

## Community Notices & Events

### 2021 Daily Mass Calendars

Available from the Parish Office.

\$5 each. Limited copies available.

### 2021 Columban Art Calendars

Available to buy from the Parish Office.

\$12 each. These make lovely Christmas gifts. Limited copies available.

### Diocesan Youth Mass Sunday 29 November, 7pm, St Patrick's Cathedral, City.

All welcome to come along to the last Diocesan Youth Mass for the year, followed by nibbles in Liston Hall.

### Monte Cecilia Christmas Appeal

#### Gift donations needed.

This year Monte Cecilia has 1,410 children in their care who have been exposed to homelessness, living in cars and/or have no place to call home. Monte Cecilia has a tradition of providing a gift for every child so they may experience a little Christmas joy. If you can help, please contact Elaine Lolesio: elaine@montececilia.co.nz, ph 027 777 0632.

### St Mary's Xmas Concert Sunday 6 December, 7pm, St Mary's CM Hall.

Celebrate Christmas with the St Mary's College Music Department. Performances from the Brass Ensemble, Choirs, Chamber Orchestra, Piano Club. Adults \$10, children free.

### NZpray2day

#### A free app from Te Kupenga - the Catholic Leadership Institute.

Helping you seek a moment to reflect, pray and respond to the ancient Christian cycle of seasons, saints and readings. Available from the App or Google Play Store.

### St Ignatius & Mother of Perpetual Help

#### Our Transition Committee asks for feedback.

Suggestions, questions etc. Please reply by Parish email: stignatius\_stheliers@xtra.co.nz or Parish phone ph 09 575 5227.

### Parish Contact Details

Ph: 575 5227

Email: stignatius\_stheliers@xtra.co.nz

Parish Priest: Fr John Dunn

Pastoral Assistant: Maggy Hamilton, ph 021 562 449.

## Next Week's Ministers

### Saturday 5 December

Greeter: Anna Lippard

Altar Servers: Russell Kereru, Colin Davis

Commentator: Fiona Mahony

Data Projector: Bevan Murphy

Readers: Alf Gatt, Josephine Ellis

Bread Minister: Colin Davis

Cup Ministers: None

Collectors: Carlos Ramos, Daniel Samy

### Sunday 6 December

Greeter: Sylvia Langridge, Victoria Atkinson

Altar Servers: Emili Snowden, Anastacia Campos

Commentator: Ana Matijasevich

Data Projector: Sherridon Grant

Readers: Jim Gildea, Gabrielle Findlay

Bread Ministers: Anthony Matijasevich, Amy Laithwaite

Cup Ministers: None

Collectors: Christine Meads, Felise Pailate

Counters: Jannie van Hees, Kirsten Topp

Morning tea: Ann Howard, John Howard

Linen: Christine Webster



"Keep alert"

Mark 13:33-37

# St Ignatius Parish

## Today's Readings

### 1st reading:

Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1.3-8

Oh that you would tear the heavens apart and come down.

### Psalm: Ps 79:2-3.15-16. 18-19

### 2nd reading:

Corinthians 1:3-9

The revelation we looked for, Christ Jesus our Lord.

### Gospel:

Mark 13:33-37

Stay awake! You never know when the Lord will come.

## Introduction to the Gospel 1st Sunday of Advent

During Advent, in each year of the three-year cycle, the theme of the first week looks to the end times – the eschaton – with an emphasis on the second coming of Jesus and the need to be ready. In the early Church there was an expectation that Jesus would return quickly. In their post-Easter faith, believers knew that Jesus had been taken up to heaven at the ascension (a man travelling abroad, as mentioned in this gospel?) and that he was remaining with God

until the time came for him to return in triumph. For Mark, it is now the Church which waits and must remain always ready to greet the master on his return. The 'waiting' theme of Advent is established: we await the birth of the child and we await the fulfilment of human history at the end times when Jesus comes again. What must you do to be fully prepared for the coming of Christ into your life as a Christian? What is your greatest expectation at this point in your life?

## Baptism Course

Starting February 2021

If you would like to have your baby or toddler baptised, our next Baptism Course will be starting on Thursday 4 February, 7.30pm - 9pm. For more information or to register, please email Gina: [stignatius.sacraments@gmail.com](mailto:stignatius.sacraments@gmail.com)

## Hamper Packing & Delivery

Sunday 6 December, after Mass, Parish Centre

Everyone is invited to help pack the Christmas Food Hampers and assist with delivery. Our teenagers will be on the production line. We need lots of volunteers so please consider staying on after mass to help. We also need cars and drivers to deliver the hampers once packed. Please email [gina@autosys.co.nz](mailto:gina@autosys.co.nz) if you and your car can help.

## Readings

**Monday**

Romans 10:9-18

Gospel: Matthew 4:18-23

**Tuesday**

Isaiah 11:1-10

Gospel: Luke 10:21-24

**Wednesday**

Isaiah 25:6-10

Gospel: Matthew 15:29-37

**Thursday**

Isaiah 26:1-6

Gospel: 7:21,24-27

**Friday**

Isaiah 29:17-24

Gospel: Matthew 9:27-31

**Saturday**

Isaiah 30:1-26

Gospel: Matthew 9:35-10:1,6-8

## Prayers

Let us pray for all of the **sick & elderly in the Parish**

If you would like anyone remembered in the Mass, or know of anyone who is unwell, please contact the Parish Office.

## Anniversaries

**November**

Marie Dulihanty

Fay Hudner

Dhiren Perera

John Galvin

Ivan Downs

Valentina Warren

## Royal Commission of Inquiry

**Into Abuse in Care**

Starting in late November and early December, the Royal Commission will focus on cases involving the Catholic Church. While this may be a difficult time for survivors and many in our communities, this is an important process. We pray for survivors for ongoing courage as they share their experience with the Commission. We listen to their experiences and acknowledge failings, support the justice and reconciliation process, and look forward to the future with hope. Our Bishopss and congregational leaders requested that churches and faith-based organisations be included in the Royal Commission process, to acknowledge the past, listen and learn from the experiences of survivors, and participate in seeking justice.

## Xmas Hampers: Thank You

**We have now reached our \$28,000 goal and the food has been ordered.**

A HUGE thank you for your generous donations towards our 270 Christmas Food Hampers for local families in need.

## Mass & Sacrament of Anointing Parish Groups

**Tuesday 8 December, 2pm, St Ignatius Church**

We invite you to come and celebrate the Mass of Mary's Immaculate Conception which will include the Sacrament of anointing at 2pm, Tuesday 8 December. Followed by a cup of tea and a catch up. We look forward to seeing you all there.

## Christmas Hams

**Support the Baradene Rowing Squad with their annual fundraiser. Free local delivery.**

Get your Christmas dinner or staff Christmas gifts sorted with quality NZ ham on the bone. Half Ham \$64. Whole ham \$110. Email your order to: [ruthlees@icloud.com](mailto:ruthlees@icloud.com) before 2 Dec. Please include:

- Your name
  - Number of hams (half or whole)
  - Delivery address (for delivery after 5pm on Wednesday 16 December) and phone number
  - Confirmation of payment
- Pay directly to Baradene Rowing: A/c 01-0258-0061986-00 when you place your order. Reference: **LEES Your Surname**

## Xmas Hamper Wrapping

**Sunday 29th November, 10.40am, Parish Centre**

Bring along scissors and sellotape. Thank you to Eliza Patton for pre-cutting all the christmas wrap for 270 hampers!

## Weekly Masses & Devotions

**Masses**

Mon	8.30am
Tues	8.30am
Wed	8.30am
Thu	9am
Fri	8.30am
Sat	5.30pm vigil
Sun	9.30am
Reconciliation by appointment	

**Devotions**

**Adoration**  
Glen Innes, 8am  
Wednesday

**Exposition**

Glendowie  
9.30am-6.45pm  
Thursday

**Prayer Chain**

If you would like prayer support for any reason at all **Email Glennis on [glen.bob01@gmail.com](mailto:glen.bob01@gmail.com)** to be added to the prayer chain.

**Glenbrae School Reading &**

**Conversation Group**  
One on one pupils in Years 1-4, one hour per week. Contact Cynthia for more info: [morriscm.nz@gmail.com](mailto:morriscm.nz@gmail.com)

**TweenScene**

Meeting regularly for fun get-togethers. Email [tweenscene.parish@gmail.com](mailto:tweenscene.parish@gmail.com) to join the mailing list.

**TeenScene**

Meeting regularly for fun get-togethers. For more information email: [kim.ballinger@icloud.com](mailto:kim.ballinger@icloud.com)

**Card Group**

Meeting every Wednesday at 1pm in the Hall foyer. All welcome to come along for a fun and friendly afternoon of cards, a cup of tea and a chat. For more info call Bob ph 575 7622.