

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	06/07/2024 Sat 17:30pm	07/07/2024 Sun 09:00am	13/07/2024 Sat 17:30pm	14/07/2024 Sun 09:00am
Name of Week		14th Sunday in Ordinary time		15th Sunday in Ordinary time
Commentators & PoF	Tilla Miranda	Filipino Community	Mercy Edward	Julia Leary
1st Reader	Charmaine D'Lima	Filipino Community	Eugene Miranda	Andy Tibbitts
2nd Reader	<i>Volunteer Req</i>	Filipino Community	Lourdes Domillies	Heather Kelly
Communion	Theresa Bennett	Leonila Teodoro	Sabrina Freitas	Sheila D'Souza
Altar servers	Aaron D'Silva & Cheryl Jesudas	Maya MacMenigall, Benjamin Fuimaono & Lotofusi Tuisaemo & Tina D'Souza	Christian Domillies & Shavidhu Fernando	Lalith Pudota, Andrew Kurukuntala & Raqnar Feloy Kurukuntala & Andrea Solomon
Collectors	Theresa & John Bennett		Finau Family	
Musician	Emmanuel Group	Filipino Comm & Bambi	<i>Volunteer Req</i>	Martin Ng & family
Laptop	Lara Miranda	Filipino Community	D'lima Family	Ng Family
Offertory	Edward Family	Filipino Community	Miranda Family	Yuen Lo Family
Counters		Andy Tibbitts & Ian McCombe		Margaret Burke & Ju Lin Lim
Church Cleaning	Tongan Comm		Vietnamese Comm	
Flower Arrangements	Filipino 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: \$2188.70

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
[14th Sun of Ord Time \(OT\)](#)
[Young couple in new neighbourhood](#)

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

Vietnamese Comm:
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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time 06 / 07 July 2024

Rejecting the Messenger

When Jesus returned to his native village of Nazareth, the people refused to listen to him. They knew too much about him. The message never had a chance because they rejected the messenger. In fact, they tried to do away with him. What truth did he tell his fellow villagers that they found so threatening that they wanted to kill him? He pointed out to them that they were God's chosen people. That one would, therefore, expect to find some faith among them. Yet he told them that he found more faith among the pagans (the Gentiles). He went on to suggest that the Gentiles would take their place in the Kingdom. For this they wanted to kill him.



One of the signs of God's care for his people was that he kept on sending them messengers (the prophets) to call them back to the right path. Even though the word of the prophets was often a critical one, it was a word spoken out of love.

God does the same for us. He does not leave us in the darkness of error or wrong-doing. He sends us messengers, mostly those near us.

But we too may reject the messengers, especially when the message may not be one that we want to hear. The truth can hurt.

"You have no home life for yourselves or the children ... You're too materialistic... You drink too much ... You're full of prejudice. Your worship of God is mere lip-service!" If someone were to say one or more of these things to us, how would we react? Might we not want to attack the messenger?

We need the courage to listen to the truth, even though it may be painful and come as a blow to our pride. The truth, as Jesus says, will set us free. The person who out of love for us tells us the truth, knowing that it is going to hurt, and at the risk of losing our friendship, is a true friend. We also need the courage to be able to speak the truth to others. To set a person on the right road is a great thing, but there is a way of doing this. It has to be done with love and concern for the person. The secret is to be totally honest and totally kind at the same time.

Mass Readings

1st Reading: Ezek 2:2-5: The people are rebellious; they shall know there will be a prophet in their midst.



Resp Psalm. Ps 122: R. Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

2nd Reading: 2 Cor 12:7-10: I will glory in my infirmities so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

Gospel. Mk 6:1-6: A prophet is despised only in his own country.

~UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER~

6th July – School holidays begin

11th July – ICP Joint Committee & Volunteers Meeting

14th July – Day of Prayer for Seafarers

28th July – World Day for Grandparents and Elderly

Parish Notices

YOUTH FUNDRAISER Please join us in congratulating the Youth Group for raising a profit of **\$2001.25** from the movie Cabrini fundraiser. Thank you to everyone who participated and contributed. Well done, Youth Group!

JUNIOR YOUTH MASS (SUN 30TH JUNE) Thank you to the Children who participated at our Junior Youth Mass last Sunday. If you like to know what other activities there are for children ages between 7 and 11 in our parish, please email cyrusjesudas@gmail.com

TAX RECEIPTS There are still some 2023-24 tax receipts ready for collection in the church foyer. Please see if yours are still there.

ICP JOINT COMMITTEE AND VOLUNTEERS MEETING

There will be a joint meeting on **Thursday, 11th July 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.** in the parish hall to discuss the proposed plans for the 120th-anniversary celebration of our church. All members of the PPC, Finance Committee, Liturgy Committee, Parish History Committee, and volunteers interested in helping out with the 120th anniversary are requested to attend the meeting. Your participation is essential for the success of this important event.

NZ CATHOLIC MAGAZINE ANNOUNCEMENT

The NZ Catholic fortnightly printed publication has ceased and moved to a monthly digital publication. NZ Catholic's office is now closed Please direct all enquiries after that date to the Catholic Diocese of Auckland. More information: <https://nzcatholic.org.nz/>

Could all subscribers to NZ Catholic who have set up automatic bank payments, please contact their banks to stop these immediately.



Last printed issue is out. The Commemorative issue \$4.00 for sale in Foyer. Or click on the NZC Commemorative Edition: [Life Through the Lens](https://www.nzccatholic.org.nz/). For this last issue, click on mag to read FOC, or go to <https://indd.adobe.com/view/22813fcd-2f9e-447b-a9de-025dea9a1392>

St Francis Retreat Centre Retreats & Events

Time Out Days – Seeking a day retreat? 9:30am – 2:30pm (\$30 incl lunch) | 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 trad. Thu – Sun | 1 Aug 7pm - 4 Aug 3pm | \$400 for 3 nights, 4 days

Living as the Beloved- Silent Retreat | \$599 all meals and accomm | Fri – Sun | 25 Oct 5:30pm - 28 Oct 5pm | Register martin.blaker@gmail.com

ATTENTION leaders & facilitators of Liturgy of the Word with Children.

As part of our Liturgical Ministries Series, the Liturgy Centre is offering a workshop day for **leaders & facilitators of Liturgy of the Word with Children.**

Sat | 13 July | 10am – 2pm | Pompallier Diocesan Centre (30 New Street, St Mary's Bay).

Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

The workshop will consist of foundations of ministry, safeguarding practices, and practical formation.

Participants will receive a certificate at completion, which will be sent to their parish and presented at mass on a chosen date/time.

Register via the link below or contact your parish office/priest: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/liturg-prayer/lowc-session>

Auckland Interfaith Council invites you to "Dialogue & Learning"

Sat | 13 July | 11am - 3pm | Browns Bay, Bahi Centre. Guest speaker Professor Emeritus Peter Lineham on "Diverse Faiths in New Zealand - Challenges & Opportunities". For more information please check out our website at <http://www.aucklandinterfaithcouncil.org.nz/events/diverse-faiths-in-new-zealand-challenges-opportunities/>

World Youth Day Auckland

Sat | 17 August | 10am – 8:30pm | Victory Convention Centre, 98 Beaumont St, Freemans Bay

13-30yrs old (and their youth leaders!) are invited to join us for an unforgettable celebration of our Catholic faith. Its a day with a special guest speaker, Mass by Bishop Lowe, free kai, time to connect with fellow Catholics. Registrations opening soon!

Go to facebook.com/AKCYM for updates or email felicitym@cda.org.nz for more info.

Young Adults Ball – "Wonderland"

Sat | 14 Sept | 7pm – 11pm | Muhughs of Cheltenham, 46 Cheltenham Road

Early bird tickets on sale now: Go to facebook.com/AKCYM to get your ticket or email felicitym@cda.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
alphaellersieccatholic@gmail.com

Divine Mercy Novena Group – Sheila D'Souza
celinsheilds@gmail.com

Faith Sharing Group
Raphael Ng
ngahthong@gmail.com

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:

Christine Casey, Catherine Ng, Raphael Ng, Margaret Burke, Edward Salvatore Fleming, Lily Chua, Carrie Canapi, Janilyn Novelas, Jumer Cosme, Valerian Luis, Joan Luis, George Tooman, 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:

Clarence Wood, Cecille O'Sullivan, Patrina Boukavich, Catherine Munro, Lena Stapleton, Jack Barry, Setefano Mafi, Secondila Empuerto, Veronica Malone, Mary Darby, John Corrigan, Thomas O'Meara, Daphne Quayle, Reginald Esdale, Roe Gould, Maureen E Murray, Walter Fortune, Lucy Conway, Leah Frawley, Connie Tremain, Tomaz Kazmierow, Hazel Cox, Loris Zarembo, Jim Moore, Winifred Parkinson, Gerard Portegys, Timothy Lawlet, Norbet Casey, Beatrice Marsh, Jim West, Jack Rendle, Malcolm H Brown their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. For additions or amendments, please email the Parish Office