

Day	Ministers of the Word	Ministers of the Eucharist	Altar Servers	Cleaners
Saturday 22nd Dec. 2018 5:00 p.m.	Valerie Johnson Alisi Otufungavalu	Lydia Quadros Margaret Koay Mathias Gomes Diana Gomes Ferdinand Pinto	Kevin Chiara Jared Stephan Ana	Samoan Community
Sunday 23rd Dec. 2018 9:30 a.m	Samoan Community	Monica Austin Cheryl Moan Luc Marie Bro Micheal Goh Lydia Quadros	Radelle Paje Meela Gloria Nelisa	

Rosters for Next Week

Saturday 29th Dec. 2018 5:00 p.m.	Rosalie Su'a Theresa Filipo	Vaeani Vaiaoga-Salele Sofia Flipo Margaret Koay Fili Filipo Alisi Otufangavalu	Zoisha Chiara Matthew Greta Nelisa	
Sunday 30th Dec. 2018 9:30 a.m	Tongan Chaplaincy Choir	Frederick Quadros Mele Vuni Malia Falemaka Nola Paku Bro Micheal Goh	Radelle Gabe Meela Gloria Stephan	

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Taking flesh in a very human way

Amazing progress has taken place in our ability to view the unborn child as it develops in its mother's womb. From a certain stage in her baby's growth, a mother has always been able to feel the child moving inside her. Fathers too have been able to place a hand on the mother's stomach and feel their child as it kicks and jumps. However, ultrasound technology has revolutionised how people understand and think about human life in the womb. Now, rather than just feeling their child move, a mother and father can actually see it. They can watch as it sucks its thumb, as it turns and stretches. An incredible video called Window to the Womb even shows an unborn child doing somersaults inside its mother's womb!

It has become common practice for expectant parents to be given ultrasound pictures of their unborn children. They rightly consider these to be the first photographs of their child. Sometimes they even put them in frames or save them in photo albums. They provide a record of the first nine months of life.

We now know that much more is going on in the womb that we previously imagined. We can see the unborn child living in harmony and security with its mother and, through her, with the outside world. Ultrasound enables us to see and appreciate what God has always known: the beauty and wonder of human life as it grows and develops.

Very soon we shall be placing the child Jesus in the manger of our Christmas cribs. The figure of that tiny baby reminds us that God has not only blessed us by creating us but also chose to become one with us. God can work through human lives and make them extraordinary. Mary and Elizabeth had faith to believe God's promises; they were prepared to trust God's word.

The visitation is more than a nice story. It's an invitation to deepen our faith and trust in God's love. It's a call to recognise the presence of Christ in the people we meet and to allow Christ to shine through our often fragile human lives. Mary and Elizabeth were unique in what God asked of them. We too have a unique calling. As someone once said, we are all meant to be mothers of God, because Jesus needs to be continually born in our lives.

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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT - Year C
23RD DECEMBER, 2018

VIGIL MASS: 5:00 P.M.

SUNDAY MASS: 9:30 A.M.

Weekday MASSES :

Monday to Friday 7.00am

Saturday 8.00am

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS: 08:00 A.M

SPECIAL MASSES:

Sick and Elderly 12:00noon every 4th Sunday

First Friday 7:00p.m. every 1st Friday

Tamil 6:30 pm every 1st Saturday

Fijian 2:00p.m every 2nd Sunday

The Holy Rosary
Is prayed before Mass Daily

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays : 9-9.30am

Every 4TH Wednesdays : 7-8:00 p.m.



**WISHING ALL OUR
PARISHIONERS A
VERY WARM
CHRISTMAS SEASON
AND
A HAPPY AND
PEACEFUL NEW YEAR**

Liturgy of the Word

Liturgy of the Word- Sunday 23rd December, 2018

First Reading Micah 5:1-4

Ps 80 p84

Second Reading Hebrews 10: 5-10

Gospel Luke 1:39-44

Liturgy of the Word- Sunday 30th December, 2018

First Reading Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6, 12-14

Ps 128 p. 139

Second Reading Colossians 3:12-21

Gospel Luke 2:41-52

Sunday Offering for 16th December, 2018

NZ\$ 1,259.00

Thank You for your generosity

Prayers For The Sick

Jesus the Healer, we commend to your gentle hands those who are sick:

Larissa Salt, Purvashree Pai e Souza Fr. Albert Williams, Michael Brady, Regina Lee, Gloria Cruz, Monique Simon, Emily Matthews, Ali Ahmed, Ana Hiliate, Mafi Lelea, Rosemary Cannon, Jenny Toh, Leo Ziglani, Peter McConnel, Anamalia Vakameilalo, Vyga Sanu, Tuala Akeli, Tafu Tuala, Anna Maria Coelho, Irene Makanga, Elena Roman, Siosianna Tuli, Po'e Heather, Neil Almeida, Philomena Stevens, Telesia Folaumahina, Babs Lyons,

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially:

Br. John Paul FMS, Shirley Mathew, Fili Otufangavalu, Virginia Faye Perelini, Robert Coutinho, Gladys Lopez, Philomena Pinto, Bradley, Betty Drinnan, Wenceslaus Anthony, Jacob Saldanha, Peter R. Drinnan, Ngaire, Wim Bolscher, Finau Schaaf, Betty Coutinho, OlaDevit, Lila Vaiaoga, Rev. Msgr. Lui Tevaga, Carmeline D'cruz, Diego Coelho, Percy Nazareth, Mele Toloa, Felix Giborees, Rosy Vaz, Jerome Aranha,

Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord, let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

St Therese Parish News

There will be no Morning Mass on the 24th December, 2018

Pogramme: 2018 Christmas & New Year

Monday, 24.12.18

07:15 p.m. Vigil Mass (Carols followed by Mass) led by Youth and Family Choir

10:30pm Christmas Mass (Carols followed by Mass) led by the Samoan Community

Tuesday, 25.12.18

9:30am Christmas Day Mass led by the Tongan Community

Sunday, 30.12.18

9:30 a.m. Feast of the Holy Family led by The Tongan Chaplaincy Youth

Monday, 31.12.18

10:00pm New Year's Eve Mass led by Indian Community

Tuesday, 1.1.19

9:30am New Year's Day Mass Samoan Community

From 26 December 2018 to 5 January 2019, morning mass during the week will be at 8:00 a.m.

From 7 January 2019, mass timings reverse to normal (i.e. 7:00a.m.)

Meetings

Parish Council Meeting 3rd February 2019 at 11:00a.m.
Fundraising comm meeting 1st week Feb, 2019 7:15 pm
Liturgy committee meeting 13th Feb. 2019 at 7.15 pm
Finance Comm. meeting on 14 Feb 2019 at 7:15 pm

Friday Eucharistic Adoration

There will be no Divine Mercy Devotion from 2ND December till Easter
First Friday mass will be celebrated at 7.00 am and 7:00 p.m.
Mass on other Friday evenings will resume during Lent after Stations of the Cross

Mass for the Sick on 23rd December 2018 at 12:00 noon

A special Mass is held every 4th Sunday of the month for the Sick and Elderly. The mass is at 12.00 noon. Anointing of the sick is held during the mass.

St John Paul II Auckland Rosary

Every Saturday at 12.00 noon a 20 decade rosary is prayed in our church

St Vincent de Paul

For assistance/Make Donations, please contact Rosemary Giborees on 0272833140. Special thanks to all who donate

NZ CATHOLIC 23rd – 26th Jan 2019 Issue

Headlines and a few of the topics

1. Papal medal awarded in recognition of decades in Maori mission.
 2. Wellington has new pro-cathedral.
 3. First Baptism at Otago Corrections Facility.
 4. Pope's year in review.
- The next issue of NZ Catholic will be published on January 27..

Mercy Spirituality Centre

104 The Drive, Epsom. Ph. 638 6238 or
info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz or
www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz

- RETREAT DAY: Rediscovering Wholeness of Life in Christ: How gratitude opens the way with SARAH COOPER. Sat 16 Feb, 9.30am-3.30pm. \$65 incl. lunch.
 - MUSIC WORKSHOP: Psalms and Gratitude with Fr CHRIS SKINNER sm. Sat 23 Feb, 10am-1pm. \$30 incl. Morning tea. St Columba Centre.
 - DREAMWORK 101: Introduction to Dreamwork with MARGARET BOWATER. Fri 23 Feb, 6-9pm & Sat 23 Feb, 9.30am-4pm. \$130.
- See our website for more details.
Bookings essential, email:
info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz to register.

Hear the Cry of the Poor and of the Earth. A day of retreat and reflection on hearing the 'cry of the poor and of the earth' through the lives of St. Mary MacKillop who urged us to 'seek the poorest' and ecologist Julian Tenison Woods. Led by Lyndall Brown rsj and Jill McLoughlin rsj 9am-4pm Saturday 23 February 2019 Mary McKillop Centre 30 Holgate Rd Kohimarama. Cost: \$15 including lunch. Numbers limited. Please register with Peter Garrick peterg@cda.org.nz ph 022 1300 730 to secure your place

Pilgrimages departing in 2019 to The Holy Land, Medjugorje and within NZ. Expressions of interest welcome. Visit: www.pilgrimage.nz or see noticeboard for details. Contact Patricia Parsons on 0274 219 064. E: info@mirpilgrimages.co.nz

Auckland Catholic Diocese News



St Therese School News

Newsletters at the back of the church. School Brochures available. Please take one.
We are taking enrolments for Yr 7 & 8, boys and girls, and for all other year levels for 2019. Please take a school brochure from the back of the church if you are interested or contact the school. All inquiries are welcome. A tour of the school can be arranged.
Phone: 09 6220 9441
Website: www.sainttherese.school.nz
Facebook: www.facebook.com/saintthereseschool

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT - Year C
 2ND DECEMBER, 2018
 MASS: Saturday 5.00pm
 Sunday 9.30am
 Monday to Friday 7.00am & Fridays 7.30 p.m.
 Saturday 8.00am
 The Holy Rosary
 Is prayed before Mass Daily
 SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
 Saturdays 9-9.30am
 Mass for Sick & Elderly – 23RD DECEMBER at 12.00 noon
 1st Friday Mass 7th December 2018
 Tamil Mass 15ST Dec. 6:30 pm./ Fijian Mass 9TH December 18

St Francis Retreat Centre



FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT - Year C 2ND DECEMBER, 2018

NORMAL MASSES:

Saturday 5:0000pm
 Sunday 9.30am
 Monday to Friday 7.00am
 Saturday 8.00am

SPECIAL MASSES:

Sick and Elderly 12:00noon every 4th Sunday
 First Friday 07:00a.m. every 1st Friday
 Tamil 6:30 pm every 1st Saturday
 Fijian 02:00p.m every 2nd Sunday

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Liturgy Centre is holding A SEMINAR on February 16th 2019. This is a seminar for readers and cantors. Five speakers will present material on various aspects of the Ministry of the Word. This is an excellent opportunity for readers, cantors and all involved with the preparation of liturgy, to deepen their knowledge and skills. We are very hopeful that parishes will encourage their readers and cantors to attend this seminar, perhaps organizing shared transport. The seminar will be held at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Church St, Onehunga, February 16th from 10am – 3pm. Bring your own Lunch.

To register, email tinac@cda.org.



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5:0000pm