

MASS TIMES

Sunday 9:00am
 Sun Vietnamese Community 11:30am
 Sun Syro- Malabar Comm 2:00 pm & 5.00pm
Monday 8.00am
(Liturgy of the Word & Communion)
Tuesday to Thursday 8.00am
Friday 9.00am
Saturday 9.00am
 Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30pm
 Public Holidays 9:00am

Confession/Reconciliation:
 Saturdays 9.45am onwards or by appointment

Pastoral Council Chairperson: Leonard Casey

SACRAMENTS / DEVOTIONS

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
 Fri & Sat 8.00am
Divine Mercy prayer: Friday 8.30am
Rosary: Saturday 8.30am
Novena: Saturday 9.25am
 (Our Lady of Perpetual Help)

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Mass Roster

	Sat	Sun	Sat	Sun
Date/ Time	15/06/2024 Sat 17:30pm	16/06/2024 Sun 09:00am	22/06/2024 Sat 17:30pm	23/06/2024 Sun 09:00am
Name of Week		11th Sunday in Ordinary time		12th Sunday in Ordinary time
Commentators & PoF	Eugene Miranda	Rita Sigley	<i>Volunteer Req</i>	Felcy Kurukuntaia
1st Reader	<i>Volunteer Req</i>	Heather Kelly	Russell D'Lima	Evelyn Leech
2nd Reader	Lara Miranda	Lina Fuimaono	Jazon Quilantang	Adrian Blake
Communion	Rolinda D'Souza	Sine Foulger & 1 other	Jacinta Chow	Andy Tibbitts & 1 other
Altar servers	Cyrus & Cheryl Jesudas	Taiaopo & Vincent Lafele & Robert Liu	Rachelann & Aaron D'lma	Zhen Ng, Benjamin Lo & Toby Leech
Collectors	Wongso Family	Katrina & Amanda Yuen Lo	Lourdes & Christian Domilies	Rizalle Galvez and Marqaret Burke
Musician	Chow Family	Patrick Burke & Christian D	Charmaine D'lma	Tongan Comm
Laptop	Jacinta Chow	Theresa Stowers	<i>Volunteer Req</i>	Tongan Community
Offertory	Finau Family	Fuimaono Family	Domilies family	Kafa Family
Counters		Sarah Ulmer & Andrew Tsue		Tony Morcom & Andy Tibbitts
Church Cleaning	Tongan Comm		Vietnamese Comm	
Flower Arrangements	Tongan Comm		Vietnamese Comm	

For any roster changes, please email Parish Office and Andy Tibbitts andytibbittsnz@outlook.com
As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace. 1 Peter 4:10 (RSV)

Last Sunday's collection: \$ 1356.10

Thank you so much for your kind generosity. Kindly note our bank account details are as below:

BNZ 02-0108-0706777-00.

Kids' Korner Links
[11th Sun of Ord Time \(OT\)](#)
[The Duck and the Devil](#)

The Parish is served by Redemptorist Missionaries
www.cssr.com, www.cssr.org.au

We welcome any visitors and new parishioners to our parish. If you would like to register, forms are available in the foyer or send an email to icpellerslie@gmail.com for the form.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: We, the Parish of Immaculate Conception Ellerslie are God's people seeking God's purposes and fulfilling them through service, inspired by the Holy Spirit, assisted through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ELLERSLIE

Parish Priest:
 Fr. Joseph V.J., C.Ss.R
Assistant Parish Priest:
 Fr. Sijo John, C.Ss.R
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The 11th Sun of Ord Time

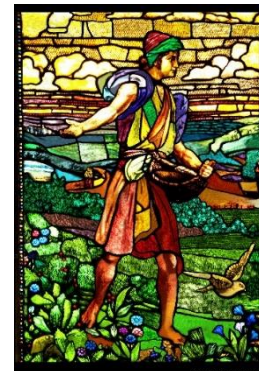
15 / 16 June 2024

The seed growing of itself

In Jesus' parable of the seed, it was meant to give encouragement to those early disciples who had become discouraged because little seemed to be happening. It was telling them to be patient, to trust, and not to expect instant results.

Like those early disciples, we too want results, and we want them fast. We live in the age of the instant product. We have instant soup, instant tea, instant photos.. pretty well instant anything. We know that the quality suffers, but we are willing to sacrifice that for quick results and time and effort saved. We forget that certain things cannot be rushed. To grow to maturity as a human being is the job of a lifetime. To build a good relationship with someone takes time. To get to know and understand one's children takes time. To overcome one's sins and weaknesses takes time.

There is something we can do, and which God will not do for us. But that done, we have to acknowledge that we can't do everything. Spiritual development, and indeed human development, is a process. It will go on, provided we do not resist it. In the great processes of growth, healing, recovery, and spiritual progress we are only facilitators. We can plant the seed, but we can't make it grow. God has to take over. It is God who gives the increase.



Look at the example of Jesus. Before beginning his public ministry, he spent thirty years at Nazareth. To some it might seem a waste of valuable time. Nothing could be further from the truth. In his humanity he needed those years. During them he was growing quietly in the shadows. The lovely little parable of the seed growing of itself shows us that there is an almighty power working for us. Our job is to sow the seed. Then God has to take over. And God does. Any farmer will tell you that. If we do the right thing, the harvest will come. But can we be patient, can we wait, can we trust?

Mass Readings



1st Reading: Ezek 17:22-24: I have made the small tree great.

Resp Psalm. Ps 91:2-3, 13-16: R. Lord it is good to give thanks to you

2nd Reading: 2 Cor 5:6-10: Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing the Lord

Gospel. Mk 4:26-34: The mustard seed, the smallest of all the seeds, grows into the biggest shrub of all.

Youth Group Fundraiser



Our ICP Youth Group is organizing a movie day on **Sat, 22nd June 2024 @ 2.30pm** to fundraise for their trip to the 2027 World Youth Day.

Tickets are on sale after Mass.

Adult ticket price – \$25.00

Student (13-16yo) - \$18.00

Family Concession for 2Adults and 2Students - \$80.00

Click [here](#) OR use QR code below to purchase



~UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER~

22nd June – Youth Group Movie Day

23rd June – Day of Prayer for Refugees and Migrants

24th June – The Nativity of St Jon the Baptists

28th June – Matariki Day (Public hol)
Mass at 9am

30th June – **Collection for Peter Pence**

Parish Notices

CONGRATULATIONS

to Andy, Heather, Sine, Lina and Posiano for attending the formation course for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Ministers of the Word.

FIRE WARDENS WORKSHOP

Thank you to those who have signed up to help as fire wardens at Mass. A short training programme will be held soon. Please watch this space

TAX RECEIPTS 2023-24 tax receipts are ready in the church foyer.

JUNIOR YOUTH MASS (SUN 30TH JUNE)

If you have children aged between 7 and 11 who would like to participate in this mass, please email cyrusjesudas@gmail.com

Job Vacancy - Caring Foundation is looking for Database/Grants/Administration/Fundraising Coordinator

The Catholic Caring Foundation is seeking a well-organised multitasker, loyal team player with a dedication to caring for people and community for their small, busy, and welcoming organisation. This position is a full-time position, Monday to Friday.

The main functions of the role are donor database/donations coordination and administration, Grants coordination and support, Fundraising support and donor care, Basic accounting and Liaison with key stakeholders.

To view the full advert and position description, please visit our website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz under Diocesan Services and Staff Vacancies.

CATHOLIC NZ MAGAZINE \$4.00 in Foyer. **Some Headlines:** Preparations for Holy Year 2025. New norms to discern alleged supernatural phenomena. Pope speaks about women deacons. World media said to threaten religious freedom.

St Francis Retreat Centre Retreats & Events

Time Out Days – Seeking a day retreat? 9:30am – 2:30pm (\$30 incl lunch) | Thu 27 Jun | Tue 9 Jul | Wed 21 Aug

24Hr Quietude - Week a short retreat? Sat | Fri 7pm - Sat 7pm (\$120pp incl acc + food) | 12th & 13th July

Women's Prayer Retreat - A reflective prayer retreat in the Catholic tradition for Women

Thu 1 Aug 7pm - Sun 4 Aug 3pm | Earlybird (before 2/7) \$350 | Standard \$400 for 3 nights, 4 days

Living as the Beloved - Silent Retreat | \$599 all meals and accommodation | Fri 25 Oct 5:30pm - Mon 28 Oct 5pm | Email jmartin.blaker@gmail.com to register

For more info/dates and visit www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz or call 09 625 6651

Building a Thriving Parish (Part 3)

Wed | 26 June | 7.00pm | St Francis Retreat Centre, 50 Hillsborough, Rd Mt Albert.

You are invited to come and meet with clergy and parishioners to learn, share experiences, and challenges in building a thriving parish. Be inspired and empowered with practical tools as Dcn Steve Fraser shares how the Holy Spirit has shaped his purpose and mission.

Register directly with Dcn Steve Fraser on stephenf@cda.org.nz Light refreshments provided.

Prayer Ministry Workshop.

Sat | 22 June | 10.00 am - 11.30 am | Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Meadowbank.

Deidre Bloom from the Auckland Charismatic Renewal will be running this workshop. If you are interested, please come.

Youth leaders Masterclass

Sat | 22 June | 3.00pm – 8:30pm | Te Kupenga, 40 Vermont St Auckland.

If you're a youth ministry leader or young adult ministry leader, you're invited to our quarterly event dedicated to equipping, empowering and energising you for ministry. Register on facebook.com/AKCYM or email felicitym@cda.org.nz

Divine Mercy (DM) in 3rd Millennium

Sat | 29 June | 1.00pm – 3.00pm | Holy Family Parish, 94, Taikata Rd, Te Atatu Peninsula

Guest speaker Pat Barrett, Director of Divine Mercy NZ will be speaking about how DM can help navigate times in which we live in and how the grace of DM can lead us to great holiness. Pat will also be bringing a relic of St Faustina for veneration. For more info call 09-8346677 or check out <https://www.teatucatholic.org.nz/>

CDA CONNECT (DIGITAL MAGAZINE)

What's been going on in the diocese?

Click on Header or visit <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/services/cda-connect/>

Parish Activities

To foster community, spiritual growth, and shared fellowship, please come along to our small group activities that we have in this parish:-

Alpha Programme
Graeme White
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Divine Mercy Novena Group – Sheila D'Souza
celinsheilds@gmail.com

Faith Sharing Group
Raphael Ng
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Food Bank Delivery
Evelyn Leech
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Marian Mothers Grp
Anne Casey
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Parish History Group
Claudia Forycki
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Jnr & Snr Youth Group
Cyrus Jesudas
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RCI and Sacramental Prog –Theresa Stowers
Theresa_Stowers@hotmail.com

Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

Catherine Ng, Raphael Ng, Margaret Burke, Edward Salvatore Fleming, Lily Chua, Carrie Canapi, Janilyn Novelas, Jumer Cosme, Nigel Casey-Poole, Valerian Luis, George Tooman, Joan Luis, Gary Chen, Rowena Edgeworth, Ems Pengosro, Alvyne Rose R. Eslava, Connee Robertson, Josie Pearson and all those recovering from surgery or needing our prayers.

We remember those who have died and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Catherine Piaggi, Zoe R A Nicholls, Ma'auga Va'afuti, Leonard Leech, William Kelly, Trevor A Newton, Sena Mahapatuna, Emily Draffin, Marjorie Amiot, Thomas McCarthy, John Martron, John Bryson, John Parsons, Sr. S. Antonio, Rene Boudoube, Isaiah Peti Gae'e, Ruby McGrath, William G Irwin, Eileen Cunny, Iris Williams, Jessie Carter, Mary Shearman, Joseph Amelin, Kerin Wilson, John Meechan, Ray Hickey, Elma Bell, Peter Smith, Lilian de Thierry, Bruce Phillips their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. For additions or amendments, please e-mail the Parish Office