

MASS TIMES

Sunday	9:00am
Sun Vietnamese Community	11:30am
Sun Syro- Malabar Comm	2:00 pm & 5.00pm
Monday	8.00am
<i>(Liturgy of the Word & Communion)</i>	
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	03/08/2024 Sat 17:30pm	04/08/2024 Sun 09:00am	10/08/2024 Sat 17:30pm	11/08/2024 Sun 09:00am
Name of Week	18th Sunday in Ordinary time	18th Sunday in Ordinary time	19th Sunday in Ordinary time	19th Sunday in Ordinary time
Commentators & PoF	John Szczepanski	Filipino Community	Jacinta Chow	Evelyn Leech
1st Reader	Cyrus Jesudas	Filipino Community	Theresa Bennet	Margaret Burke
2nd Reader	Mercy Edward	Filipino Community	Lara Miranda	Blue Holmes-Kinsella
Communion	Theresa Bennett	Leonila Teodoro & Heather Kelly	Sabrina Freitas	Sheila D'Souza & Albert Wolfgram
Altar servers	Rachelann D'Lima & Cheryl Jesudas	Maya MacMenigall, Benjamin Fuimaono & Menula Silva	Rachelann D'Lima & Shavidhu Fernando	Lalith Pudota, Andrew Kurukuntala & Ragnar Ordon
Collectors	Theresa & John Bennett	Lotofusi Tuisaemo & Tina D'Souza	Finau Family	Felcy Kurukuntala & Andrea Solomon
Musician	Emmanuel Group	Filipino Comm	Charmaine D'Lima	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	St Marys Parents		Vietnamese Comm	
Flower Arrangements	Filipino Comm		Vietnamese Comm	

For any roster changes, please email Parish Office and Andy Tibbitts andytibbittsnz@outlook.com

Last Sunday's collection: \$2460.70

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
[18th Sun of Ord Time \(OT\)](#)
[Pearls of Wisdom](#)

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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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

03/04 August 2024

The price of freedom

After the Exodus from Egypt, the Israelites joyfully left slavery behind, setting off towards what they believed would be a bright future. Yet, a short time later, they longed to return to Egypt and willingly considered enslavement again. What happened? Freedom proved different from their expectations. They found themselves in the harsh desert, short of food. They realized that freedom meant a journey to a distant, uncertain promised land. Hardships, trials, and dangers lay immediately before them.

The Israelites looked back, thinking, "Perhaps Egypt was better; at least we had food." They began to complain against Moses and yearned for the familiar comforts of slavery. Despite this, God showed mercy, providing manna to sustain them on their desert journey.

This has great relevance for us. Baptism frees us from sin's bondage, yet we often yearn for worldly comforts. Like the Israelites, we face trials and are tempted to return to old ways. But through faith in Jesus and the Eucharist, God sustains us, just as He provided manna for His chosen people.

Remember, it's faith that keeps us, not our own strength. Let us trust in God's providence as we journey through life's desert.



McCarthy Flor, New Sunday and holiday liturgies Year B Dominican Publications 1999

Mass Readings



1st Reading: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15: I will rain bread from heaven upon you.

Resp Psalm Ps 77:3-4, 23-25, 54: R. The Lord gave them bread from heaven

2nd Reading: Eph 4:17, 20-24: Put on the new person that has been created in God's image.

Gospel: Jn 6:24-35: Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.

Parish Notices

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION WORLD We are happy to announce that 49 children attending the sacramental programme of this year in our parish will receive the First Holy Communion and Confirmation on Saturday 10 August at 1.30 p.m. during the Holy Mass presided over by Monsignor Bernard Kiely. Please uphold them in your prayers as they take this important step in their faith journey.



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.

Special message from the Catholic Diocese of Auckland

On 25 July, the **Royal Commission into Abuse** in Care presented its final report. Church leaders have publicly thanked the Inquiry for the work they have done in preparing this report. The Catholic bishops and congregational leaders acknowledge the Church's history and the ongoing trauma of those who have been harmed. Over the past 30 years, the Catholic Church in Aotearoa has made significant progress in responding to reports of abuse and safeguarding. Our focus on safeguarding and care is informed by the past and aims to ensure that people are safe in care today. All are encouraged to engage with the work of the Royal Commission via their website - <https://www.abuseincare.org.nz/>

The Church's response has been coordinated by Te Rōpū Tautoko – Visit their website - <https://tautoko.catholic.org.nz/>

The Church takes all complaints of abuse seriously. Complaints of sexual abuse against church personnel in New Zealand are referred to the Church's National Office for Professional Standards (NOPS). Increased public discussion, such as with the Inquiry, can be the catalyst for people to come forward. We encourage anyone who has been abused by a priest or religious to contact NOPS, for your story to be heard and your complaint to be investigated. Alternately you may choose to go directly to the Police, and the Church will support anyone who requires assistance to do this.

Email: prof.standards@nzcbc.org.nz Web: <https://safeguarding.catholic.org.nz/> Phone: 0800 114 622

For those whose lives are affected by the enduring and painful memory of abuse. May their families, friends and supporters renew their trust and security in loving relationships. May all members of the Church be instruments

~UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER~

6th Aug – The Transfiguration of the Lord

6th Aug – Reconciliation @ 7pm for 1st Holy Communion Children & Parents

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

15th Aug – The Assumption of the Virgin Mary

25th Aug – St Mary's School House Mass

25th Aug – Parish FOOD FESTIVAL

ANNUAL PARISH FOOD FESTIVAL

This year, our annual food festival will be held on **Sunday 25th August** in the Parish Hall after Sunday Mass. All proceeds will contribute to the Youth group's funding for the 2027 World Youth Festival in South Korea. If you are available to help on that morning or set up your own stall, please contact **Lenora Foliaki** (lenorafoliaki@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

For more info contact **Simon Archer** 021 400 729 | simon@fli.org.nz or visit fli.org.nz/speaking-tour-2024

Join us for an informative conference discussing foundational pro-life principles and life and family issues of concern today.

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/>

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

St Patrick's Cathedral – Masses for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thurs| 15 Aug| 7 am, 12.15 pm & a special after work of 5.30pm| Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph

\$4.50 MASS PARKING is available for the 5.30 pm Mass only at the Wilson's car park on Hobson St using the ParkMate App. Please use the Promo Code STPATS.

Special Mass for Loss of a Child

Sat| 7 Sept| 5.00pm| St Michael's Catholic Church, Beatrice Ave, Remuera

A Mass will be offered for those who have experienced loss of a child. The Catholic Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist help facilitate healing through fully knowing God's love and mercy.

4.30pm Reconciliation & Adoration follow by 5pm Mass

For more information contact: Brenda Brightwell on behalf of St Michael's Parish, 027 6415615 (Details on Notice board)

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
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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
cyrusjesudas@gmail.com

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

Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

Catherine Ng, Raphael Ng, 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:

Charles McBride, James Buchanan, Phyllic Hunt, Glennis Walsh, Fr. Paddy Murnay, Cathryn M George, Laurie Forde, Jailis Halvey, Bill Tooman, Arthur O'Keefe, Mary Harrison, Mary Daryee, George Wethmer, Fred Dixon, Pat Sheaham, Mary BC Dick, Christina J Japasnik, Francis Parrish, Ivan McEvoy, Josephine Stone, Azaela Morton, Mary Clapham, Edmond Tyne, Sam Pemberton, Cyril Tindle, Sheridan O'Neill, Kathleen Garvey, Catherine Renmy, Catherine Duheq, Elizabeth Noakes, Violet Marisich, Jean Woodstheir souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. For additions or amendments, please e-mail the Parish Office