with a genuine pastoral sensitivity and a commitment to serving others. This is a Part-time role of 16 hours, at the Pompallier Diocesan Centre. For full details and to apply please visit please visit: ww.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/

Prayer Retreat for Women: Prayer and the Interior Life' Friday 9th October 6pm to Sunday 11th October 3pm 2026 - with time for Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, Personal Prayer and Spiritual Direction at Hillsborough, Reg: www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz

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: Tom O'Hanlon, 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.*