

**MASS TIMES**

**Sunday** 9:00 am  
 Sun Vietnamese Community 11:30 am  
 Sun Syro- Malabar Comm 7.00 am, 2:00 pm & 5.00 pm

**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

**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**

Date/ Time	2/11/2024 Sat 17:30pm	3/11/2024 Sun 09:00am	9/11/2024 Sat 17:30pm	10/11/2024 Sun 09:00am
<b>Name of Week</b>	All Souls Day	31st Sunday in Ordinary time		32nd Sunday in Ordinary time
<b>Commentators &amp; PoF</b>	Cyrus Jesudas	Anne Casey	Blue Holmes Kinsella	Theresa Stowers
<b>1st Reader</b>	Jacinta Chow	Alekhya Kondaveeti	Cyrus Jesudas	Rizalee Galvez
<b>2nd Reader</b>	John Szczepanski	Taiaopo Lafele	Lara Miranda	Sine Foulger
<b>Communion</b>	Theresa Bennett or Rasika Kalaha Wattega	Leonila Teodoro & Heather Kelly	Sabrina Freitas	Sheila D'Souza & Albert Wolfgram
<b>Altar servers</b>	Aaron & Rachelann D'Lima	Maya MacMenigall, Benjamin Fuimaono & Menula Silva	Rachelann D'Lima & Shavidhu Fernando	Lalith Pudota, Andrew Kurukuntala & Ragnar Ordone
<b>Collectors</b>	Theresa & John Bennett	Lotofusi Tuisaemo & Vol Req	Finau Family	Felcy Kurukuntala & Andrea Solomon
<b>Musician</b>	Emmanual Group	Theresa & Christian	Charmaine D'lima	Martin Ng & family
<b>Laptop</b>	Lara Miranda	Theresa Stowers	D'lima Family	Ng Family
<b>Offertory</b>	Liddington Family	Fuimaono Family	Miranda Family	Yuen Lo Family
<b>Counters</b>		Andy Tibbitts & Ian McCombe		Margaret Burke & Ju Lin Lim
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	St Marys Parents		Vietnamese Comm	
<b>Flower Arrangements</b>	Filipino Comm		Vietnamese Comm	
<b>Morning Tea</b>				

If you wish like to volunteer on a regularly basis in our Liturgy Committee, please email Parish Office, Theresa Stowers [theresa\\_stowers@hotmail.com](mailto:theresa_stowers@hotmail.com) and Andy Tibbitts [andytibbitts@outlook.com](mailto:andytibbitts@outlook.com)

**Last week's collection: \$1679.00**

Thank you so much for your kind generosity.

Our bank account **BNZ 02-0108-0706777-00**

**Kid's Korner Links**

[31st Sun of Ord Time](#)

[Jesus Came to Dinner](#)

The Parish is served by Redemptorist Missionaries  
[www.cssr.com](http://www.cssr.com), [www.cssr.org.au](http://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](mailto: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 31<sup>st</sup> Sun of Ordinary Time 02 / 03 November 2024**

**Not separating the two great commandments**

A kingly cat, returning from a holy pilgrimage, still pounced upon a mouse. This tale serves as a cautionary reminder: religious observance without love for others is hollow.

How easy it is to separate the two great commandments: to think that we can have one without the other, that we can love God without loving our neighbour too. The two commandments are essentially interrelated. True love of neighbour springs from the love of God; and on the other hand, there can be no true love of God that does not express itself in love of neighbour. This is better than all sacrifices. It's easy to let ritual take the place of love. Then we end up with a loveless religion.

Many people are caused problems by a particular person, be it a neighbour or a family member. What can we do? We should avoid any kind of retaliation—this only makes things worse. We should try to keep communicating with the person, even if it's just a matter of saying "good morning" or "good evening." Then we should pray for that person. If we can sincerely pray for a person, it will keep bitterness and hatred from accumulating in our hearts.

Where there is no love, let us sow love, and we will reap love. Where there is no love, let us put love, and we will find love.



I sought God and him I did not see.  
 I sought my soul but it eluded me.  
 I sought my neighbour and found all three.

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

## Mass Readings

Link: <https://universalis.com/nz.auckland/1300/mass.htm>

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Deut 6:2-6: Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart

**Resp Psalm** Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51: R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Heb 7:23-28: This one, because he remains for ever, has an eternal priesthood.

**Gospel:** Mk 12:28-34: This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.



## ~UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER~

9<sup>th</sup> Nov – Faith Sharing Group meet @ 9.45am in Presby Meeting Rm

10<sup>th</sup> November – Parish Picnic in the Park @ 10.30am, Cornwall Park

23<sup>rd</sup> November – Parish Working Bee 29<sup>th</sup> November – Commencement of 9-day Novena after am & pm Masses

2<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Parish RETREAT commence

8<sup>th</sup> Dec – Parish FEAST DAY

## 120 year Anniversary Upcoming Events- Save these Dates!

Some exciting event and activities planned to commemorate our 120 years anniversary of our church, Come join us on:-

**10<sup>th</sup> Nov – Parish Picnic in the Park @ 10.30 a.m.**, BBQ Area on Bollard Avenue, off Campbell Road.

**23<sup>rd</sup> Nov – Parish Working Bee @ 10.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m.** Bring rags, buckets, brooms, shovels etc...

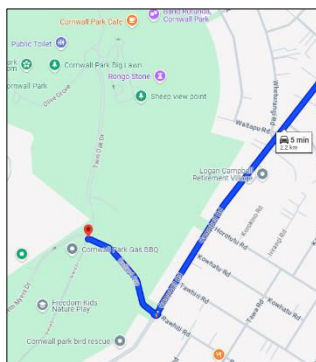
**29<sup>th</sup> Nov – 7<sup>th</sup> Dec – Novena** to Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception (following the morning Mass and evening Mass 6.30 on weekdays and Saturday Vigil Mass)

**30<sup>th</sup> Nov – ICP Wine and Cheese Evening** (following Sat Vigil Mass)

**2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Dec – Parish Retreat** with Retreat speaker Fr. Richard Shortall SJ post morning Mass and evening Mass at 6.30pm.

**7<sup>th</sup> Dec – Parish Feast Vigil Mass @ 5.30pm** (Bishop Peter Brown, C.Ss.R.)

**8<sup>th</sup> Dec – Parish Feast Mass @ 10 a.m.** (Bishop Stephen Lowe) followed by BBQ and Potluck lunch.



## PARISH NOTICES

**NEXT FAITH SHARING GROUP MEET** is on **9<sup>th</sup> Nov after Sat 9am Mass (@9.45am)**, the presbytery meeting room. The passage discussed is from the Gospel for that weekend 32<sup>nd</sup> Sun of Ord time.

**CHURCH CLEANING COORDINATOR NEEDED** We are still looking for a volunteer to coordinate our parish cleaning crew. If you could help, please contact the Parish Office.

## OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH RETREAT

Dates: **Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> (Monday - Friday)**  
Preacher: **Rev. Fr. Richard Shortall SJ**

### Morning Session:

- 8:00 AM - Mass & Novena
- 8:30 - 9:00 AM - Retreat Talk

### Evening Session:

- 6:30 PM - Mass & Novena
- 7:15 - 7:45 PM - Retreat Talk

Please attend the morning or evening sessions.

## Twilight Tuesdays with Akld Cath Singles Social Group

Tues | 12 Nov | 6.00pm | Auckland Museum.

Come and meet other 30-40 yos at the Auckland Museum for their late night event. The Tuitui Museum Bistro & Café has been booked for tapas at 6pm. Afterward, we will wander around the exhibits until the museum closes at 8:30pm. Please register [akcatholicsinglesocialgroup@gmail.com](mailto:akcatholicsinglesocialgroup@gmail.com), if you would like to attend as space is limited.

### The Send event

Join the Auckland Young Catholic groups going to The Send, on **Sat, 23 November**. The Send will feature powerful international Christian speakers like Francis Chan, as well as worship led by top Christian musicians. Find out more and register at: <https://cdathesend.eventbrite.com>

## Enrolments for Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College (TKCTC)

TKCTC is accepting enrolments for semester 1 2025 from 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept to 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2024. **More info on Noticeboard**

## SCHOLARSHIP for Theological Study

Bishop Stephen Lowe is pleased to call for applications for the Ruth Miller Scholarship for Theological Study. This scholarship is available for those already teaching in a Catholic school, who intend to do theology papers towards a Bachelor of Theology degree in 2025. More info and application form, email: [scholarships@cda.org.nz](mailto:scholarships@cda.org.nz). The closing date for applications is **15 NOVEMBER 2024**

## The Walter Francis Darby Trust Scholarship for Medical Students

Attention 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> year active Catholic medical students in 2025, residing within the Auckland Diocese, you may be eligible for the Walter Francis Darby Trust Scholarship. For more information, email [scholarships@cda.org.nz](mailto:scholarships@cda.org.nz). Applications close **15 November 2024**

## Christmas Open House – A St Mary's & The Christmas Store School Fundraiser

**8-10 Nov (10-5pm) & 2-4 Dec (6-9pm)**  
**13, Maungakiekie Avenue, Greenlane**

Cyndy McDonald, owner of The Christmas Store and St Marys school have organised a school fundraiser where you visit Cyndy's decked out mini-Christmas showroom in her home with themed wreaths, Christmas trees, a stairway garland etc... You can purchase Christmas decorations plus get advice on how to make a wreath, put lights on a tree, make bows, theme a tree etc...

Tickets can be purchased through Kindo if you have a child at St Mary's School or by emailing

[stmaryspta@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryspta@gmail.com) to organise direct credit payment. All proceeds go to the school. Bring the kids to view, buy or just get excited about Christmas.



## Parish Activities

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

**Alpha Programme**  
Graeme White  
[alphaellersliecatholic@gmail.com](mailto:alphaellersliecatholic@gmail.com)

**Divine Mercy Novena Group** – Sheila D'Souza  
[celinsheids@gmail.com](mailto:celinsheids@gmail.com)

**Faith Sharing Group**  
Raphael Ng  
[ngathong@gmail.com](mailto:ngathong@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  
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## Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

*Daniel Bridge, Wilma Smith, 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:

*Elgin (Snow) Smith, Michael McNair, Margaret White, Martin H Stapleton, Emily Pile, Harold Peach, Ted Corrigan, Howard Smith, Brian Nasey, Rosemary J Squire, Sis. Charlene Wolfgramm, Patrick Cooney, Mercy Flood, Dick Stack, Celia Forde, Annie Corera, Amanda Davidson, John McGrath, Fr. Jude McCarthy, Laddie Dickey, Isabel Teodoro, Beatrice Fordyce, Rueben Frost, Reginald Pile, Mrs. Graham (Shirley Monaghan's mum), Albert Agnew, Betty Turnock, June Helean their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. For additions or amendments, please e-mail Office*