



## NATIONAL CALENDAR 2024

Readings: Sundays Year B

Weekdays Year II

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| Mary, Holy Mother of God                | 1 Jan        | World Day of Peace  |
|   | 14 Jan       | <i>Mass celebrated at Totara Point to mark anniversary of first Mass in New Zealand by Bishop Pompallier on 13 Jan 1838</i> |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time | 21 Jan       | Word of God Sunday  |
| Presentation                            | 2 Feb        | Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life  |
| Waitangi Day                            | 6 Feb        |   |
|   | 11 Feb       | World Day of Prayer for the Sick  |
|   | 13 Feb       | <i>World Marriage Day (Marriage Encounter)</i>  |
| Ash Wednesday                           | 14 Feb       |   |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Friday of Lent          | 16 Feb       | Day of Prayer and Penance for Victims of Abuse and Violence   |
|   | 3 Mar        | <i>Day of Prayer for all Children - Te Rā o Ngā Tamariki / Children's Day (NZ)</i>  |
|   | 13 Mar       | Anniversary of Election of Pope Francis   |
| Good Friday                             | 29 Mar       | <b>Collection for the Holy Places</b>   |
| Easter Sunday                           | 31 Mar       | Sunday of the Resurrection  |
| Annunciation                            | 8 Apr        | Day of Prayer for Family Life ( <i>Celebrated this day in place of 25 March which falls in Holy Week this year.</i> )       |
| ANZAC Day                               | 25 Apr       | National Day of Remembrance   |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Easter Time   | 28 Apr       | Day of Prayer for Vocations - <b>Seminary Collection</b>  |
| St Peter Chanel                         | 29 Apr       | Proto-martyr of Oceania - Patron Saint of Oceania   |
|   | 28 Apr-4 May | National Vocations Awareness Week   |
| Ascension Sunday                        | 12 May       | World Communications Day  |
|   | 12-19 May    | Week of Prayer for Christian Unity  |
| Pentecost Sunday                        | 19 May       |   |
| Trinity Sunday                          | 26 May       |   |
| Corpus Christi                          | 2 Jun        | The Holy Body and Blood of Christ   |
|   | 23 Jun       | Day of Prayer for Refugees & Migrants   |
|   | 30 Jun       | <b>Peter's Pence Collection</b>   |
|   | 14 Jul       | Day of Prayer for Seafarers   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in July          | 28 Jul       | World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly  |
| Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary       | 15 Aug       | Patronal Feast for New Zealand  |
|   | 1 Sep        | Day of Prayer for Care of Creation  |
|   | 8-14 Sep     | Social Justice Week   |
|   | 6 Oct        | Day of Celebration for Venerable Suzanne Aubert   |
|   | 13 Oct       | Day of Prayer to Support Life   |
|   | 20 Oct       | World Mission Sunday- <b>Collection</b>   |
| All Saints Day                          | 1 Nov        |   |
| All Souls' Day                          | 2 Nov        | Commemoration of all the Faithful departed  |
|   | 17 Nov       | World Day of the Poor-Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand Mass   |
| Jesus Christ, King of the Universe      | 24 Nov       | World Youth Day   |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent        | 1 Dec        | Sundays Year C Weekdays Year I  |
| Christmas Day                           | 25 Dec       |   |

Note: When a Day of Prayer (listed in the right-hand column) falls on a Sunday or coincides with a Feast Day, it may be sufficient to offer a simple remembrance in the introduction to the Mass or a brief mention in the homily or in the Prayer of the Faithful. "Local" days are indicated in italics.

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| NZ Catholic Bishops Conference Meeting Dates | 20-21 Feb    | NZCBC (Wellington) |
|  | 28 Apr-2 May | NZCBC (Dunedin)    |
|  | 3-4 Sep      | NZCBC (Wellington) |
|  | 10-14 Nov    | NZCBC (Wellington) |

