

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)

Parish Office Administrator:
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Mass Roster

	Sat	Sun	Sat	Sun
Date/ Time	27/07/2024 Sat 17:30pm	28/07/2024 Sun 09:00am	03/08/2024 Sat 17:30pm	04/08/2024 Sun 09:00am
Name of Week		17th Sunday in Ordinary time		18th Sunday in Ordinary time
Commentators & PoF	Rolinda D'Souza	Leonard Casey	John Szczepanski	Filipino Community
1st Reader	Blue Holmes-Kinsella	Tina D'Souza	Cyrus Jesudas	Filipino Community
2nd Reader	Cyrus Jesudas	Rizallee Galvez	Mercy Edward	Filipino Community
Communion	Jacinta Chow	Andy Tibbitts	Theresa Bennett	Leonila Teodoro & Heather Kelly
Altar servers	Rachelann & Aaron D'Lima	Zhen Ng, Benjamin Lo & Toby Leech	Rachelann D'Lima & Cheryl Jesudas	Maya MacMenigall, Benjamin Fuimaono & Lotofusi Tuisaemo & Tina D'Souza
Collectors	Lourdes & Christian Domilies	Rizalle Galvez and Marqaret Burke	Theresa & John Bennett	
Musician	Lara Miranda	Tongan Comm	Emmanuel Group	Filipino Comm
Laptop	<i>Volunteer Req</i>	Tongan Community	Lara Miranda	Filipino Community
Offertory	Domilies family	Kafa Family	Edward Family	Filipino Community
Counters		Tony Moroom & Andy Tibbitts		Andy Tibbitts & Ian McCombe
Church Cleaning	Vietnamese Comm		St Marys Parents	
Flower Arrangements	Vietnamese Comm		Filipino 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

Last Sunday's collection: \$2199.60

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
[17th Sun of Ord Time \(OT\)](#)
[3 lessons from Loaves and Fishes](#)

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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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

27 / 28 July 2024

Understanding God's goodness

One evening a man sat down with his family to a full table, and he and his wife bowed their heads as their little girl said the grace: "Thank you, God, for your goodness to us. Thank you especially for giving us such a lot of food. Amen." Normally this little ritual brought great joy to the father. But that evening for some strange reason he felt uneasy. Aware of global hunger, he questioned the disparity between his plenty and the suffering of millions. Doubting his own deservingness, he wondered if material blessings indicated divine favouritism.



To truly understand God's goodness in His gifts, we must view them as entrusted to us for the benefit of our brothers and sisters. Therefore, let no one say, "Thank you, God, for blessing me with money and possessions," and then live as if alone in the world. Such a person will eventually realize they have worshiped the idols of fortune and selfishness.

Possessions are indeed signs of God's blessing and goodness, but they are also opportunities for service entrusted to us. We cannot multiply food as Jesus could, but we do not need to.

We simply need to share it, or the money to buy it. Jesus continues to ask us the question He posed to Philip: "Where can we buy bread for these people to eat?" In light of this, a more appropriate grace before meals might be: "Thank you, Lord, for your goodness to us, and especially for this plentiful food. May we use your gifts in such a way that others too will know your goodness and give you thanks. Amen."

Mass Readings

1st Reading: 2 Kg 4:42-44: They will eat and have some left over.



Resp Ps 144:10-11, 15-18: R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

2nd Reading: Eph 4:1-6: There is one body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

Gospel: Jn 6:1-15: He distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted..

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

28th July – World Day for Grandparents and Elderly

6th Aug – The Transfiguration of the Lord

6th Aug – Reconciliation for First Holy communion children & Parents @ 7.00pm

10th Aug – Confirmation & First Holy Communion @ 1.30pm

15th Aug – The Assumption of the Virgin Mary

25th August – St Mary's School House Mass

25th August – Parish FOOD FESTIVAL

BEWARE OF PHISHING EMAIL SCAM

We have recent reports of our parishioners receiving phishing emails from a Father Joseph.

If you receive any suspicious email, DO NOT respond or click on any links.

These emails are fraudulent and part of a scam attempt. If in doubt of request, always check with ICP parish office or Father Joseph directly.

Parish Notices

FIRE WARDENS EMERGENCY TRAINING

Fire warden volunteers, please stay back after the Vigil/Sunday Mass for a quick Fire Emergency training with Martin Ng. You should have received an email already with the Fire emergency procedure. If you haven't, please email the Parish office for a copy.

WORLD YOUTH DAY AUCKLAND

Sat | 17 Aug | 10.00 am – 8:30pm | Victory Convention Centre, 98 Beaumont St – Our Youth Group wants to invite all young people aged 13 - 35 years old to join them and over 1000 young Catholics for an unforgettable day at Victory Convention Centre. Get excited for inspiring guest speakers, uplifting music, delicious (free!) kai, Mass with Bishop Steve Lowe, and one BIG celebration of our Catholic faith. If you are keen, please email cyrusjesudas@gmail.com as soon as possible, as the organisers need to confirm the amount of food to organise on that day.

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR PARISH FOOD FESTIVAL

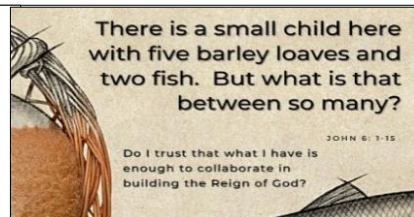
Our Annual Food Festival will be held on **25th August** in the Parish Hall after Sunday 'St Mary's School House' Mass. We are always looking for volunteers at stalls or on the ground. If you are available and happy to help on that morning or even have your own stall, please contact **Lenora Foliaki** lenorafoliaki@gmail.com

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LINE DANCING?

Anyone of any age, who is interested in learning LINE DANCING in our parish, are invited to contact Mabel Fernandez on 022 172 9694 or email mabel_fernandesnz@yahoo.co.nz . or Raphael ng on 022 1936579/ 09 2811557/ ngahthong@gmail.com

PRO-LIFE CONFERENCE - Proclaiming the Gospel of Life in a Post-Christian Culture

Fri - Sat | 30 - 31 Aug | Holy Family Parish Hall, Te Atatu Peninsula
Join us for an informative conference discussing foundational pro-life principles and life and family issues of concern today. For more info contact **Simon Archer** 021 400 729 | simon@fli.org.nz or visit fli.org.nz/speaking-tour-2024



The Deacon: A Role Model for Men in Church – Speaker Clive Goodman

Wed | 31 July | 7.15pm | St Thomas Moore Church, 336 Wairau Road, Glenfield

An invitation to all men by the Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship, North Shore
For more info, ring Russell **022 034 5678**

St Francis Retreat Ctr Event highlight Women's Prayer Retreat- A reflective prayer retreat in the Catholic trad.

1 Aug 7pm - 4 Aug 3pm | \$400 for 3 nights, 4 days. Subsidies available if the cost is a barrier.

All women are welcome. This retreat is suitable for all those that are new to prayer and those that have a deep and intimate prayer life.

For more info, call **09 625 6651** or visit <https://www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz/events/womens-prayer-retreat-august-8-11/>.

Divine Mercy Devotion & Mass

Fri | 2 Aug | 7:00pm | St Mary's Parish, 20 Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy Sung, Benediction, Mass, followed by veneration of St Faustina's relic. All Welcome.

"What is Philosophy?"

Tues | 06 Aug | 5:30-6:30pm on Zoom
"Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is holding its 5th lecture "What is Philosophy" in the series, A Taste of Theology, with Rev Dr John Owens, sm. For \$60.00, you can access ALL 9 courses in this lecture series and join the remaining live sessions. To Register, www.tekupenga.ac.nz/tasteoftheology



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

Back by popular demand, this year's ball theme is 'Wonderland'. Here's your chance to put on your best formal attire and fall down the rabbit hole and into a world of whimsy, where the fantastical realm of Alice in Wonderland awaits!

Be enchanted by the melodies of our live band, whose music will set the tone for a night of dancing and revelry. Indulge in canapes fit for a tea party and select some of your favourite beverages available at the bar (1 free drink incl. in your ticket). Capture memories that will last a lifetime with our professional photographer, who will be on hand to snap photos of you and your friends against the backdrop of this magical event.

Don't be late for this very important date! - secure your tickets now: Earlybird tickets are \$100 (until the 15th July). Standard tickets \$120 (Ticket sales close 31st August or if sold out). *This is an 18+ event. Tickets: https://Young_Adults_Ball.eventbrite.com

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
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Faith Sharing Group
Raphael Ng
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Food Bank Delivery
Evelyn Leech
sandeleech@gmail.com

Marian Mothers Grp
Anne Casey
tradebox.annecasey@yahoo.co.nz

Parish History Group
Claudia Forycki
cforycki@water.co.nz

Jnr & Snr Youth Group
Cyrus Jesudas
cyrusjesudas@gmail.com

RCI and Sacramental Prog –Theresa Stowers
Theresa_Stowers@hotmail.com

Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

Pitovao, 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:

Helen Huang, Michael Gallagher, Anne Townsley, Gladys Duggan, Reg Kelly, Francis Hayes, Louis Sarich, Eliza Chapman, Dorothy Stanaway, Alfred Helean, Nancy Rainsford, Dorrie Meter, John Helean, Tom Metford, Bro. Ben Ryan, Belinda Nesbit, Daisy Skinner, Matilda Gimblett, Michael Premozich, Walter Corrigan, Edith Shields, Alice Melican, Jacob Louis, Albert ('82), Vincent ('85), Francis Cooney, James Walsh, Jat M Hellesoe, Mons. Lane, Roslin ('2000), Annie Mercer, Tony Midsich, Charles W Turnock their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. For additions or amendments, please e-mail the Parish Office