

Parish of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

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11th December 2022 – Third Sunday of Advent

Mass Timetable

Monday: No Mass or Liturgy of the Word

Tuesday- Thursday: 8am Mass

Friday: 11am Adoration followed by 12.05pm Mass

Saturday: 9am Mass

Sunday Vigil Mass – Saturday: 5.30pm

Sunday: 9am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 4.45-5.15pm

Christmas Timetable (hard-copies available in the church foyer)

Our Parish – The Week Ahead

Mon. 12th Dec. 9.15-9.45am Rosary in the church. All welcome.

Mon. 12th Dec. 6.30pm Legion of Mary meet in the church foyer. New members welcome.

Mon. 12th Dec. 7.30-8.15pm Christian Meditation at the Mercy Centre. All welcome.

Thu. 15th Dec. 1.30-2.15pm Christian Meditation at the Mercy Centre. All welcome.

Christmas Giving for the Parish Food Programme

Would you like to contribute to the Christmas delivery? If you would like to purchase a Christmas gift for one of our children, please email us and we will match you with a child. We will also be delivering a food hamper and grocery voucher, so if you would like to make a monetary contribution, please let us know.

Please contact Mary-Ann (maryanntodd29@gmail.com) or phone 021 2882850.

Monte Cecilia Christmas Appeal

We are again in need of your help and support for homeless families. We have a tradition of providing a gift for every child in our care so they may experience a little Christmas joy. Can you donate a gift/gifts so we can be sure none of them go without? You are invited to leave wrapped and labelled (age and Boy or Girl) Christmas gifts in the basket on the altar for distribution.

These will be collected by Monte Cecilia Housing Trust by Friday, 16th December. Alternatively, you may contact Elaine Lolesio if you would like to help. Email elaine@montececilia.org.nz or call/text 027 777 0632.

St Vincent de Paul Basket

St Vincent de Paul, Onehunga is grateful for your donations. The shop is full and cannot take anymore donations at this time.

Please do not leave items for donation in or outside the church. We will put the basket out again when we have space in the shop. Once more, we thank you for your generosity.

Parishioner Family looking for a rental

A family in our Parish is looking to rent a 4-bedroom home in the vicinity. Please contact Deborah Railey 0212689429

Kids Korner: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/4th-WEEK-of-ADVENT.pdf>

Parent Ponderings: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/O-Holy-Night.pdf>

NZ Catholic



NZ Catholic for sale in church foyers again. Price \$4. Some headlines for this issue: Bishop wants 'thriving parishes of faith'; COP27 didn't heed call from Pacific; Synod is like a hui, says Bishop Lowe; CEC launches podcasts with a Christmas focus. Please make sure the money (\$4) is handed to the priest or into the Parish office.

Thank you.

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CHRISTMAS 2022 and NEW YEAR HOLIDAY TIMETABLE



Christmas Mass Times:

Christmas Eve - Saturday, 24th December

Vigil Mass at 5.30pm (Carols from 5.00pm)

Evening Mass at 9.00pm (Carols from 8.30pm)

Christmas Day - Sunday, 25th December

Morning Mass at 9.00am

MASS TIMES (After Christmas Day) -

Tues. 27th December 2022 to Sun. 29th January 2023

Sunday Mass 5.30pm Saturday (Vigil Mass)
9am Sunday

Weekday Mass (Tues.– Sat.) 9.00am up to 30th Jan. (inclusive)

♦ Usual Timetable resumes on Tuesday, 31st Jan. 2023 - Mass at 8am.

♦ 12.05pm Friday Mass will resume in 2023 beginning 3rd February.

♦ No Mass on Mondays.

May your heart and home be filled with love & peace this Christmas and throughout the coming year.

Blank Roster for Christmas and New Year Masses –

Please put your name down if you are available to serve in the various ministries during Masses at Christmas and New Year.



Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

Online Sessions (Evening)

Stories, Films & the Bible: The Father (2020) with Fr Kevin Waldie SM. Monday, 12 December, 7-8.30pm. Koha/Donation. ZOOM.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2022/11/15/stories-films-the-bible-2/>

The Infancy Narratives in the Gospel of Matthew with Kieran Fenn fms. Monday, 19 December, 7-8.30pm. Koha/Donation. ZOOM.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/the-infancy-narratives-in-the-gospels/>

For more information and registration: www.studyjoy.nz

Exhibition of Religious Art

Good Shepherd Parish Hall, 27 Telford Ave. Balmoral, displayed on Sundays in January from 8th to the 29th, 2023. Work is Faith Inspired and at reasonable prices. Cash or a bank statement is required for payment.

Caring Foundation Christmas Appeal

Give a more impactful gift this Christmas with a donation to the Caring Foundation. Give a gift of joy to our most vulnerable. Please take home a copy of Bishop Steve's Christmas message and the Foundation's appeal postcard. www.caringfoundation.org.nz

SCHOLARSHIP for STUDY at TE KUPENGA CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Bishop Stephen Lowe, the Catholic Bishop of Auckland, is pleased to call for applications for the *Ruth Miller Scholarship* for study at Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College. This scholarship will be available for a selected number of people who intend to do one or more Theology papers at Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College towards a Bachelor of Theology degree in 2023. For further information about this scholarship and to receive an application form, please contact Catherine Ryan, Vicar for Education, Email: catheriner@cda.org.nz. The closing date for applications is MONDAY 12 DECEMBER 2022

Job Opportunity: Part-time Chef

Holy Cross Seminary, Auckland, is seeking a part-time chef for 25-hours per week over 5-days (Sundays being one of those days). Duties will include responsibility for the weekly grocery shop, as well as x1 evening meal preparation for the Seminarians and Seminary Priests. Holy Cross Seminary follows a university term schedule, and the successful applicant will be required term time only (x32 weeks per year). If you have the necessary qualifications/experience and are interested in this role, please send your CV with Cover Letter to office@holycross.org.nz by Sunday, 01 January 2023.

Registrations are now open for **Ngā Tapuwāe - Sacred Footsteps 2023**. Our Northland pilgrimage will be from 6th January to 8th January 2023. All are welcome to hiko with us to learn more of our Catholic heritage. We will explore, experience, and live the sacred places of Kupe, Bishop Pompallier, and the early missionaries. The pilgrimage will conclude with Mass at the place where the first Mass in NZ occurred.

Register <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/nga-tapuwa-e-pilgrimage/> or contact: Stephen Fraser 09 360 3052 or: stephenf@cda.org.nz

Marriage & Family Life would like to invite to you consider becoming Marriage Educators. If you have 2 hours a fortnight and are passionate about helping engaged couples prepare for marriage and have been married for 5 years or more, please contact Gerry on 021 02247442.

Eucharist has been celebrated or will be celebrated for:

Recently Deceased: Alma McCombe, Michael Fong, George B. Pereira, Joe Geor, Ian Birch, Ann Fryer, Leo Alcantara, Mary Zoricich, Peter Williams, Mary Milicich, Leo Cassin

Sick: Sue Wong, Millie Pacheco, Carol Rogers, Corazon Abulencia, Nicholas Geor, Evelyn Totanes, Stephen Wheoki, Leonard Lee, Noel Mijares, Arielle Beatriz Bautista, Peggy Dance, Adrian Judson, Joseph Cave, Anabella Olaes, Lily Owen, Paul Foong, William Wong, Lloyd Jones

Anniversaries: George Wong (Nov 5), Reginald Wilton (Nov 5), Francis Chung (Nov 18), Carolyn Ann Hulme (Nov 25), Mary Chow (Dec 3), Joseph D'Silva (Dec 28)

Roster for next weekend: 18th December

	5.30PM Vigil	9AM
Commentator	Osmitta Francis	Gary Hays
Reader	Polly Kenrick	Sarah Cozens
Offertory	Walter Lobo	Stephen Piggin and Family
	Lana Lon	Priscilla Sevele
Eucharistic Ministers	Teresa Chow	Annette Wilson
	Bernadette Collins	Mark Almeida
	Lynette Duncan	Sophie Amos
Altar Servers	Sam Lobo	Scarlett Amos
	Sia Lobo	Fangupo Family
Collectors	Alfred & Sushila Fernandes	
A/V Operator	Marcus Koenig	Richard Rambaud
Counters	Carmel Webb	Vina Valenzuela
Altar Care	Patsy McCahill	Iris Valenzuela
Flowers	Kathy Long	Sarah Crawford

Readings for next week Fourth Sunday of Advent

1. Isaiah 7:10-14
 2. Romans 1:1-7
- Gospel Matthew 1:18-25