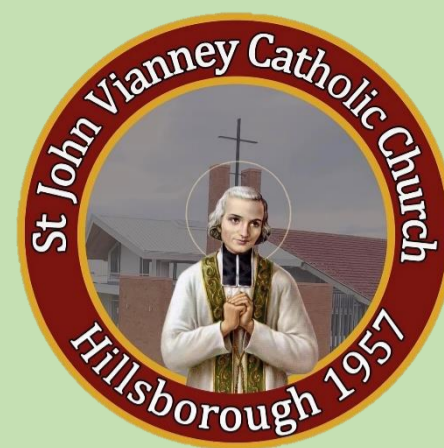


*There is nothing so great as the Eucharist. If God had something more precious, He would have given it to us.*



# St John Vianney

## 317 Hillsborough Road, Auckland 1042

### 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2023 Year A

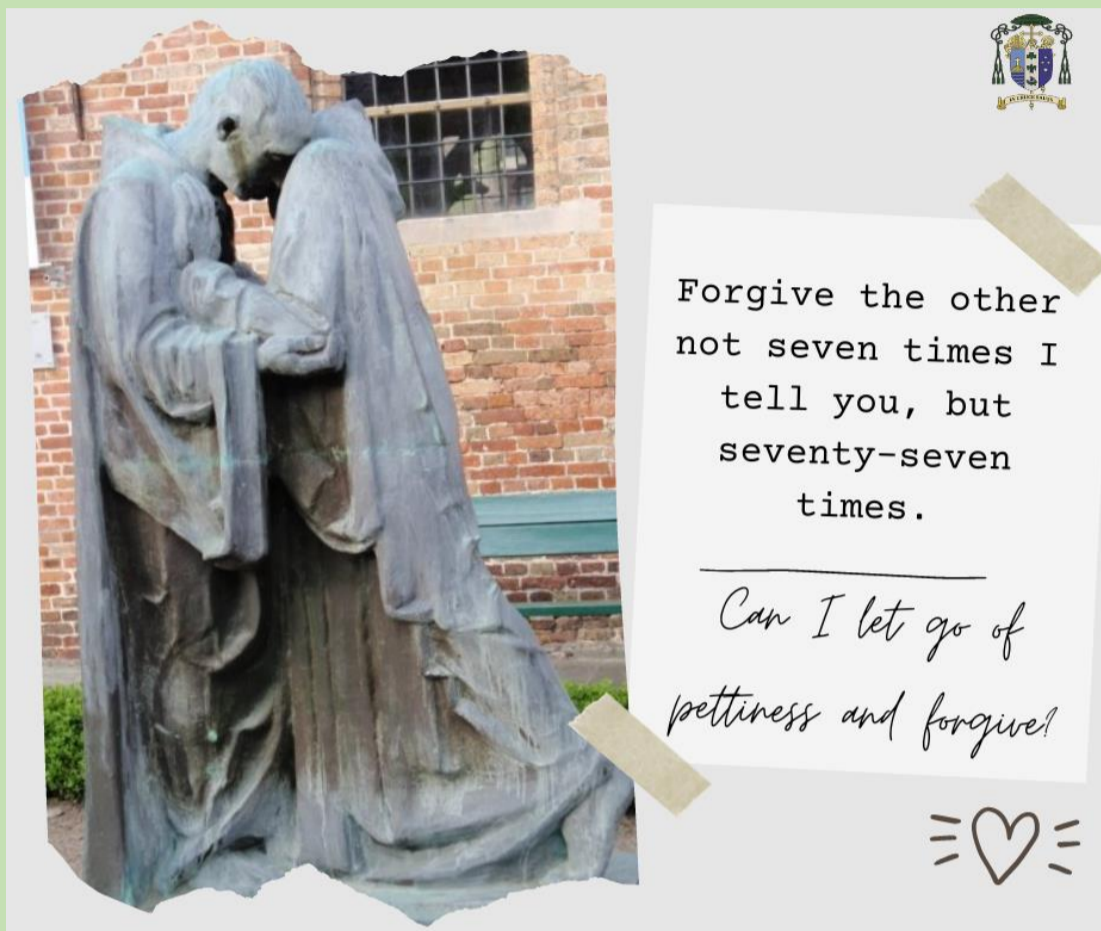
16<sup>th</sup> /17<sup>th</sup> September 2023

**1st Reading:** Ecclesiasticus 27:33-28:9  
**Psalm102:** The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.  
**2nd Reading:** Romans 14: 7-9  
**Gospel:** Matthew 18: 21-35

**To be forgiven, you must forgive.**

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.'

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time" he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me" he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'



**HOW OFTEN MUST I FORGIVE?** There is much truth in the proverb, 'to err is human, to forgive divine.' We all make mistakes. We all do or say things we later regret. And yet, when others wrong us, we can find it beyond our human strength to forgive. As we celebrate the mystery of Christ's love today, let us ask Jesus to heal our divisions and fill our hearts with his spirit of forgiveness.

St Pauls Sunday Missal, pg.484

<b>Mass Time</b>
Sunday: 9 am & 5:30 pm
Monday: No Mass
Tuesday: 7 pm
Wednesday: 7 pm <i>(Reconciliation at 6:30 pm - 6:50 pm)</i>
Thursday: 7 pm
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:</b> 09 624 3440
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> 9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> September Parish Collection: \$1,427.50
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
<b>Saturday 16 Sept 2023</b> 5:30 pm Vigil Mass	Clementine Rodrigues	Spotify / Volunteer		Jenifa D'Souza Chantel D'Souza Sangeeta Sequeira Hilda Leung	Claire Barry Palmira Fonseca	Clementine Rodrigues		Tony/Claire
<b>Sunday 17 Sept 2023</b> 9 am:	Simone	Marina / Paul	Cultural Mass (Samoan Community)	Maureen Lowe Lukeanne Lowe Anil Mathew Lucia Saldanha	Harry Lowe Shaila Pinto	Cultural Mass (Samoan Community)		Ashley
<b>Sunday 17 Sept 2023</b> 5:30 pm	Youth Mass	Youth (Dena / Rejo)		Ken D'Souza Melissa D'Souza Zach Pinto Shannon D'Souza	Youth	Youth		Volunteer
<b>Saturday 23 Sept 2023</b> Vigil Mass 5:30 pm	Arca Fernandes	Melroy		Jenifa D'Souza Chantel D'Souza Sangeeta Sequeira Hilda Leung	Janice Cruz Julih Tan	Clementine Rodrigues		Tony/Claire
<b>Sunday 24 Sept 2023</b> 9 am	Akata Sio	Rowena/Joel	Pacific Community (Tongan, Fijian, Niuean, Vanuatu etc)	Lilian Fo'ou Ralph Lautua Olivia Pale Sete Sevele	Angscar Palle Alise Sevele	Cultural Mass (Samoan Community)		Ashley
<b>Sunday 24 Sept 2023</b> 5:30 pm	Volunteer	Aaron /Leanora		Ken D'Souza Melissa D'Souza Zach Pinto Sarah McAlpine	Diana / Matthias Leonora Fisk	Volunteer		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.



**Open HOME**  
at Pompallier Diocesan centre

9th November | Thursday, 4pm 7:30pm | 30 New Street, St Marys Bay

Catholic Diocese of Auckland  
Te Taumata o te Hahi Katorika



**Register Now**

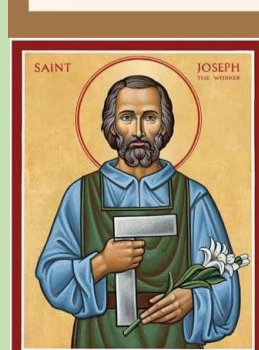
Bachelor of Divinity  
Graduate Diploma in Theology

- Study on campus or online
- Study full-time or part-time

 **Enrolment opens September 25**

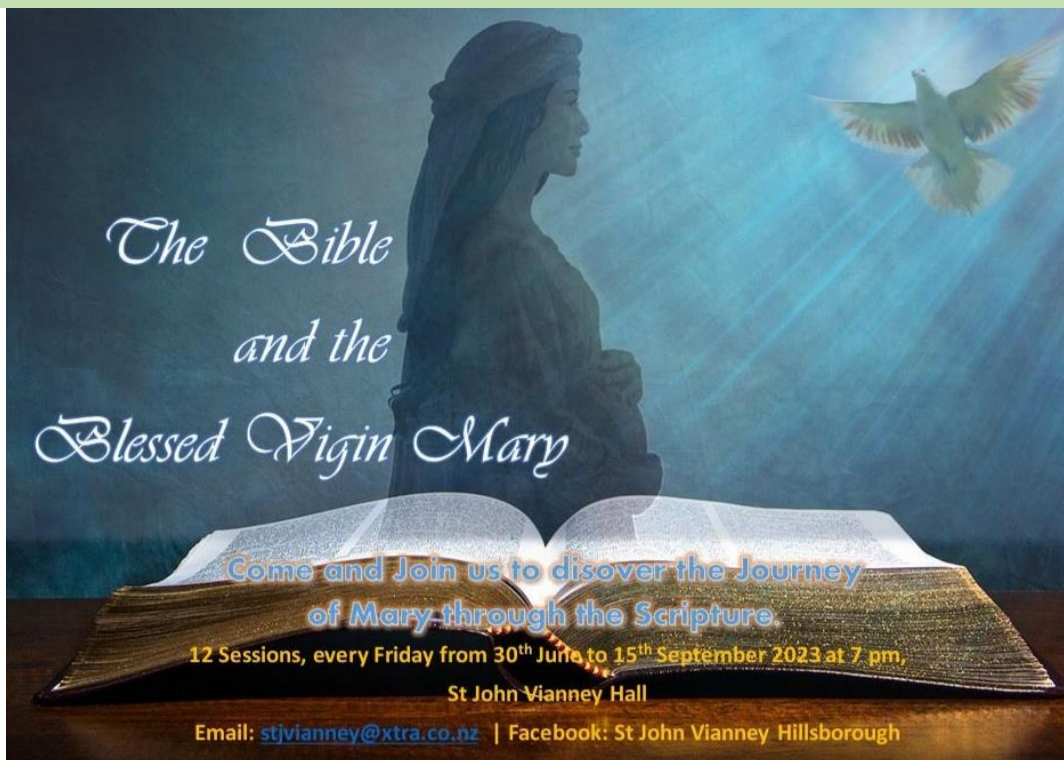
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**FOR MORE INFO**  
admin@ctc.ac.nz  
(09) 361 1053

**ST JOSEPH WANTS YOU!**  
Calling any man wanting St Joseph's help ....  
Come and find out how to be a man like St Joseph.  
Why? For help, guidance, companionship, support, or encouragement.  
When? 7:00 p.m. Wednesday 27 September  
Where? Saint John Paul II Centre for Life, 569A Richardson Road, Mt Roskill  
Want to know more? Call me – Simon Archer (Family Life International) – 021 400 729

**TE KUPENGA** – Catholic Theological College accepts enrolment for the Bachelor of Divinity and Graduate Diploma in Theology starts September 25.  
“With a dedicated and qualified faculty of theologians, and access to a wealth of resources, our program will empower you to critically analyse complex theological issues, foster spiritual growth, and prepare you for a meaningful career in ministry, education, or other fields where a profound understanding of theology is invaluable.”. To learn more about the programmes, go to [www.tekupenga.ac.nz/programmes](http://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/programmes).



**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 6<sup>th</sup> October at 7 pm. Join us.**

**FOR FIFTY-FIVE** years the Methodist and Catholic Churches have been in ecumenical dialogue. The New Zealand Catholic Methodist Dialogue Committee invite you to join a Liturgy of Repentance and Reconciliation. Preacher | Bishop Steve Lowe. Wednesday | 25 October 7.30 pm Methodist Church, 427 Lake Road, Takapuna.

**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)

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.

Join us in Rosary Aotearoa 2023  
Together we pray as One Heart, One Mind, One Nation with our Blessed Mother Mary

For more information visit:  
[www.rosarynewzealand.org.nz](http://www.rosarynewzealand.org.nz)  
Email: [RosaryAotearoa@gmail.com](mailto:RosaryAotearoa@gmail.com)

**Date Claimer 9 November** The Pompallier Diocesan Centre, 30 New St, St Mary’s Bay is a service hub for the diocese. And a mystery to many. On the 9 November from 4.00-7.30pm you are invited to an Open Home at the Centre. It will be an opportunity to engage with staff, explore some of the archival treasure, enjoy a snack, purchases liturgical resources and more.

**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.

## What is going on in our parish?



Every Friday the Crosspatch Group gathers for their traditional way of making duvet, pullover and patches works for their family and our community. Join them.



Mother's Prayer Group of St John Vianney gathers once a month to pray for our family and our community.



Fallon Emmanuel's and Leticia Ava's Baptism. God Bless you!



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

**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).

**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).

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_