

*There is nothing so great as the Eucharist. If God had something more precious, He would have given it to us.*



# St John Vianney

## 317 Hillsborough Road, Auckland 1042

### 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 2023 Year A

9<sup>th</sup> / 10<sup>th</sup> September 2023

1st Reading: Ezekiel 33: 7-9  
 Psalm 94: O that today you would listen to His voice! Harden not your hearts.  
 2nd Reading: Romans 13: 8-10  
 Gospel: Matthew 18: 15-20

**If your brother listens to you, you have won back your brother.**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'



*My soul is thirsting for the you my God.*

Psalm 62

How do I nourish my spiritual life, my thirst for God?

**I SHALL BE THERE WITH THEM.**  
 Every Christian community experience difficulty in one form or another. Misunderstandings occur, divisions arise. Today's Gospel reminds us that Christ is present in our communities even when they are broken, when only two or three meet in his name. Healing occurs when we seek to embody in our communities the qualities of Christ, especially forgiveness and mutual love.

St Pauls Sunday Missal, pg.481

<b>Mass Time</b>
Sunday: 9 am & 5:30 pm
Monday: No Mass
Tuesday: 6:30 pm
Wednesday: 7 pm <i>(Reconciliation at 6:30 pm - 6:50 pm)</i>
Thursday: No Mass
Friday: 10 am
Saturday: 9 am & 5:30 pm <i>(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament &amp; Confession: 8:00 am to 8:50 am)</i>

<b>Fr. Samuel Pulanco</b> (Parish Priest)
<b>Helen Lelo</b> (Parish Secretary)
<b>Parish Phone: 09 624 3440</b>
Presbytery Phone: 021 654 146
Email: <a href="mailto:stjvianney@xtra.co.nz">stjvianney@xtra.co.nz</a>
Website: <a href="http://stjohnvianney.org.nz">stjohnvianney.org.nz</a>
Facebook: St John Vianney, Hillsborough
App: St John Catholic Church (Church App)

<b>Parish Collection last Weekend</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> / 3 <sup>rd</sup> September Parish Collection: \$ 1,325.60
Name: Hillsborough Parish
Account #: 02-0108-0707833-000
Code: <b>Your Name (complete name)</b>
Reference: <b>Offering</b>
Particulars: <b>Donation</b>

Day/Date	Coordinator	Musicians	Hospitality	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Welcome Welcome /POF	Projectionist	Sacristans
Saturday 9 Sept 2023 5:30 pm Vigil Mass	Tina Soares	Trevor		Jenifa D'Souza Chantel D'Souza Sangeeta Sequeira Hilda Leung	Beverley Mehrotha Gavin Mehrotha	Tina Soares		Tony/Claire
Sunday 10 Sept 2023 9 am:	Cultural Mass (Indian Community)	Cultural Mass (Indian Community)	Cultural Mass (Indian Community)	Cultural Mass (Indian Community)	Cultural Mass (Indian Community)	Cultural Mass (Indian Community)		Ashley
Sunday 10 Sept 2023 5:30 pm	Volunteer	Cielo and Abe	Volunteer	Ken D'Souza Melissa D'Souza Zach Pinto Sarah McAlpine	Volunteer	Volunteer		Volunteer
Saturday 16 Sept 2023 Vigil Mass 5:30 pm	Clementine Rodrigues	Spotify/ Volunteer		Jenifa D'Souza Chantel D'Souza Sangeeta Sequeira Hilda Leung	Claire Barry Palmira Fonseca	Clementine Rodrigues		Tony/Claire
Sunday 17 Sept 2023 9 am	Simone	Marina/Paul	Cultural (Samoan Community)	Maureen Lowe Lukeanne Lowe Anil Mathew Lucia Saldanha	Harry Lowe Shaila Pinto	Cultural Mass (Samoan Community)		Ashley
Sunday 17 Sept 2023 5:30 pm	Youth Mass	Youth Mass (Dena /Rejo)		Zach Pinto Shannon D'Souza Ken D'Souza Melissa D'Souza	Youth Mass	Youth		Volunteer

Cleaner Roster	
1 <sup>st</sup> Week	Asian Communities
2 <sup>nd</sup> Week	Smith Family (Samoan Community)
3 <sup>rd</sup> Week	Indian/Sri Lankan Communities
4 <sup>th</sup> Week	Tongan Community/Pacific Islanders

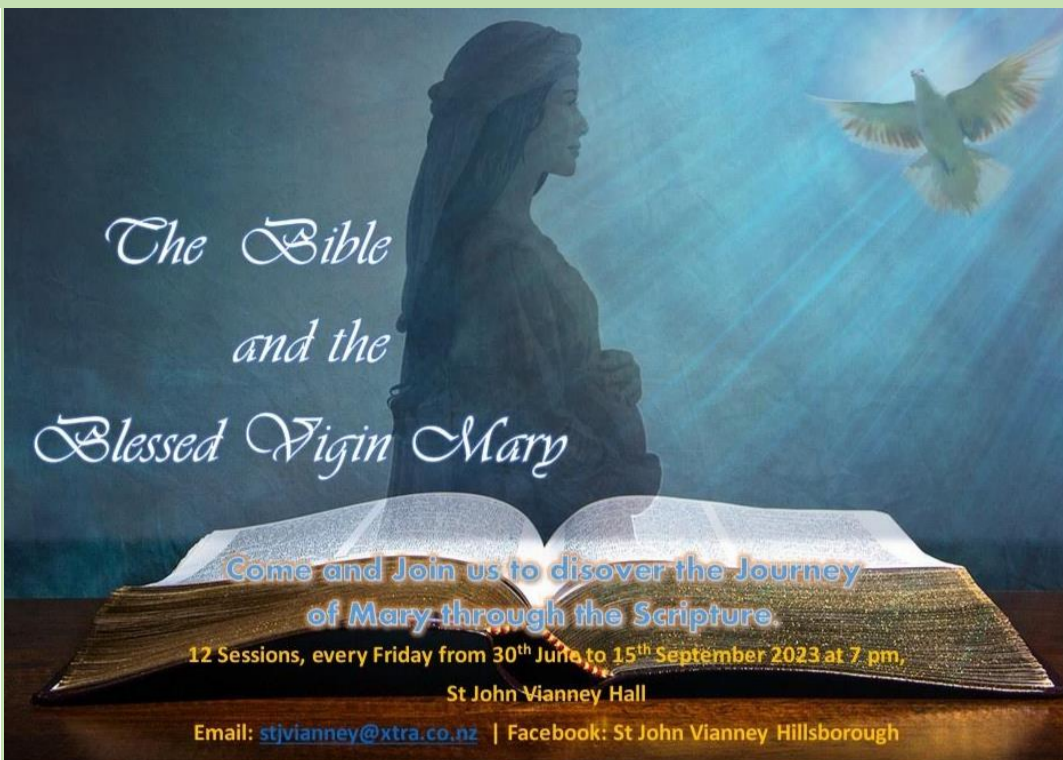
Flower Roster	
1 <sup>st</sup> Week	Asian Community
2 <sup>nd</sup> Week	Smith Family
3 <sup>rd</sup> Week	Indian/Sri Lankan Community
4 <sup>th</sup> Week	Rosita and Fiti

THE DIOCESE OF PALMERSTON NORTH are pleased to formally announce Saturday 30 September 2023, for the Episcopal Ordination and Installation of Reverend John Adams as Bishop of Palmerston North to which all are cordially invited.

## NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY NOVENA



Thank you very much to our Indian Community here at Saint John Vianney Parish for the successful celebration of the Birthday of the Blessed Mary.



**175 CAMPAIGN** – reflecting on our past by supporting those in need! As we reflect on the diocese’s 175th Anniversary, please join Bishop Steve’s 175 campaign through the Caring Foundation. By donating \$175 as a parish, a family, a group of friends, or individually, you will support families and people in need throughout our diocese. To donate, please pick up a donation card from your parish foyer or visit [www.caringfoundation.org.nz](http://www.caringfoundation.org.nz) to donate online or to find out other ways to donate.

**Our 8<sup>th</sup> session on the Bible and the Blessed Virgin Mary will resume on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 7 pm. Join us.**

**MASTERCLASS 16TH** September 3:30pm Auckland Catholic Ministries to Young People is excited to bring you our third Masterclass of 2023. Masterclass is a quarterly event dedicated to equipping, empowering and energising young leaders for ministry. Get ready for keynote speakers, workshops, praise and worship, adoration, and plenty of opportunities to network with other leaders. Plus free coffee and some fantastic kai!

**SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK** begins on Sunday 3 September, with the focus on peace and responding to conflict. The National Liturgy Office has relevant information here: <https://nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/social-justice-week-3/> Substantial resources are available to download from Caritas Aotearoa NZ here: [www.caritas.org.nz/parishes/social-justice-week](http://www.caritas.org.nz/parishes/social-justice-week)

Keep an eye on our socials as we announce our awesome workshop presenters! If you’re a youth or young adult leader, you NEED to be at Masterclass. Due to venue space, registrations are limited, so don’t miss out on this fantastic formation opportunity. We can’t wait to have you join us! Go to @AKCYM on Facebook to register, or contact [felicitym@cda.org.nz](mailto:felicitym@cda.org.nz) with any queries.

Handel Consort & Quire  
**20<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY**  
present

# Joshua

Directed by Robert Howell

**Soloists:**  
Gina Sanders  
Rosel Labone  
Iain Tetley  
James Roberson



Sat 30th Sept. 3pm  
Pitt St Methodist Church  
Auckland

Sun 1st Oct. 3pm  
St Andrew’s Church  
Pukekohe

Adults \$45, Seniors \$40  
Students are FREE with ID  
Save \$10 off the door price  
by booking via [eventfinda](https://www.eventfinda.co.nz).

*“The Handel Quire is small in appearance, but large in the production of its amazing choral sound!”*  
Rainer W. Buhmann

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**ST JOSEPH’S CATHOLIC SCHOOL**, Onehunga If you are a Past Pupil, Staff member or BOT member - we would love to hear from you. We are celebrating our 175th Anniversary Fri 27, Sat 28 and Sun 29 October 2023 Contact Melanie Duarte @[mduarte@sjs.school.nz](mailto:mduarte@sjs.school.nz) to register your interest.



### Upgrade and Property Maintenance

Upgrade powerline from the main source (street to the presbytery)

Installing fibre line for the house

Upgrading and changing the water main source (corroded)



### UPCOMING RETREATS & EVENTS AT ST FRANCIS RETREAT CENTRE:

For more info/dates and to book visit [www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz](http://www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz) or call 09 625 6651, Franciscan Spirituality Series - Learn about how to renew your relationship with your Creator through celebration, conversion and commitment. Next session is this Sun 3 Sep - 'Season of Creation' by Stuart Montgomerie- 2pm-4pm (Free) +++ Time Out Days – For those who seek a day retreat - 9:30am – 2:30pm (\$30 includes lunch) | Thu 7 Sep | Tue 3 Oct | Wed 1 Nov  
St Francis Open Day - Join us to celebrate the Feast of St Francis. Come explore the grounds and learn more about St Francis. There will also be an Animal Blessing Service so please bring your pets | Sun 1 Oct 2pm-4pm. +++Contemplative Prayer Retreat- Want to deepen your faith? Join us to learn about fruits of the journey of meditation in the Christian Tradition | Sat 7 Oct 10am-4pm | Earlybird (before 23 Sep) \$65| Standard (after 23 Sep) \$85

REUNION St Dominic's College Dunedin Please register your interest in a proposed reunion of those who attended St Dominic's College Dunedin. Phone 03 4543191 or e-mail [stunpaul@xtra.co.nz](mailto:stunpaul@xtra.co.nz)



**BISHOP STEVE LOWE  
AND  
THE G.I.F.T FAMILY  
INVITE YOU TO  
Celebrate  
50 Years of G.I.F.T**

17 SEPTEMBER, 2023  
**11.00 AM MASS**  
Followed by a light Lunch

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH, TELFORD AVE, BALMORAL  
RSVP 11/09 to [mylene@giftcentre.org.nz](mailto:mylene@giftcentre.org.nz)



**CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND ETHNIC CHAPLAINCIES**

# Rise Up & Shine Festival

**DAY 1 - Saturday 7 October 2023**  
Kids Activities, Food Stalls and Cultural Shows  
Starts 9:00am - Sancta Maria School, Flatbush

**DAY 2 - Sunday 8 October 2023**  
**THANKSGIVING MASS**  
1:30pm - St Luke Church, Flatbush

**MAIN CELEBRANT**  
Bishop Steve,  
with 7 x Ethnic Chaplains

KEEP OUR SPIRITS UP.  
CELEBRATE OUR  
ONENESS IN  
CHRIST

**2023 MARKS 50 YEARS** since Sr Jean Sinclair’s dream to provide for the needs of those with intellectual disabilities to learn about the Sacraments was implemented. G.I.F.T (Grow In Faith Together) is celebrating its Golden Jubilee. Bishop Steve and the GIFT family invite you to join in celebrating this important milestone. Sunday 17 September, 11 am Mass at Good Shepherd Parish, Telford Ave, Balmoral followed by a light lunch in the parish hall. RSVP by 11 /09 to [mylene@giftcentre.org.nz](mailto:mylene@giftcentre.org.nz)

**THE ETHNIC CHAPLAINCIES ANNUAL FESTIVAL IS BACK!** It’s all happening at Sancta Maria School and St Luke Church, Flatbush, Sat 7th – Sun 8th October 2023. The Ethnic faith communities will once again Rise Up and Shine showcasing their “riches of nations” in Food, Sport, Cultural Show, and celebration of the Mass in the diverse colour, language and peoples. Book this date! Get involved in your ethnic communities! Participate in the beautiful message of Isaiah 60 | Rise and Shine! It is the Ethnic Chaplaincies Rise Up and Shine Festival Time! See you there! If you want to be involved in the organising/volunteer email [louisar@cda.org.nz](mailto:louisar@cda.org.nz).

Registrations are now open to join us in celebrating 100 years of St Joseph’s School Pukekohe September 8th and 9th 2023  
<https://www.stjosephscentenary.co.nz/register-now>

**PROLIFE FACTS:** Before the election, Christians may wish to find out where the different parties and their leaders stand on life-and-death issues of abortion and euthanasia/assisted suicide before deciding how they will vote. David Seymour, leader of the ACT party, introduced the End-of-Life Choice Bill in 2017, an amended version of which was later passed by Parliament. In a recent interview on NewstalkZB, Seymour identified the Abortion Legislation Bill as the best thing the government has done in the last three years. The leader of the Labour party, Chris Hipkins, voted in favour of both the Abortion Legislation Bill and End of Life Choice Bill, while National leader Christopher Luxon was not in Parliament while these bills were voted on. The majority of Labour MPs voted in favour of the Abortion Legislation bill, and the majority of National candidates voted against it. All current Greens candidates who were in Parliament at the time voted in favour. Please visit <https://www.valueyourvote.org.nz/> to find out how candidates in your electorate voted on pro-life issues. For instance, many voted against the Born Alive Provisions amendment, which would have required medical care to be given to babies born alive in late term abortions. You can also contact the candidate directly if they do not have a voting record and ask their views.

For more pro-life info, visit Voice for Life at [www.voiceforlife.org.nz](http://www.voiceforlife.org.nz).

**Central Auckland Grief Support Group:** We are a small friendly Christian group, providing peer support to each other on our grief journeys. We are not professional counsellors. Most of our members have grief due to loss of a loved ones, separation, divorce or major changes in their lives.

We meet once a month, on the third Saturday at 2pm in St John Vianney Church. The meeting last about 1 to 1.5 hrs, with readings, prayers, notices, sharing, introduction of new members and watching a video, if time allows. Everyone just bring some snack to share for afternoon tea. A koha for the church will be appreciated. To find out more, please contact Mabel at [mabel\\_mullarkey@yahoo.com.au](mailto:mabel_mullarkey@yahoo.com.au)

## Parish Roll & Planned Giving Programme

**W**elcome to our visitors and new parishioners. If you would like to be part of the Planned Giving Programme, please feel free to complete this form and place it in the collection basket or leave it at the parish office.

Any questions or comments please contact the office.

**Please indicate:**

- I wish to be listed on the parish roll.
- I wish to contribute to the parish on a one-off donation (please contact the office for the parish account.
- I wish to make a bequest to St John Vianney Parish, Hillsborough
- I wish to use the automatic payment system.
- I wish to use the envelope system.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_