

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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23 August 2026 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time – 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)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **RCIA** 7:00pm Wed 2 Sep for those considering entering the Church
- **Fr Chis Skinner SM** – Nano Nagle Charitable Trust Concert – 2pm Sun 6th Sep

FEAST DAYS, SOLEMNITIES & MEMORIALS

24 August – ST BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE; **25 August** – St Louis, St Joseph Calasanz

27 August – St Monica; **28 August** – St Augustine

29 August – The Passion of St John the Baptist

DIOCESAN YOUTH DAY

Join us for Faith, Fun & Fellowship with other young people from across the Dunedin Diocese. Saturday, 5 September 2026, 10:00am – 4:00pm

Sacred Heart Parish, Invercargill (449 North Road) All youth are welcome—bring a friend!

REGISTER HERE: www.cdd.nz

CATHEDRAL GROUNDS BVM STATUE

As some will be aware, over the past few years, it has been talked about putting a statue of Our Lady on the hill between the Cathedral and Chapel. The Cathedral was kindly donated the statue which came from the now closed Palmerston church, which is being water proofed with new and spare hands being created in case of damage over coming years. A garden will also be planted at the top of the hill around the statue with carpet roses backed by pencil conifers. Fr Vaughan is undertaking the works personally, but if any wish to support this initiative please speak with him.

DIOCESAN HUI: Walking the Synodal Way Together

Saturday, 29th August, 10am-2:30pm | Mercy Parish, 42 Macandrew Road, Dunedin

Nau mai, haere mai — all are welcome!

We are fortunate to have Manuel Beazley (Vicar for Māori, Auckland Diocese) speaking at our Diocesan Hui, who will share his experience as a New Zealand representative at the Synod sessions in Rome and discuss the importance of indigenous perspectives on synodality. We will also gather in small groups to reflect on where the Spirit is leading our Church to be welcoming, participatory, and outreaching. Lunch will be provided! **Registration is essential** for catering purposes—by 22 August at www.cdd.nz

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recent Deaths:

Emmet Devlin (Dublin) and John Flaherty

Anniversaries:

Robert White and Bill Casey

Requiescant in Pace

FR CHRIS SKINNER LIVE IN CONCERT

Tickets Still Available - \$20

Sunday, 6 September 2026, 2.00 pm, Trinity College Auditorium

To purchase tickets, please contact: 03 489 8120 or nanonagletrust@gmail.com

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.

CURRENT OF GRACE CHARISMATIC MASS

We welcome you to join us in worship and prayer, celebrating our monthly Charismatic Mass with **Fr Vaughan Hook Thursday Evening – 27th August 2026 at 7.00 pm**

St Peter Chanel Church, 242 Main South Road, Green Island

A food basket will be offered for the St Vincent de Paul. If you would like to find out more, please call either Kathy Mayo 473 7115 or Greg Wansink 027 432 8838

PARISH WALK/TRAMP – Information coming next week for Sat 3 Oct.

GIBSON TALK SERIES 3, 2026

Celebrating 150th anniversary of Mornington Methodist Church

Speaker: Dr Peter Lineham MNZM. **Topic:** The Methodist Approach to Church Structure

When: Wednesday 26 August 2026 at 7pm. **Where:** Mornington Methodist Church (corner of Galloway and Whitby Streets). **Admission:** \$5 or other Koha. All welcome.

Emeritus Professor Peter Lineham MNZM is a well-known historian specializing in church history. He has written and lectured extensively on the religious history of NZ and is a regular and highly respected commentator on religious matters in NZ.

We invite our friends from other churches around Dunedin to join us – this is a rare opportunity to hear and meet Dr Lineham in person.



Footsteps of Pompallier Pilgrimage
100km over 4 days
24th - 27th October 2026

From Waitangi to Motuti, through forest, farmland
and alongside the Hokianga Harbour in the
footsteps of the first Catholic missionaries to NZ
Places limited to 60 pilgrims.

Register now at fopp.nz

- To walk
- As a volunteer
- To donate
- To sponsor a pilgrim



PROLIFE FACTS

The My Buddy campaign highlights a reality many New Zealand families carry quietly. Since 1974, more than 600,000 unborn children have been lost, leaving mums and dads missing a “little buddy” they will never see grow up. Grandparents feel that absence too. The campaign honours the stories of parents, mainly dads, speaking simply and openly about the “little buddy” they have lost. One father noted that “Having an abortion was a huge part of our emotional life, and having children did not resolve what had happened.” Another father’s message spoke of finding healing through seeking help: “The abortion created so much turmoil in my life that I couldn’t believe. But through getting help I have managed to find peace and healing.” Visit myvoice.nz to share stories or connect with support.

For more pro-life information, visit voiceforlife.org.nz.

MEAL ROSTERS

A number of years ago in the Cathedral and Hills Parishes we had two operational meal rosters, where people could provide some meals for those in the Parish needing a bit of support, when unexpected events or challenging situations occurred. It has recently been mentioned to me about reinstating this and therefore would need coordinators and volunteers. Expressions of interest welcomed: please contact the parish office. Many thanks, Fr Vaughan.

HEARING THE CRY OF THE POOR

You are invited to a talk by Morgan Edwards, PhD Candidate.

Topic: Government Spending – Just the Way it is! But does this reflect reality? Government spending is not the same as household spending. Morgan examines exactly how government spending works and how we can provide a better basis for public policy. **Monday 31 August, Noon, DCC Library, 4th Floor. (Koha), Refreshments afterwards.** Nau mai ki te katoa!

www.seniorsclimateactionnetwork.org

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

30 August 2026, 22nd 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 Makasini Welcome/Prayers: C Howard Reader: L Finnerty Collection: A Kubala, P Campbell Gifts: Taungapeau Family Altars Servers: O & N Reju Overhead: L Dempster Counters: L Finnerty Cleaning: L Dempster	Greeters: D Kennedy, J Jacob Welcome/Prayers: S Forde Readers: D Kennedy, G O'Connell Collection/Gifts: I & L Sefo Extraordinary Minister: M Jarka Altars Servers: Overhead: D More Morning Tea: C & J Sullivan Counters: C & J Sullivan Cleaning: Brosnahan Family	Greeters: R & M Clark Readers: M Alahakoon, J White Collection: Caragay Family Gifts: Tuitea Family Extraordinary Ministers: N & R Alahakoon Altars Servers: J Burke, H Burke, T-J Matthews-Nielsen Overhead: O'Neill Family Counters: J & H Henderson, M Shaw Cleaning: L Castro

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

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