

MASS TIMES

Sunday 9:00 am
 Sun Vietnamese Community 11:30 am
 Sun Syro- Malabar Comm 7.00 am,
 1.45 pm &
 5.30 pm

Monday (Lit. of the word only) 8.00 am

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

	Sat	Sun	Sat	Sun
Date/ Time	23/05/2026 Sat 5:30pm	24/05/2026 Sun 09:00am	30/05/2026 Sat 5:30pm	31/05/2026 Sun 09:00am
Name of Week		Pentecost Sunday		The Most Holy Trinity
Commentators & PoF	Charmaine D'Lima	Niu Haungatau	Lara Miranda	Junior Youth
1st Reader	Theresa Stowers	Sr Bridget	Theresa Bennett	Junior Youth
2nd Reader	Anitha Fernandes	Taiapo Lafaale	Ryan Castellino	Junior Youth
Communion	Jacinta Chow	Andy Tibbitts & Sheila D'Souza	Rasika Kalaha Watega	Albert Wolgram & Sr Bridget plus volunteer
Altar servers	Shavidhu Fernando, Ramona & Simona Fernandes	Benjamin Lo, Vito & Mele Haungatau, Nevon Naranqoda	Christian D, Adrian Blesson & Tiana Thilakarathne	Zara MacMenigal, Alvin & Edwin Tiby, Ragner Ordono & Gemma Aldrich
Collectors	Lourdes & Christian Domilies	Haungatau family	Stephanie Ward-Kotze & family	Rizalle Galvez & Lotufusi Tuisaemo
Musician	Lara Miranda	Tongan Comm	<i>Volunteer Req</i>	<i>Volunteer req</i>
Laptop	Brendan Liddington	Tongan Community	Esmenia D'Souza	<i>Volunteer req</i>
Offertory	Domilies family	Kafa Family	<i>Volunteer Req</i>	Junior Youth
Counters		Tony Morcom & Denis Dsouza		Andy Tibbitts & Ivan Dsouza
Church Cleaning	Vietnamese Comm		St Marys Parents	
Flower Arrangements	Vietnamese Comm		<i>Volunteer Req</i>	
After Mass refreshments	Jacinta Chow	LITC assigned		

For latest updates and changes, kindly refer to the One Drive file sent via email.

If you are not getting rosters via email, contact the Parish office to be included. If you would like to a role change in the Mass rosters, please email Andy andytibbittsnz@outlook.com and copy in the Parish office.

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 visit our parish website to print a copy.

Last week's collection (Inc. AP): \$2421.40

Thank you so much for your generosity.

Immaculate Conception Ellerslie
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OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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Pentecost Sunday

23 / 24 May 2026



Small Beginnings

Pentecost is the birthday of the Church. It started when the Holy Spirit came down on the apostles like wind and fire, showing God's power and love. Before this, the apostles were afraid and hiding in a locked room. Afterward, the Holy Spirit gave them the courage to go outside and preach about Jesus.

Even though it started with a big event, the Church began very simply. It had no money, no buildings, and only a few people. But because of the Holy Spirit, these people were strong in faith and cared for one another. This reminds us that the strength of the Church comes from the love of its people, not its size.

While the Church today is huge, a massive organization can sometimes feel cold and distant. That is why we need to experience the Church within the warmth and closeness of our local parish. We need a tight-knit community where we truly feel like we belong, where we know each other, and where we can support one another.

Being an active part of this parish community is essential because it is where we find everything we need to live out our faith. Together as a parish family, we listen to God's Word and share Communion. The Holy Spirit is alive in our parish, living in each of us, bringing us together in love, and giving us the courage to share our faith with the world.

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Mass Readings

1st Reading:

Acts 2:1-11: They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

Resp Psalm.

Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34: R. Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

2nd Reading:

1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13: In the one Spirit we were all baptised making one body.

Alleluia, alleluia!
 Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel:

Jn 20:19-23: As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.

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.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

23rd May – Afternoon tea after Mass will be served
24th May – Pentecost Sunday (Morning tea at Hall after Mass)
1st June – King's birthday. Mass at 9 a.m.
7th June – ICP AGM
14th June – School Mass (St. Anthony)
20th June- SP Rehearsal
23rd June – SP Reconciliation

Kids Korner

Children's Liturgy is ON this Sun. We encourage your kids forward when priest calls out for their session in the Presbytery meeting room

Here are some links for Children's Gospel activities: Celebrating Ascension Ascension and our Christian Vocation



Planning to get Married?

The Auckland Catholic Diocese has an approved Marriage Preparation course for couples. Book your course early – 1 yr for NZ, 18 mths for overseas weddings. Register and Book HERE: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/our-courses/>

For more info, contact Gerry Gerrys@cda.org.nz M:021 0224 7442

Rise Up & Shine Festival

Saturday 30th May 2026 | 10:00am - 3:00 pm

Taste the World, Celebrate the Culture! 30th of May Starts at 10am – 3pm with Thanksgiving Mass. Followed by Social Entertainment. Music, Zumba, Food stalls and Cultural Show. Join us at the Migrant Chaplaincy Rise Up & Shine Festival, where every bite tells a story and every dance spark joy.

Rebuild My Church - Dr Mary Healy 9-11 June 2026 | Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Hamilton

Join internationally renowned Catholic theologian Dr Mary Healy for a 3-night formation series exploring Scripture, the Holy Spirit, and living our faith today. The programme also includes clergy and leadership formation events.

A wonderful opportunity for clergy, parish leaders, and anyone seeking to deepen their faith. Register: <https://www.eventzilla.net/e/rebuild-my-church-dr-mary-healy-2138676397>

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Fri | 29 May 2026 | St John Presbyterian Church, 422 Mt Albert Rd, Mt Roskill. Bishop Steve, the Diocesan staff, Fr John Fitzmaurice of Owhiraka parish, invite you to the Ecumenical Day of Prayer for Christian Unity. Light refreshments after the service. [Ecumenism and Interfaith Relations Commission \(ADCEIR\) - Catholic Diocese of Auckland](https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/interfaith-relations-commission)

Wings.Nga Parirua

"Wings" is a welcoming opportunity to grow in faith, deepen understanding of the Gospel, and develop a closer friendship with Jesus through prayer and fellowship. Open to all, it is especially suitable for those who have journeyed through RCIA or Alpha and wish to connect with other parishioners in faith. For details, contact Dianna Fouhy at diannaf@cda.org.nz

WYD 2027 Webinars

In prep for World Youth Day 2027 in Seoul Korea, Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College invites young people to grow in their faith, hope and missionary discipleship, with webinar series, "Take Courage! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). More info at www.tekupenga.ac.nz/webinars-2026

JOSHUA Catholic Men's Fellowship - North Shore

Wed | 27th May 2026 | 7.00pm | St Thomas More Church, Glenfield

Join us for an evening of fellowship and praise and worship. 7:00 pm – Fellowship 7:30 pm – Praise & Worship followed by Topic: **A Journey of Hope - Combating Pornography on the Internet** Presenter: Fr Robert Steele, priest and author helping people find healing, freedom and hope in Christ All men are warmly invited Enquiries: Tet-Woo 021-038 0196 & Dominic 021-100 3694

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
Alpha@ellersliecatholic.org.nz

Baptism Course (<7yo)
Baptism@ellersliecatholic.org.nz

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

Faith Sharing Group
Office@ellersliecatholic.org.nz

Food Bank Delivery
lenorafoliaki@gmail.com

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

Parish History Group
Claudia Forycki
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Jnr & Snr Youth Group
Taiaopo Lafaele
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RCI Programme
RCI@ellersliecatholic.org.nz

Sacramental Prog
SacraProg@ellersliecatholic.org.nz

Complaints
Complaints@ellersliecatholic.org.nz

Safeguarding
Safeguarding@ellersliecatholic.org.nz

Parish News

After Mass refreshments will be served after Saturday evening Mass AND Sunday morning Mass this weekend. Please join us for a cuppa and mingle with fellow parishioners.



DONATION TAX RECEIPTS for Apr 2025 – March 2026 are now available in church foyer for collection



Parish AGM Is on Sunday, June 7. It will take place in the Parish Hall shortly after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. We encourage all parishioners to attend.

Junior Youth Mass on 31st May 2026

On Sunday, 31st May, our Junior Youth team will be hosting the Mass. If your children would like to get involved, please email Alekhya for details. (alekhyakondaveeti2003@gmail.com)

Jubilee Year of St Francis (1226–2026) Franciscan Friars Vocation Dinner – Auckland. You are warmly invited to join the Franciscan Friars for an evening of prayer, fellowship, and conversation. Wednesday, **27 May - 6:00pm (Mass and Evening Prayer, followed by a shared meal) at St Francis Retreat Centre (50 Hillsborough Road, Mt Roskill, Auckland).** This gathering is for single men aged 18–40 to learn more about Franciscan religious life and to ask questions in a relaxed and welcoming environment. RSVP / Enquiries: Br Philip Jeffares OFM +64 210 414 642 Br Yornes Panggur OFM +64 225 259 93 Email: vocations@franciscans.org.au

Fr Paul Turner Ars Celebrandi Workshop

Sat | 25 July 2026 | Christ the King Church, 260 Richardson Rd, Mt Roskill

Mass: 9am | Sessions: 10am–2.30pm Morning tea provided. BYO lunch.

The NZ Catholic Bishops Conference invites clergy, parish liturgy teams, school staff, deacons, and all involved in liturgy preparation to a workshop with international liturgist Fr Paul Turner. Inspired by Pope Francis' *Desiderio Desideravi*, the workshop will explore the art of celebrating the liturgy with reverence and understanding. Fr Paul Turner is Kansas City pastor for Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception and a well-known author and speaker on Catholic liturgy. Register: www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/paul-turner/



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Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

Evelyn Leech, Andy Tibbitts, Fran Duncan, Dolores Custodio, Daniel Bridge, Wilma Smith, Catherine Ng, Edward Salvatore Fleming, Lily Chua, Carrie Canapi, Valerian Luis, Joan Luis, Gary Chen, Rowena Edgeworth, Alyne 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:

James Irwin, Margaret Xavier, Marnie Inwood, Elaine Hegan, Wally Brown, Irene Mayall, William Sullivan, Lillian Keeper, Edmund B McMullen, Catherine Cavanagh, Jim Hay, Patrick Geraghty, Elizabeth Garvey, Roy Herk, Marguerita Walsh, Charles Poulsen, Katherine Barry, Marie Chapman, Fr. Frank Shannahan, Priscilla Santos, Mirian Quinlan, Sam Ford, Merija Didovich, Doreen Cole, Olive Watson, Syd Tonks, Ray Smith, Moana Bernard, Arthur Woodlock, Jack Cheeseman, John Richardson, Jack Healy, Tom Scanlan, Maria Lenart, Lillian Dowd, Baby Manuel, Anthony Meaney and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. For additions or amendments, please contact the Parish Office