



Our Lady of Perpetual Help

**St Mary's Parish — Maungaturoto — Mangawhai — Wellsford**  
**Saturday Vigil MAUNGATUROTO – Mass 4.00pm (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays)**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays – Liturgy of Word & Holy Communion: 4.00pm.**

**Sunday - MANGAWHAI: Mass 8.30am (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays).**  
**1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays Liturgy of Word Holy Communion: 8.30am.**

**WELLSFORD: Mass 10.30am every Sunday**  
**Tues 9.00am & Fri 11.30am Eucharistic Adoration Fri 10.45-11.20am**

## Trinity Sunday (a) – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026

Exodus 34:4-6,8-9

Daniel 3:52-57

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

John 3:16-18

### *the blessed and holy Trinity*

The mysteries of the blessed Trinity and the holy Eucharist underpin and shape our Christian discipleship and mission.

Like disciples in every age, we reflect on the reality of *the Triune GOD*. Jesus invited disciples to come into a partnership with him in order to extend the divine work. Jesus prays for them to remain true to the divine name, in their practise.

The image of partnership with the GOD whose name is revealed by Jesus, outlines the task to which we disciples are called. Jesus prays for a unity of destiny for all believers just as there is a unity of destiny between Father and Son in the Holy Spirit.

Today's texts are our point of entry into the sources of imagery by which we believe in order to understand our faith, worship and mission. The apostle, Paul, implies that the harmonious and peaceful example of a disciple's life reproduces the same characteristics in other community members and vice-versa. When life is lived authentically; when it is communal, reciprocal, complete; it shares characteristics of the divine life.

Paul's appeal for peace (*2Cor 13*) is one of the clearest trinitarian passages in the New Testament. The order of experience for Christians is firstly: *the grace of Jesus Christ*;

then *the love of GOD* and then *the communion (koinonia) of the Holy Spirit*. Jesus defines GOD's love for the world as the Father's giving of the Only-begotten Son. Believing in him means *eternal life*.

John the evangelist has a very negative attitude towards '*the world*' as the place of *no-life* and *darkness*. Before Jesus' divine mission, the world belongs to the darkness that has sought and failed to *overcome the light*. It is *this world* that is the object of the divine love; and it is to rescue it from the darkness that GOD, in a supreme act of love, has sent the Son into the world to be its Light.

Because the world has become so alienated from GOD, it takes an exceedingly great love to love it at all. GOD's '*giving of the Son*' hints that this sending will end in his death; death on the cross. The incarnation, described in the prologue of John's Gospel, plays itself out in redemption – the rescue of human beings from death – so that they may share in the divine, *eternal life*.

O Trinity of Persons, one eternal GOD, through WORD and Eucharist, empower us in the grace of the LORD Jesus Christ, the love of GOD, and in the communion of the Holy Spirit, that we may become active partners in doing GOD's creating, redeeming and empowering will in our world, until we gather again. – BF

***“The Trinity is a model of God's love for us. God: Father, Son and Spirit. Three persons in one God live united in the depth of love, in community, sharing that communion with all of us.” Pope Leo XIV Vatican City June 14 '25***

## **PARISH AGM AND SHARED LUNCH**

Following Mass today, we will be holding our AGM followed by a shared lunch. We encourage you to stay, if you can, as a way of supporting your Parish Council. Shared lunch follows the meeting.

## **Parish Volunteer List**

Thank you to all the parishioners who help with the smooth running of our parish. We are very grateful for your generosity and commitment. At present, however, many of these tasks are being carried out by the same small group of people, and we would love to invite others to share the load.

**A list of volunteer opportunities is available on the table at the back of the church. If you would like to volunteer, or would simply like to learn more about any role, please tick the area(s) that interest you.**

Please include your name, contact details, and your parish area – Wellsford, Maungaturoto or Mangawhai. **Completed forms can be placed in the box at the back of the church.**

## **Alpha in the Catholic context:**

Is presenting a series locally on Why Alpha in our parishes, How it will help and How it will generate vibrancy in our parishes. All are welcome to attend any one or more. Sessions are:

**17th June** 7pm Why Alpha. Why do Catholic Parishes need Alpha

**22nd July** 7pm What is Alpha and who is it for.

**19th August** 7pm Where does Alpha fit in the life of the Parish.

**16th September** 7pm How to take your Alpha from good to great

Please register on [Training Zoom for Alpha in a Catholic Context – Fill out form](#). or further information please contact Clare Bell on Clare Bell [Clare@alpha.org.nz](mailto:Clare@alpha.org.nz) or Dcn Steve Fraser on [stephenf@cda.org.nz](mailto:stephenf@cda.org.nz)

## **Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College:**

Is now accepting enrolment for the micro-credential on Management of Church Organisations. This is an online course over 6 weeks. Class starts on **July 20, 2026**. For more information, go to [www.tekupenga.ac.nz/churchmanagement](http://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/churchmanagement)."

## **Canon Law in Practice**

Webinar Series - Msgr Brendan Daly will be leading a three-part webinar series in June 2026 titled Canon Law in Practice. The series will focus on practical case handling, documentation, and rights-focused safeguarding. These webinars may be of particular interest to Church leaders, clergy, canonists, tribunal staff, safeguarding practitioners, victim assistance personnel, and others involved in pastoral and safeguarding ministry. Please see the attached posters for further information and registration details.

Please note: all sessions will begin at 7.00pm NZT

### **Fr Paul Turner Ars Celebrandi Workshop**

This workshop will explore the ars celebrandi, the art of celebrating the liturgy with reverence, understanding, and fidelity to the mind and heart of the Church. Fr Paul Turner will lead practical and enriching session aimed at deepening our understanding of the Eucharist and strengthening the celebration of Mass in our parishes. Fr Paul Turner is pastor of Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Kansas City, Missouri and director of the Office of Divine Worship for the Catholic Diocese of Kansas City-St Joseph.

**Laity Workshop - Date:** Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July. **Venue:** Christ the King Church, Owairaka, 260 Richardson Rd, Mt Roskill. **Time:** Parish Mass @ 9am Sessions start at 10am to 2.30pm. Morning Tea provided. BYO Lunch please. Register at: [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/paul-turner/](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/paul-turner/) Ph. Or txt Marie 021 054 4772 if you want to register and carpool.

### **World Youth Day Auckland 2026**

*10:00am-8:30pm Saturday 1st August at Victory Convention Centre*

Join over 1,800 young Catholics at Victory Convention Centre for World Youth Day Auckland 2026 - a massive, joy-filled day of faith, community and WITNESS.

Inspired by the Scripture chosen for the 40th World Youth Day, “You also are my witnesses, because you have been with me” (Jn 15:27). This year’s event is about fixing our gaze on Jesus and becoming courageous witnesses of Christ in our world. For more info and to register go to: <https://events.humanitix.com/world-youth-day-auckland-2026>

### **The Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship**

ALL MEN are invited to the Joshua 40-Year Celebration Weekend!

**When:** Fri pm 14 August to Sun midday 16 August


**Venue:** Keswick Christian Camp, 5 Cooper Ave, Holden's Bay, Rotorua

**Keynote Speaker:** Robert Falzon, Leader of Australia's menALIVE and Author of "Importance of a Present Dad". **Cost:** \$247pp including accommodation and meals.

**To Register:** Follow the link below OR Scan the QR Code on porter attached OR contact Mike Lobo (021) 2809285 or Greg Sullivan (021) 437747 **Link:**

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

#### **Wellsford Roster**

<b>Sunday 31 May</b>		
<i>Min/s of Word</i>	Whole Parish Mass	
<i>Intercessions</i>		
<i>Minister of Eucharist</i>		
<i>Morning Tea</i>	Shared morning tea	
<i>Church Cleaning</i>	and PARISH AGM	
<i>Leader</i>	Gay	

### Prayer intentions for the week

#### **That everyone might have food**

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

#### **Prayers for our Sick:**

*Matteo Gray, Petronella Brom, Geraldine Choromanski, Veronica Grigg, Theresa & Barry McCarthy, Gina Benade (Aust), Rosilene Finnegan, Richard McGrane (SA) Nanette Matheson, Michael O'Neil, Noreen Anderson, Liz Saunders, . . . .*

*Bill Lewis, Adolph Layec, Matthew Gould, Christine McHugh, Jenny McKinnon, . . . .*

*Margaret Pride, Dallas Colville, Alec Colville, Wilma Jansen, Loris Pricitor, Jill Grace, Caroline Milner, Lagi Sands, Teresa Graham, Gerry & Corazon Kok, Clare Jones, . . . .*

#### **Prayers for the Dead:**

For *Chris Ohlson and Gerard McCurran* who died recently. For those who have died in the current conflicts around the world. And for our dead whose anniversaries occur around this time: *Nowell Izard (1<sup>st</sup>), Douglas Everett (4<sup>th</sup>).*

### Readings: 9<sup>th</sup> Week Ordinary Time

#### **Mon. 1<sup>st</sup> June**

2 Peter 1:2-7  
Mark 12:1-12

#### **St Justin**

Ps.91

#### **Tues. 2<sup>nd</sup> June**

2 Peter 3:11-15,17-18  
Mark 12:13-17

Ps.90

#### **Wed. 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

2 Timothy 1:1-3,6-12  
Mark 12:18-27

#### **St Charles Lwanga & Companions**

Ps.123

#### **Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> June**

2 Timothy 2:8-15  
Mark 12:28-34

Ps.25

#### **Fri. 5<sup>th</sup> June**

2 Timothy 3:10-17  
Mark 12:35-37

#### **St Boniface**

Ps.119A

#### **Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> June**

2 Timothy 4:1-8  
Mark 12:38-44

Ps.71

#### **Sun. 7<sup>th</sup> June The Body & Blood of Christ**

1. Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16

Ps.147B

2. 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Gospel: John 6:51-58

## **St Mary's Parish**

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#### **Reconciliations:**

**Wellsford: Sat. 8.30 – 8.55am Maungaturoto: Sat. 3.30 – 3.55pm.**

**Mangawhai: Sun: 8.00 – 8.25am**