

## Mass Times after Christmas & in January

December 26 - 31, No Masses.

Saturday 31 Vigil Mass 5.15 St Ignatius

Saturday 7th January 5.15 Vigil Mass will be at MOPH

Sunday Masses as normal, 9.00 (St Ignatius) 10.30 (MPH)

Weekday Masses in January as usual.

**PLEASE NOTE:**  
There will be **NO VIGIL MASSES** at Sacred Heart College in January.

## Advent Retreat for Both Parishes

Please come and join the Advent retreat led by Josephite Sister Jill McLoughlin next Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> at MOPH from 10.00am to 2.00pm.

## Our Mass Survey

There were responses to the survey on behalf of 171 people from both Parishes. I thank you all. The Parish Council is working on them and will get back to you with their feedback in the New Year. If you would like to answer the questionnaire, there is still time. Please contact Karla.

Type the URL into a browser [bit.ly/3SQp6zQ](https://bit.ly/3SQp6zQ)

## A blessed Christmas, blessed holidays, and a blessed New Year!!

To our teachers, our schoolchildren, our families and everyone in our Parish communities, we wish safe and happy holidays. To us all, May God bless us this Christmas season as we conclude our year 2022 and walk with us in our New Year 2023.

*Fr John Dunn*



**MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH**



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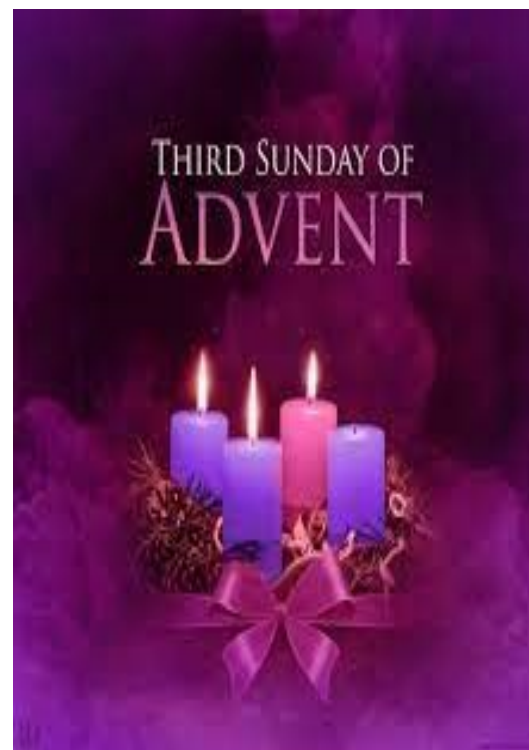
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**Third Sunday of Advent**



**St Ignatius and Mother of Perpetual Help Parishes**  
**Newsletter for Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

Dear parishioners,

Two more weeks till Christmas! Some of us will be looking forward to Christmas, while others of us will be in the present, thinking how we are going to manage the fortnight before.

One piece of good news: Our secretary Karla is able to be back at work on Monday, and we share with her our gratefulness to God that she is returning to good health. Welcome back, Karla. Please keep in your prayers, Betty Mortimer and Mary Evans (both Mother of Perpetual Help parishioners) who are in hospital.

On behalf of both our Parish communities, I would like to thank and congratulate all those — especially the large number of our young people — who got together after Mass on Sunday to pack and distribute 275 food hampers (each one decorated with Christmas paper). It all took only 45 minutes! Some unpacked the food and put it next to the two production lines, where our young people each packed one item in its own place. Then there were people to load the cars, others to deliver the hampers, others again to pack for recycling all the cardboard boxes in which the food had come. And a great thank you to all of you who donated over \$30,000 dollars for this enterprise to make it possible. God bless you all for your generous love. We have already had thanks from Sr Marie at Te Waipuna, from the principal at Glenbrae school, and verbal thanks to me from Fr Felise (Glen Innes). But I join you in looking forward to the day when these hampers are not needed — it will be a different kind of Christmas!

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

We have already celebrated a beautiful, reflective, Rite II Reconciliation last Wednesday. I am available this Saturday and next from 4.00pm at Mother of Perpetual Help until Vigil Mass time.

**IMPORTANT!**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT**

**Because of the size of our congregations**  
**ALL OUR CHRISTMAS MASSES WILL BE**

**AT**

**SACRED HEART COLLEGE CHAPEL**

**There will be **NO MASSES** in St Ignatius  
and Mother of Perpetual Help  
CHURCHES**

**Christmas Mass Times**

**Christmas Eve: 5.15pm**

**and**

**9.00pm**

**Christmas Day 9.00am**

**Please share this information  
with your family and friends**