

Cathedral & Hill Suburbs Pastoral Area



ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL | ST FRANCIS XAVIER (Morningside)
ST MARY'S (Kaikorai) | ST JOSEPH'S (Brockville)

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30 August 2026 – 22nd 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)

PARISH WALK/TRAMP – Flagstaff

Everyone is most welcome to come and take part in an informal parish walk/tramp **Saturday 3 Oct**. This year we will do a circuit of Flagstaff, meeting at the Bullring carpark by 11am (Flagstaff-Whare Flat Rd).

Bring your packed lunch and appropriate clothing depending on the weather as the track is exposed. A medium level of fitness is required and very suitable for children.

No need to register, just turn up by 11am and we will take a roll for H&S purposes.

For more information on the track visit: <https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/community-facilities/walking-tracks/skyline-walks/flagstaff-track>

Postponement Notice – If weather is inclement, this will be posted on the Cathedral website with a decision made Friday 2 Oct at Noon. Questions to Fr Vaughan.

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

3 September – St Gregory the Great, Pope; **4 September** – EMBER DAY

5 September – St Teresa of Calcutta

ST MARY'S MASS CANCELLATION – Due to a Council of Priests meeting the 9:30am Mass at St Mary's is cancelled on **Tuesday, 1st September**.

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

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries:

Fr Kevin McKone

Requiescant in Pace

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027: Seoul, South Korea

Every few years, young people from every corner of the globe gather with the Holy Father to celebrate their faith, share their stories, and discover what God is calling them to in their lives. In 2027, young adults from the Christchurch and Dunedin Dioceses will have the opportunity to make this journey together.

The pilgrimage will be approximately **18 days** in length and will include time in Vietnam before joining pilgrims from around the world for the official World Youth Day celebrations. Applications are open to young adults who will be **18–35 years old as at 1 April 2027**. Applications close at the **end of September**.

For more information go to: <https://cyt.org.nz/world-youth-day/>

SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK: 6–12 September 2026

You Belong to God | Nā Te Atua anō koe

“Every person carries an irreplaceable dignity – not earned, not given by others, but woven into us by the God who made us.” – Pope Leo XIV

Each year, the New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference lead us in Social Justice Week to consider an issue of social justice in Aotearoa. This year marks the beginning of a three-year journey exploring what it means to truly belong — to God, to one another, and to creation. We begin with the first and most important thread: we belong to God, made on purpose, fully known, and unconditionally loved. We hope people will begin this journey by reflecting on their own sense of belonging, and on the truth that every person's worth comes not from what they achieve, but from who made them.

For resources and more information visit: www.caritas.org.nz/parishes/social-justice-week.

CATHEDRAL MASS MORNING TEA – 1st Sunday of Month

In the Pastoral Centre following Mass next week – everyone most welcome.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Tuesday 1 September: *‘They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks’ [Isaiah 2:4]* In his [message](#) for the Day of Prayer, which also initiates the ecumenical Season of Creation, Pope Leo notes that **the call to “beat swords into plowshares” (Is 2:4) ‘invites us to transform harm into life.’** Pope Leo continues: ‘We are called to allow our hearts to be renewed, so that we might seek peace and care for creation... If we take up this task with humility and faith, we will become collaborators in God’s work of renewal. We will move, slowly but surely, **from desert to garden, from division to communion, and from violence to peace.**

May the Lord grant us the courage to walk along this path, so that in our time, swords may indeed be beaten into plowshares, and the promise of the Gospel may take deeper root in our world, and the peace of Christ may reign over all of creation.’

FR CHRIS SKINNER LIVE IN CONCERT

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

Tickets Still Available - \$20 To purchase: 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.

SEASON OF CREATION

During the ecumenical Season of Creation (1 Sept

– 4 Oct) Christians throughout the world are

invited to give thanks for the gifts of creation,

celebrate, pray and take action to care for

creation. This year’s theme is **Living Water**, and

we are invited to let God’s living water flow through our lives. “*The **symbol** depicts water*

flowing from the Temple of God - at first a tiny stream that grows deeper, and deeper and as

it does so, it brings life to dead areas and restores fertility to damaged or barren ecosystems.

Through living water comes healing; but in order to receive new life, we too must step into

the water and also become part of God’s river of life, taking part in the healing of creation.” [

from page 10, Season of Creation Celebration Guide, <https://seasonofcreation.org/>]



Immersion in Living Water
EZEKIEL 47:9, 12

Living Water
Season of Creation 2026

HEARING THE CRY OF THE POOR

A talk by Morgan Edwards, PhD Candidate. Topic: Government Spending – Just the Way it is! 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

6 September 2026, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST MARY'S Saturday, 6:00pm	ST FRANCIS XAVIER Sunday, 9:00am	ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL Sunday, 10:30am
Greeter: F Taungapeau Welcome/Prayers: Tongan Community Reader: Tongan Community Collection: Tongan Community Gifts: Tongan Community Altars Servers: S Reese, M Rietveld Overhead: A Kubala Counters: L Finnerty Cleaning: L Dempster	Greeters: G O'Connell, R Su'a Welcome/Prayers: M Jarka Readers: S Brosnahan, J Jacob Collection/Gifts: N Mulhall, R O'Connell Extraordinary Minister: J Sullivan Altars Servers: Overhead: R Jhondass Morning Tea: D Dore, S More Counters: G & H O'Connell Cleaning: R O'Connell Family	Greeters: R Kabwea, G Luby Readers: M Rajaratnam, J Dawkins Collection: J Henderson, D Doody Gifts: R & M Clark Extraordinary Ministers: G & B Magnuson Altars Servers: J A Jineesh, J Jineesh, R Masoe Overhead: N & R Alahakoon Counters: Caragay Family Cleaning: P Jose

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

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