

We pray for all the sick in our community including Caitlin Westcott and John Schischka. We pray for all the deceased including Nel Schnyder, Maureen Beckham and Anita Malcon. We pray too for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Catholic gifts, baptism candles, Confirmation gifts - rosaries, crucifixes, devotion booklets and a variety of birthday, sympathy & get-well cards at Never Ending Books, Shop 4, The Village, Moenui Ave, Orewa. Store is open 9.00am-4.00pm Mon-Sat and 11.30am-3.30pm on Sundays.

Bishop's Forum: All are invited to attend the annual forum on Sunday 27 May, 1pm-3pm at St Columba Centre, 40 Vermont Str, Ponsonby. This year the focus will be on 'Youth, Faith and Discernment of Vocations', as well as other matters of interest. There will also be an opportunity to raise any issues.

Lift needed: Is anyone able to give Graham and Helen Kitchenman a lift to 10.15am Mass from Pine Road, Orewa? - even fortnightly will be a help. Please contact Theresa in the parish office.

Choral Vigil Mass for Pentecost with the Cathedral Vocal Ensemble. Saturday 19 May at 7.30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral. Validated parking available at the Wilson Car Parks on Hobson Street (\$4) and Durham Lane (\$2). Please bring your ticket to validate in the Cathedral.

Dove Catholic Fellowship

invites all women to a meeting on Wednesday 16 May, 7.30pm at St Thomas More Church Hall, 336 Wairau Rd, Glenfield. Diane Ingles will speak on JOY (Luke 1:46-47). Contact Sylvia, (09) 443 7477 / www.dove.org.nz

Carmel College: Enrolments are now open at all levels Year 7 to Year 13 at Carmel College for 2019. Please see website www.carmel.school/enrolment for further details.

Altar Server Robes: Thank you to everyone who generously donated funds towards the replacement altar robes. We now have sufficient funds to place the order.

A working bee will be held at St Johns church on Saturday 19 May starting at 8:30 am (weather permitting). We have 16 camellia trees to plant in the memorial garden and we need to top up one of the plot areas with soil and pebbles.

We also have general gardening to do. If you are available to help, please contact Terry Cochrane, 426 2383.



Euthanasia Debate: Wednesday 30 May, 7pm-8.30pm at Murrays Bay Intermediate School, 37 Sunrise Ave, Murrays Bay. David Seymour and Maryan Street will be speaking in favour of the End of Life Choice Bill, with Dr Stephen Child and Dr John Fox presenting the case against it. It is vital to have many supporters of life in the audience. A question time will follow the main speeches. Written questions may be submitted at the debate or online beforehand at www.ericastanfordmp.co.nz

We encourage more parishioners to attend the Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion on Mondays at 9.30am at St John's. Our lay leaders put in a great effort to make the liturgies meaningful and it would be lovely to see more people participating.

Please collect:

- Sunday morning tea rosters
- Planned giving envelopes

Additional Ministers of Communion are needed for the 10.15am Mass. If you feel called to this ministry please contact Theresa in the parish office.

Eucharistic Adoration:

To have Eucharistic Adoration in our parish is a blessing for everyone. Please consider joining those who come for one hour per week day, on a regular basis to pray at St John's. Jesus says "Could you not watch one hour with me". (Matt 26: 40-41). Contact Leonie, 027 2223591.

Stella Maris School Open Day, 19 June, 9am-12pm, Years 1-6 enrolments. We invite you to a guided tour, to meet staff and students, and experience first hand the very special learning environment that Stella Maris has on offer. Enq. Phone (09) 427 9189. www.stellamaris.school.nz

Needed to Rent: Granny flat/unit in the general HBC area for a single male parishioner. Contact 021 311859.

Wool: If anyone has spare wool (including 8 ply) to donate to the knitting group for the poor, please leave it in a bag in either church foyer or hand it in at the parish office.

Our grateful thanks to all who offered prayers and help during John's hospital stay. God Bless, John & Jackie Straka.

Serving Spoons - Meals that matter:

Please continue to spread the word about our monthly free community meal in the parish hall on the last Monday of each month at 12.30pm. We all need support sometimes, so if you know of anyone who may be alone, or finding it hard to make ends meet, please invite them along.

Hibiscus Coast Parish Pastoral Care

The Sacrament of Anointing: The Catholic Church offers the sacrament of Anointing to its members who are seriously sick or frail, undergoing surgery or approaching death. Please don't hesitate to request anointing for yourself or a family member at these times. Please contact Fr John, (09) 426 5599 Ext 2. If Fr John is unavailable please contact Deacon Murray, (09) 424 7465, or Deacon Greg, 027 603 5132.

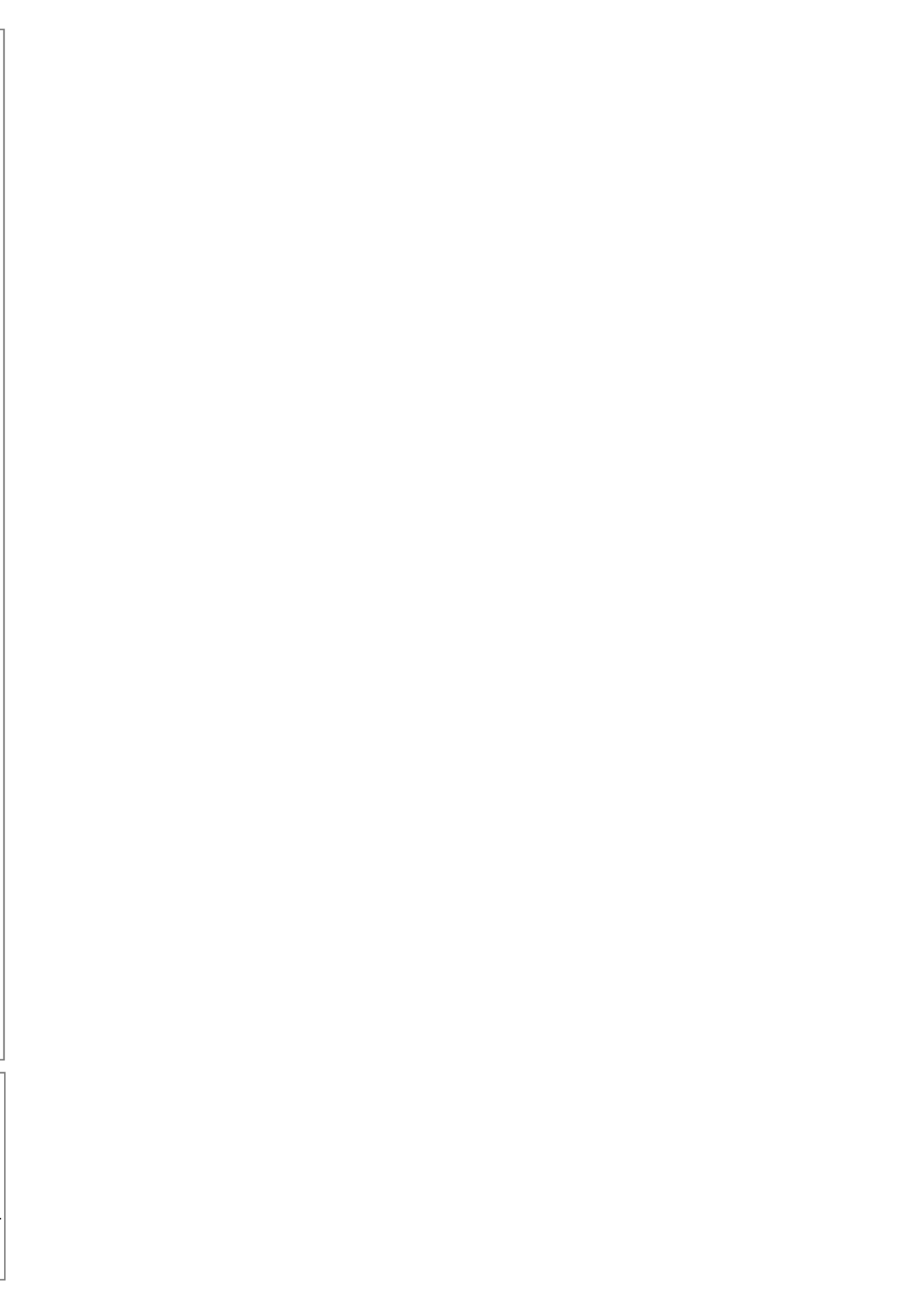
Hospital Visits and Chaplaincy: If you or any of your family are a patient at North Shore Hospital or other hospital and wish us to know, please contact Deacon Murray, (09) 424 7465 or 021 994 703. If you would like a visit from a hospital chaplain please let the staff know or phone (09) 358 0825 Ext 1019.

Care and Share: A caring network in the parish catering to the requirements of the sick, lonely and people in need. Contact Truus Tinsel - 426 9548.

Ministry to the Sick & Infirm: Those who are sick or infirm, and who wish to receive Holy Communion in their home or place of residence, please contact our Communion to the Sick coordinator, Deacon Greg Murphy, 027 603 5132 or annegreg@xtra.co.nz

Home Visits: Fr. Peter Gray, a retired priest of Auckland diocese, living in the parish, enjoys visiting parishioners in their homes. If you would like a visit from him, phone (09) 428 5376.

Prayer Chain: Please phone any of the members listed on the noticeboard in the foyer, if you require prayers for a special intention.



HIBISCUS COAST PARISH

St John the Evangelist Church - 180 Centreway Rd, Orewa
St Francis by the Sea Church - 8 Motutapu Ave, Manly

Sunday Mass Times:	St John's, Orewa - Saturday Vigil - 5.30pm and Sunday - 10.15am St Francis, Manly - Sunday - 8.30am
Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion:	St John's, Orewa - Monday - 9.30am
Morning Mass Times:	St John's, Orewa - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday - 9.30am St Francis, Manly - Monday to Saturday - 9.30am
Reconciliation:	St John's, Orewa - Saturday - after 9.30am Mass and on request
Eucharistic Adoration:	St John's, Orewa - Monday to Thursday 10am-2pm St Francis, Manly - Friday 10am-11am

Ascension of the Lord – 13 May 2018

This Sunday: Acts 1:1-11 : Eph. 1:17-23 : Psalm 47 : Mark 16:15-20
Next Sunday: Acts 2:1-11 : Psalm 104 : 1Cor 12:3-7,12-13 : John 20:19-23

Dear friends,

As we gather in our parish each weekend for Mass other Christians are gathering in churches in our area for their Sunday worship. They are our neighbours, friends, people we meet in the supermarket, perhaps even our relatives.

We gather separately because of events that happened centuries ago. We have moved on from wars among Christians, hostility and bitterness, to respecting one another and being able to honestly acknowledge the many things we have in common – at the heart of which is our shared belief in Jesus Christ. We have also found many practical ways to work together for the common good of our community.

The feast of the Ascension this weekend marks the beginning of the annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, which extends until Pentecost Sunday next weekend. It is a time to reflect upon how we each might do some small thing for Christian unity, prayer, reaching out to someone from another Christian church, contributing to foodbanks supported jointly by churches, taking part in an ecumenical service.

Nothing is too small in the work of promoting Christian unity. We are restoring that fractured unity piece by piece, and each of us has one or more of the pieces to put in place.

✠ John A Cardinal Dew
Archbishop of Wellington
Catholic Bishops Committee for Ecumenism

Parish Team:

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This week in the parish

Mon 14	9.00am	Sacramental programme, Hall
	7.30pm	Meditation, St John's
Tues 15	7.00pm	Prayer group, St Francis
Wed 16	9.00am	Rosary prayers, St John's
	9.45am	Mainly Music, Hall
	1.00pm	Indoor bowls, Hall
	5.30pm	Meditation, St Francis
	7.15pm	Prayer group, Hall
Thur 17	4.00pm	Meditation, St John's
Fri 18	9.00am	Rosary prayers, St Francis
Sun 20	9.00am	Sacramental programme, Hall



Pentecost Sunday – 19/20 May:

We need 4 more people to read an intercessory prayer in a foreign language at the 5.30pm Mass next weekend. The prayer will be provided to you for translation. If you would like to volunteer please add your name to the list in the foyer.

Tax receipts; If you haven't yet received your tax receipt in the mail, please contact the parish office.

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Stella Maris School: www.stellamaris.school.nz
Principal - Alan Watts

