Cathedral & Hill Suburbs Pastoral Area



St Joseph's Cathedral | St Francis Xavier (Mornington
St Mary's (Kaikorai) | St Joseph's (Brockville)

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11 October 2026 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

Parish Office

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Sunday Mass

Saturday:	**St Mary's Vigil: 6:00pm**
Sunday:	**St Francis Xavier: 9:00am** **St Joseph's Cathedral: 10:30am;** (9:00am Latin Mass; Chapel)
	St Joseph's, Brockville remains closed to the public.

Weekday Mass

St Mary's: Tue & Fri: 9:30am**; St Francis Xavier:** Wed & Thurs: 9:30am
St Joseph's Cathedral: Mon & Sat: 9:30am (Chapel), Wed: 5:30pm (Cathedral)

Confession
Cathedral: Sat 4:30-5:00pm

Exposition
Cathedral: Wed 6-6:40pm
(concluding with Benediction)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **RCIA** 7:00pm Wed 14 Oct for those considering entering the Church.

MISSION SUNDAY 100th Celebration

The Catholic Church around the world will mark the 100th Mission Sunday on October 18. The day is set aside to pray for the Church's mission and to support those who carry the Gospel to places where hope is fragile, where faith is young and where believers often face hardship or persecution. That support can be financial and through prayer.
Find out more at: https://missio.nz/

Donation envelopes for Propagation of the Faith/MissonNZ are available in the church foyers this weekend. If you wish to send your donation via the Parish bank account, please use the following details: **Particulars**: Prop of Faith; **Code**: 130; **Reference**: Your name

DIOCESAN CONSULTATION ON PARISHES - OUTCOME

I would like to thank everyone who has been involved in this process, which has been difficult at times, as we seek to build a strong future and foundation from which to continue the work of the Church in our Pastoral Area of Dunedin. The outcome to date is explained below in the simplest of terms.
Blessings, Fr Vaughan.

St Joseph's Cathedral Parish

- To remain an independent Parish.

St Mary's, Kaikorai; St Joseph's, Brockville; St Francis Xavier, Mornington

- The Hills Finance Committee voted in recommendation that these three Parishes be suppressed, and a new Parish be created to include the former Parishes geographic territories.
- Sacred Heart Home, Brockville would continue to operate its own independent chaplaincy by the Little Sisters of the Poor.
- The Finance Committee of the new Parish would have the task of recommending to the Parish Priest future initiatives for the good of the Parish.
- When Bishop Michael receives in writing the request from the Parish Priest to form the merged Parish, he will then take this to the Diocesan Priests Council for ratification. The next Priests Council will be in February 2027.

FEAST DAYS, SOLEMNITIES & MEMORIALS

14 October – St Callistus I, Pope; **15 October** – St Teresa of Jesus
16 October – St Hedwig, St Margaret Mary Alacoque
17 October – St Ignatius of Antioch

150 YEARS of Catholic education in Dunedin 16-18 Oct 2026

We are looking forward to welcoming back to Rattray Street all alumni from St Dominic's, St Philomena's, Moreau, St Paul's, and Kavanagh, as we celebrate 150 years of boys' and girls' Catholic secondary school education in Dunedin. Make sure you register as soon as possible. Follow our Facebook page '150th Anniversary Reunion at Trinity Catholic College' for photos and memories and see our website https://www.trinity.school.nz/ for more information and to register.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recent Deaths:
Majella Mary Cullinane
Anniversaries:
Monsignor Peter Mee
Requiescant in Pace

TE KUPENGA CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

…is now accepting enrolments for Semester One 2027. If you are a Catholic school teacher, preparing for ministry, seeking academic formation, or wanting to grow in understanding of the Catholic faith, CTC offers opportunities to learn and engage with Theology in a supportive environment. Go to www.ctc.ac.nz for more information.

PARISH OFFICE

Celia is on annual leave until Wednesday, 14 October.

PLANNED GIVING Donations for the support of Priests and the Parish may be given by Automatic Payment or Planned Giving Envelopes. If you would like to join the Planned Giving Programme, **please contact the Parish Office** for more information. Tax receipts are issued at the end of the financial year, of which one third can be claimed from the Inland Revenue.

SUPPORT LIFE SUNDAY - PRAYER FOR LIFE

Lord, you call us, your pilgrim people,
to be people of life and for life;
to journey in confidence
towards "a new heaven and a new earth"
that is characterised by a commitment
to the infinite dignity of every person.

Lord, look down upon the vast numbers of babies not allowed to be born; the poor whose lives are made difficult by economic injustice; those who are victims of slavery, war and violence; the elderly and the sick
killed by indifference or out of misguided mercy;
refugees and migrants
who find themselves rejected in their new countries;
disabled people who are excluded;
those who are exposed to and damaged by prejudice;
survivors of sexual and other forms of abuse;
and workers who are exploited.

Grant that we who believe in you may proclaim the Gospel of life
in what we think, say and do.

Grant us the grace to accept the Gospel as a gift ever new, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude, and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely
so as to build, together with all people of good will, a world of justice, mercy, truth, compassion and love.
To the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of all life.

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Parish Directory

- **Passionist Family Group**: Meeting once a month. Contact: Deborah Kelly debkelly@kinect.co.nz
- **Xavier Notes Music, Mornington:** Contact: Parish office will forward enquiry
- **St Joseph's Cathedral Choir and Choristers**: Contact: David Burchell d.c.burchell@outlook.com or ph. 021 135 2535
- **St Vincent de Paul Society**: 03 477 0555; www.stvincentdepauldunedin.nz/
- **Rosary**: St Mary's Kaikorai following Tue & Fri Mass; Cathedral Wed 6:10pm
- **Tongan Community**: Mass 1st Sunday of the month, St Mary's Kaikorai Contact: Hulita Makasini, ph. 021 162 1610
- **Filipino Community**: Mass 3rd Sunday of the month, St Mary's Kaikorai
- **Cathedral Sunday Coffee**: Meeting after Mass at Mitre 10. Contact: Raymond & Monica clarkraymond07@gmail.com
- **Friendship Club** Little Sisters of the Poor, for the elderly and homebound, Tuesdays 10-3pm. Contact: 03 476 2028 or email: dt@lspdun.co.nz to attend – free transport.
- **Catholic Young Adults Prayer Group**: Fridays 6pm during University term time at Holy Name. Email: dunedin.catholic@gmail.com; Facebook group Instagram: @dunedin.catholic.

All Parish Groups are welcome to be included in this directory by contacting the parish office: stjosephcathdn@gmail.com *or* hillsuburbspa@gmail.com

PARISH ROSTERS

18 October 2026, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST MARY'S **Saturday, 6:00pm**	**ST FRANCIS XAVIER** **Sunday, 9:00am**	**ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL** **Sunday, 10:30am**
Greeter: E Barton **Welcome/Prayers:** Filipino Community **Reader:** Filipino Community **Collection:** Filipino Community **Gifts:** Filipino Community **Altars Servers:** A & C Kubala **Overhead:** A Kubala **Counters:** L Finnerty **Cleaning:** C Howard, M Oskam	**Greeters:** D Dore, J Jacob **Welcome/Prayers:** School **Readers:** School **Collection/Gifts:** School **Extraordinary Minister:** G O'Connell **Altars Servers:** **Overhead:** M Garnett **Morning Tea:** J & R Kennedy **Counters:** G & H O'Connell **Cleaning:** Brosnahan Family	**Greeters:** R Kabwea, G Luby **Readers:** J & H Henderson **Collection:** M Rajaratnam, J White **Gifts:** Caragay Family **Extraordinary Ministers:** M Shaw, D Doody **Altars Servers:** W Currie, J Lodge, T-J Matthews-Nielsen **Overhead:** N & R Alahakoon **Counters:** Caragay Family **Cleaning:** M Lane

Rosters for all Parishes are available on the Cathedral website here: https://www.stjosephscathedraldunedin.com/rosters.html. Copies are also posted at the churches.