

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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17 May 2026 – The Ascension of the Lord – Year A

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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)

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Pentecost Sunday, May 24th at 7pm, Knox Church, Dunedin
Everyone is most welcome to attend this Ecumenical Gathering.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Visit of St Carlo Acutis's relic** for 10:30am Mass and talk, Sun 21st June.
More information to come
- **Confirmation & First Holy Communion** - 27/28 June
- **Visit of the Papal Nuncio to the Diocese**, 10:30am Mass Sun 2nd August

FEAST DAYS, SOLEMNITIES & MEMORIALS

18 May – St John I, Pope; **20 May** – St Bernadine of Siena

21 May – St Christopher Magallanes & Companions; **22 May** – St Rita of Cascia

Father Vaughn is on leave until Saturday, 30th May. The Mass Timetable remains the same and will be covered by various clergy. There will be no Saturday Confession at the Cathedral for 9th, 16th and 23rd May.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

This June, a relic of St Carlo Acutis, the Church's first millennial saint, will be visiting Dunedin. In preparation, the Little Sisters of the Poor are hosting an evening of Adoration on **Friday, 29th May at 7:00pm**, 295 Brockville Road. All are welcome.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries:

June Kerr

Requiescant in Pace

LAUDATO SI' WEEK, 17-24 May 2026 - "From Hope to Action"

Join with Catholics around the world this coming Laudato Si' Week as we listen and respond to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

"Laudato Si' Week 2026 invites us to move *from hope to action*. Hope is not passive; it is lived and shared through daily choices, community life, prayer, and concrete acts of care. This year reminds us that ecological conversion grows step by step—through relationships restored, creation protected, and communities strengthened. The next chapter of *Laudato Si'* begins with us, wherever we are." Source: <https://laudatosiweek.org/>

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.

SCAM EMAILS

There are currently scam emails circulating impersonating our local Parish Priests, including Fr Vaughan. These emails use the Priest's name and sometimes their image in the profile picture, but the sender's email address will not look genuine. If you receive any of these emails, please do not respond or click on any links and delete them immediately.

ST FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL

We have vacancies for all ages of children wanting a Catholic education and warmly invite you to contact us for more information or to come and look at the school. Please contact Claire: principal@stfrancixavier.school.nz or pop in and see us at the office.



PUBLIC LECTURE

The Theology Programme at Otago University is pleased to welcome to Dunedin Revd Dr Paula O. Latu, Principal of Sia'atoutai Theological College in Tonga. This year marks an important milestone for the Church in Tonga: two hundred years of faith, resilience, and the transforming power of the gospel across the islands of the Pacific. In celebration of this historic occasion, we warmly invite you to a special public lecture:

"Church Growth and Development: On the History of Christianity in Tonga"

Delivered by Revd Dr Paula Onoafe Latu, Principal, Sia'atoutai Theological College, Tonga
Monday, 25 May 2026, 4:00pm. Burns 2, University of Otago

Revd Dr Latu brings with him a wealth of theological insight and a deep connection to the living heritage of Christianity in Tonga. The lecture will be given in Tongan with English translation.

CARING FOR CREATION: The Cry of the Earth and the Poor

FOOD RESILIENCE IN DUNEDIN – Panel Discussion (Koha).

How can we feed everyone? The overshoot of planetary boundaries results in fragile social and ecological stability; 'Wise Response' among many, argue we must build local support systems now. You are invited to hear Robyn Zinck, Our Food Network; Antony Deaker, DCC; Tania Williams, Araiteuru Marae and Jennie Wagner-Gorton & Claire Speedy, The Valley Project, NEV. **Monday 25 May, Noon, DCC Library 4th Floor.**

Free refreshments afterwards Nau mai ki te katoa! Everyone welcome!

www.seniorsclimateactionnetwork.org.

TITIPOUNAMU STUDY & JOY

The Institution of the Last Supper with Fr Kevin Waldie sm

Monday, 18 May 2026, 7-8.30pm (Zoom)

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2026/04/21/the-institution-of-the-last-supper/>

YouTube Recordings: Álvaro Cardinal Ramazzini on Synodality (English/Spanish)

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2026/05/02/synodality-muffin-talk-with-alvaro-cardenal-ramazzini/>

For more information: www.studyjoy.nz



14 - 16 AUGUST 2026
KESWICK CHRISTIAN CAMP
5 COOPER AVE, HOLDENS BAY, ROTORUA



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

ROBERT FALZON

LEADER OF AUSTRALIA'S menALIVE

AUTHOR 'Importance of a present dad'

ALL MEN WELCOME

FRIDAY PM TO SUNDAY MIDDAY

MEALS & ACCOMMODATION INCLUDED

Contact: Mike Lobo 021 280 9285

Greg Sullivan 021 437 747

SPACES ARE LIMITED
BOOK IN EARLY TO AVOID
DISAPPOINTMENT
SCAN THE QR CODE:



<https://menforchrist.wufoo.com/forms/joshua-40th-anniversary-celebration-rotorua>

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 hillsburbspa@gmail.com

PARISH ROSTERS

24 May 2026, Pentecost Sunday

ST MARY'S Saturday, 6:00pm	ST FRANCIS XAVIER Sunday, 9:00am	ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL Sunday, 10:30am
<p>Greeter: S Kubala Reader: A Kubala Welcome/Prayers: E Makasini Collection: E & D Barton Gifts: Taungapeau Family Altars Servers: M Rietveld, O Reju Overhead: L Dempster Counters: L Finnerty Cleaning: B McCaig, P Campbell</p>	<p>Greeters: G O'Connell, S Kennedy Welcome/Prayers: S Forde Readers: J Jacob, M Jarka Collection/Gifts: I & L Sefo Extraordinary Minister: C Sullivan Altars Servers: Overhead: D More Morning Tea: N Mulhall, R O'Connell Counters: G & H O'Connell Cleaning: Brosnahan Family</p>	<p>Greeters: F Filguieras, J Dawkins Readers: Pupualii Family Collection: D Doody, J White Gifts: R & M Clark Extraordinary Ministers: G & B Magnuson Altars Servers: J A Jineesh, J Jineesh, T-J Matthews-Nielsen Overhead: Connolly Family Counters: Pupualii Family Cleaning: Tuitea Family</p>

Rosters for all Parishes are available on the Cathedral website here:

<https://www.stjosephscathedraldunedin.com/rosters.html>. Copies are also posted at the churches.