



St John Vianney Parish

317 Hillsborough Road, Auckland 1042



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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, 19|20 September 2026

1st Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9
Psalm 145: The Lord is near to all who call upon him.
2nd Reading: Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a
Gospel: Matthew 20: 1-16

Jesus told his disciples this parable:
"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard.
After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.' So they went off.

And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o'clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.' When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.'
When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage.
So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage.
And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying,

'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.'
He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?'
Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."



MY WAYS ARE ABOVE YOUR WAYS. Those who had laboured in the vineyard all day were angry when the owner paid the latecomers the same wage. Like the story of the prodigal son, this parable reminds us that the kingdom of heaven is not characterised by our limited concepts of justice but by a compassion that knows no limits. May we not be envious at the good fortune of others but rejoice that we too are loved deeply by God.

St Pauls Sunday Missal, Pg.489

October – Month of the Holy Rosary

October is traditionally dedicated to the **Holy Rosary**, a beautiful prayer through which we journey with Mary, contemplating the life, death, and resurrection of her Son, Jesus.

Rosary Aotearoa warmly invites everyone to join our **Rosary Parade** on **Saturday, 4 October at 3:00 pm**, here at **St John Vianney Parish, Hillsborough**.

We invite every family to participate in this special procession. **Please bring an image or statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary from your home** as we honour our Blessed Mother and publicly witness to our faith.

Throughout the month of October, let us make a special effort to gather **in our homes and in our churches** to pray the Holy Rosary. Let us bring our families, our parish, and our nation before the Lord through the intercession of Mary.

As we approach our **election**, let us also pray especially for our nation and its leaders. May the Holy Spirit guide our people in choosing leaders who will serve with **wisdom, integrity, compassion, and a genuine concern for the common good**. May those entrusted with leadership seek what is right and just, and may their decisions be guided by God's wisdom and will.

Mary, Queen of the Holy Rosary, pray for us.

Mary, Queen of New Zealand, pray for our nation.

Lead us closer to your Son, Jesus, and help us to become faithful instruments of God's love and peace.

Come and join us in prayer. Bring your family, bring your image of Mary, and let us walk together with our Blessed Mother in faith and hope.

Mass Time

Sunday: 9 am & 5:30 pm
Monday: No Mass
Tuesday: 7 pm
Wednesday: 7 pm
(*Reconciliation at 6:30 pm – 6:50 pm*)
Thursday: No Mass
Friday: 10 am
Saturday: 9 am & 5:30 pm
(*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession: 8:00 am to 8:50 am*)

Office Hours: Tue., Wed. & Fri. 9 am to 2 pm

Fr. Samuel Pulanco
(Parish Priest)

Rey Grafia
(Office Admin)

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Facebook: St John Vianney, Hillsborough

Office Hours: Tue., Wed & Fri 9 am to 2 pm

Parish Collection last Weekend

12|13 September 2026

Parish Collection: \$ 1,142.90

Account Name: **ST JOHN VIANNEY
HILLSBOROUGH**

Account #: **02-0108-0707833-000**

Code: **Your Name (complete name)**

Reference: **Offering**

Particulars: **Donation**

*"No one has ever become poor from giving."
Anne Frank*

Saturday 5:30 pm September: A reminder to all ministers PLEASE come 10-15 minutes before the MASS to prepare yourselves in the Sacred Liturgy.

Date	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers	Choir	Counter	Sacristans
05 09	Novena Group Leaders	Jenifa & Chantel D'Souza, Mary Langton, Sangeeta Sequeira,	Liam, Joanna, Ayo, Kiara, Camerron	San Pedro Calungsod Choir	Trevor	Tony Clair Hector
12 09	Lester D'Souza, Brydon Rosario, Abyrel Rosario	Canute D'Souza, Melissa D'Souza Alison Lee Joe, Sangeeta Sequiera	Liam, Joanna, Ayo, Kiara, Camerron	Trevor	TBA	Tony Clair Hector
19 09	Hector DeSouza, Lydia Quadros, Fiona Cooke	Alison Lee Joe, Hilda Leung, Pinky Lemos, Sangeeta Sequeira	Liam, Joanna, Ayo, Kiara, Camerron	Marina and Paul	TBA	Tony Clair Hector
26 09	Aidan Community	Canute and Melissa D'Souza, Noela & Savio D'	Liam, Joanna, Ayo, Kiara, Camerron	Melroy	Aidan	Aidan's Group

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Date	Hospitality	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Choir	Sacristans	Altar Servers	Counters
06 09	Visayan Group (San Pedro Calungsod)	Addrian, Emily, Dale	Agnes Cuer, Dimple Espinedo,	Robyn and Paul	Delia Espinedo and her team	Pedro Calungsod Altar Servers	Dale Baracca and Cedric
13 09	Indian and Sri Lankan Community	Novena Group Leaders	Maureen Lowe, Anil Mathew, Arlene Baracca, Lucia Saldanha, Wilma Pinto	Pinto Family Choir	Cecilia and Fritz	Skyrah, Aschleyh, Shininan, Denil, Peyson	Ralph Lautua
20 09	Samoan Community	Grace Poloai Cecilia Smith Francis Ekeroma	William Naufahu, Tusi Smith, Rosita Ekeroma, Telesia Felipo, John Togafiti	Samoan Community	Ashley	Skyrah, Aschleyh, Shininan, Denil, Peyson	Sunil Pinto and Royston D'Lima
27 09	Pacific Community (Tongan, Fijian, Niuean, Vanuatu etc)	Angcar Pale Elizabeth Bourke Alise Sevele	William Naufahu, Olivia Pale, Phong Tran, Dimple Espinedo, Jessica D'lima	Rowena, Eric, Kevin and Simone	Ashley	Skyrah, Aschleyh, Shininan, Denil, Peyson	TBA

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06 09	Novena Group Leaders	Mary Langton, Zach Pinto, Jhenny Panadero Kenneth Pandero	Blake, Rylee, Mary Torres...	Marie, Jestry, Mathia,	Westy Choir	Marie, Greta	Tusi and John Smith
13 09	Janice Cruz Jhing Tan Cedric Tan	Jhenny Panadero Kenneth Pandero Irene Singh,	Blake, Rylee, Mary Torres...	Marie, Jestry, Mathia,	Musica Sacra	Marie, Greta	Tusi and John Smith
20 08	Ashton Suares, Anika Suares, Dena D'Souza	Mary Langton, Zach Pinto, Irene Singh, Marie Langsiu	Blake, Rylee, Mary Torres...	Marie, Jestry, Mathia,		Marie, Greta	Telesia Filipo
27 08	Diana Gomes, Jesty Chettair, Binaz Perera	Sarah McAlpine, Irene Singh,	Blake, Rylee, Mary Torres...	Marie, Jestry, Mathia,	Henrick, Cherry, Robert	Marie, Greta	Telesia Felipo

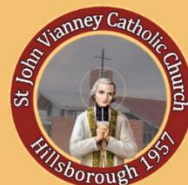
ST JOHN VIANNEY SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

As Catholics, we uphold the sacred truth that every person is created in the image and likeness of God. Guided by this belief, we recognise our solemn responsibility to ensure that our parish remains a place of safety, dignity, and respect for all who gather here.

Each member of our parish community shares in the duty to protect the wellbeing of others by fostering an environment that is both welcoming and secure — a place where harm and abuse have no place, and where every individual is treated with honour and care.

Should any concerns or complaints arise, please bring them to the Parish Pastoral Council, the Parish Finance Committee, or the Parish Office, who are available to assist and respond appropriately.

You may also contact the National Office for Professional Standards at 0800 114 622, or the Police at 111.



St John Vianney

Community Activities suggestion form

Have your say. please fill in the form or scan the QR code



Marriage Preparation course

Getting married in early 2027 ?
Don't leave your marriage preparation too late!

St Lukes Parish, Flatbush

10.00AM 4.30PM October 10 & 24
November 14 & 28

St Michaels Parish, Remuera

9.00AM 1.00PM September 26
October 3, 17 & 31
November 7 & 21
December 5



www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/our-courses/



CATHERINE MCAULEY SYMPOSIUM

Join leading thinkers from the UK, USA and Aotearoa at the Catherine McAuley Symposium in Wellington, 13–15 December. Explore what it means to be a faith-based organisation in a changing global environment, with high-quality speakers exploring leadership, identity, mission and the challenges facing religious organisations today. Earlybird registrations close 24 September. Catherine McAuley Symposium - Whanau Mercy Ministries

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Holy Cross Seminary, Ponsonby would like to invite you to join in our celebration of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Bishop Richard Laurenson will be the principal celebrant. Mass will be celebrated at 7pm on Monday, 21 September 2026 at Sacred Heart Church, 16 Vermont Street, Ponsonby, Auckland. Light refreshments will be served at Holy Cross Seminary, 44 Vermont Street, Ponsonby, Auckland after Mass. Any Parishioners who wish to join us, are most welcome.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES LECTURES

The Mass, consisting of Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist are one act of worship...Just as Jesus did with the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, he first opens their minds to the scriptures, and then proceeds to feed them afterwards. We recognise the same shape taking place within our Roman Rite liturgy: the Word of God is proclaimed, and then we partake as one in the Body and Blood of Christ.

As we approach the beginning of the new liturgical year, the Liturgy Centre is hosting its next series of Liturgical Ministries Lectures. These will cover basic theological foundations for Ministers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. To register, please get in touch with your parish office who will then complete a group registration on your behalf. Registration is mandatory for all participants.

Ministers of the Word: 10am-12pm

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: 1pm-3pm

Dates and Deaneries (exact parish location will be made available to those registered)

September 12 – North Shore

September 26 – Southern

October 10 – Eastern

November 7 – City & Central



BILLINGS OVULATION METHOD™

Natural Fertility Seminar

CHristchurch

Friday 9 - Saturday 10 October 2026

Who is this seminar for?

- Health professionals & natural health practitioners interested in women's health and fertility
- Anyone interested in becoming an accredited Billings teacher
- Couples using or interested in using the Method
- Women keen to understand and track the menstrual cycle phases
- Marriage educators, and community workers

The Billings Ovulation Method™ is

- Accurate
- Evidence-based scientific self-knowledge about human fertility
- Not dependent on regular cycles, thermometers, kits, drugs or devices
- Empowers couples to take control of their fertility to avoid or achieve pregnancy
- Enables women to monitor their reproductive health and general well-being



Scan QR code to register
For further details 0800 693 378 or
info@billingslife.org.nz

www.billingslife.org.nz

WORD & EUCHARIST

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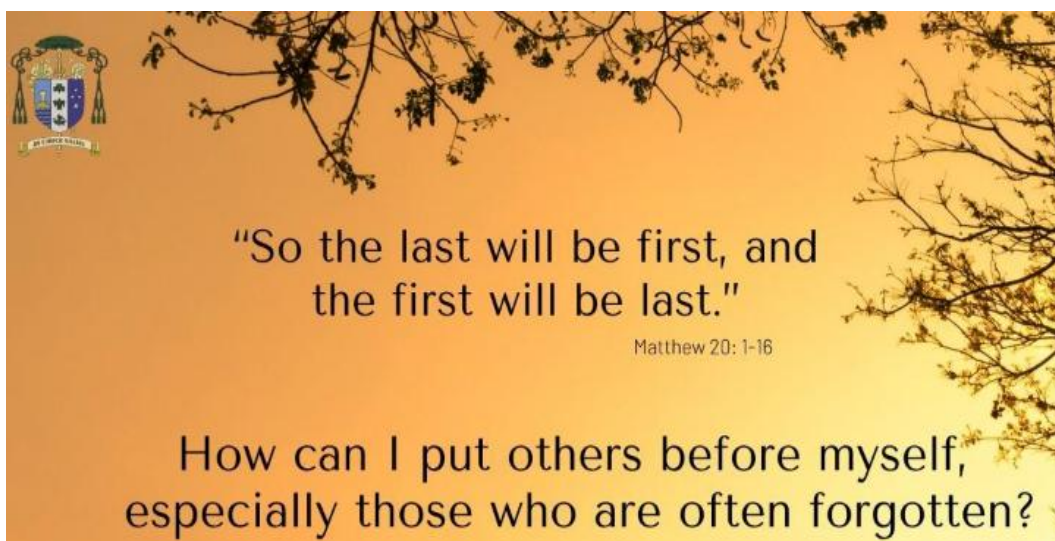
Reshaping

Diocese of Auckland



Liturgy Centre

Catholic Diocese of Auckland



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, working Mon, Tue, Wed and Fri 10am -2pm (with some evening and weekend work) at the Pompallier Diocesan Centre.

Marriage & Family Life - Alpha for Couples; Whether you're married, engaged, or dating, Alpha for Couples is a welcoming and practical course designed to help strengthen your faith and relationship. Through engaging videos and guided conversations, you'll explore topics such as communication, resolving conflict, understanding each other's needs, building deeper connection, and creating a healthier future together. Register today and invest in your relationship. We'd love to have you join us! Oct 8,15, 22, 29. Nov 5, 12, 19, 22, 26. Dec 3.
https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/alpha_couples/

Explore life, faith
and meaning
together.

Alpha

for
DATING,
ENGAGED, AND MARRIED
Couples

This is a free online course for couples interested in deepening their relationship with God and each other.

Alpha

When?
Oct 8,15,22,29
Nov 5.12.19.22.26
Dec 3

Curious? Join us!
Register by scanning the QR Code or visiting our webpage.
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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. Location: Hillsborough, Auckland. Register: www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz

 **Living Water**
Season of Creation 2026

Caring for our Common Home

An ecumenical celebration
23 September 2026 7.00pm

The Maclaurin Chapel
The University of Auckland
18 Princes Street
Tāmaki Makaurau | Auckland CBD

Click to register



Catholic Diocese of Auckland
Te Taumata o te Hāhi Katorika

The Maclaurin Chapel

 **WINGS.NGĀ PARIRAU**

Are you involved with: Ministry of Word or Eucharist, Sacramental preparation, RCIA, Children's Liturgy. This is for you!

OCTOBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER
4	18	1

Attend all three Sundays
for the WNP Year One Certificate
10am - 3pm

Pompallier Diocesan Centre
30 New Street, St Mary's Bay, Ponsonby, Auckland

Contact Dianna Fouhy: diannaf@cda.org.nz

LOCAL YOUTH MINISTERS WANTED! The Catholic Diocese of Auckland is looking for self-motivated relationship-builders to become part-time Local Youth Ministers, working in a secondary school and/or parish. This is a unique opportunity to make a difference in the lives of young people! To learn more and to apply, please visit: www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/

Parish Roll & Planned Giving Programme

Welcome 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: _____