

St Pius X Catholic Church

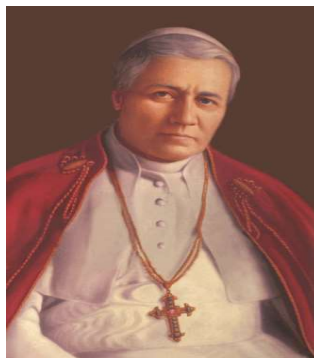
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Catholic School
GLEN INNES

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& 3pm Mon-Fri during term
time; or visit
www.saintpiusx.school.nz

9TH DECEMBER 2018 C

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THEME:

***"I am quite certain that the One who began this good work
in you will see that it is finished."***

*Good morning and welcome to the celebration of the Eucharist.
The key to all our success stories is to be found in the preparations we
make for them. Today we are invited to prepare a way for the Lord.*

1st Reading: Baruch 5:1 – 9

Baruch echoes the message of Isaiah that God will enable us to walk safely
on level ground.

2nd Reading: Philippians 1:3 – 6, 8 – 11

Paul wants us to prepare for the Day of Christ. His prayer for us is that we
will always recognise what is best.

Gospel Reading: Luke 3:1 – 6

Sometimes on a long journey we can get tired and disillusioned and wonder why we ever began it in the first place. Apart from the fact that we may become physically tired, there can also be the tension that arises with those who share the journey with us. We may have had to do our fair bit of bridge-building on that front and know that overcoming personal relationship problems can be much more taxing than finding or preparing a straight road to our destination. It is here that we can begin to take Paul's prayer to heart: increasing in love for each other, improving our knowledge and deepening our perception so that we can always recognise what is best. As Christians we have so much to offer others and especially at this time of the year. Christmas, for all that we may feel it has been hijacked by the commercial world, still touches the hearts of people and the story loses none of its magic, no matter how often it is told. Tell the story again to one another and especially to the children. Look back and see just how far you have come; hopefully the building has been going up more quickly than you realised. And now look for ways to smooth out what still needs sorting before the Lord comes again.

Advent blessings to you all! Felise Lemi. ☺

MASSES

Sunday: 8.30am & 10am

Tuesday, Wednesday,

Thursday, Friday & Saturday:
9am

Ethnic Masses

Tongan Mass: 2nd Saturday of
the month at 6pm

Samoan Mass: 4th Sunday
Of the month at 4.30pm

ADORATION

1st Saturday of the month &
Wednesday's
8am—9am

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

1st Saturday of the month at 9am

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 8.30am and after
9am Mass or by appointment
with Fr Felise Lemi

ST PIUS X PARISH OFFICE

OPENING HOURS

Tuesday—Friday
9am—3pm

Phone: (09) 528 6131

Fax: (09) 528 6043

Email:

office@gleninnescatholic.org.nz

Contact: Julianna Laga'aia

WEEKLY READINGS YEAR C

MONDAY 10/12/18

ISAIAH 35:1 – 10
LUKE 5:17 – 26

TUESDAY 11/12/18

ISAIAH 40:1 – 11
GOSPEL MATTHEW 18:12 – 14

WEDNESDAY 12/12/18

ISAIAH 40:25 – 31
GOSPEL MATTHEW 11:28 – 30

THURSDAY 13/12/18

ST LUCY, VIRGIN, MARTYR
ISAIAH 41:13 – 20
GOSPEL MATTHEW 11:11 – 15

FRIDAY 14/12/18

ST JOHN OF THE CROSS, PRIEST, DOCTOR
ISAIAH 48:17 – 19
GOSPEL MATTHEW 11:16 – 19

SATURDAY 15/12/18

SIRACH 48:1 – 4, 9 – 11
GOSPEL MATTHEW 17:10 – 13



COMMEMORATION OF THE DEAD

Recently deceased

Bernice Engles
Faavaega Tavu'i Ah-Ping
Lumepa Tonumaivao – Tai

Anniversaries of their deaths:

Sala Eneliko, Ake (Helen) Mateariki,
Pakii Mata, Kim Wijohn, Alfred Thomas,
Meeiy Jameson, Eric Murphy,
Majory Dawn, Eve Hayden, Marion Message, Charles
Hovell, Christina Gilbert, Thomas Warfe
And all our families and friends, past parish priests and
parishioners who have gone before us.

*ETERNAL REST, GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD,
AND LET YOUR PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE ON THEM.
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.
AMEN*

ST VINCENT de PAUL/CARE GROUP –

Bread is available Tuesdays & Thursdays 7pm outside the church. For more enquiries please see contact
Sialia Patelesio 575 4165/021 417 980 or
Rajeli Wara on 527 2373.

Sunday Schools & Prayer Groups Meeting Times

Children's Liturgy: Sundays at 10am – 10.30am in the presbytery.

Contact: Christina Tagaloa

Samoan Sunday School: Sundays after 10am Mass in the hall.

Contact: Niulagi Taisau.

Tongan E.C.L.: Saturdays at 3pm – 5pm in the hall.

Contact: Lupe Sosefo

Tongan Legion of Mary: 1st Saturdays of the Month after 9am Mass, in the church

Samoan Legion of Mary: Saturday Mornings 8am – 9am in the meeting room

Tongan Divine Mercy: Wednesday nights (fortnightly) after 6pm Mass in the church

Samoan Divine Mercy: Saturdays at 2.30pm – 4pm in the church.

Fijian Community: 9 Hour Novena to the Infant King of Prague from 7am and last hour finishes at 3pm. Contact: Reginald Tora



Prayer requests/intentions place in Suggestion Box in the church foyer or send to office@gleninnescatholic.org.nz

CARITAS Bishops Lenten Appeal 2018 - THANK YOU ☺

As we enter the holy season of advent, and reflect on the year that has been, we would like to thank you for all of your support for the work of Caritas. In particular we thank you for your participation in the 2018 Lenten journey and the NZ Catholic Bishops Lent Appeal. We have put together a video of the communities in Timor Leste thanking you for your parish's support this past Lenten season. To view the video, click the image above or click here.

All the parishes from across the country managed to raise \$1million for the Lent Appeal this year. This money will go directly towards assisting poor and vulnerable communities around the world. Thank you for your support, and for keeping us and our work in your prayers. You will soon receive our Christmas Update newsletter providing examples of how your generous donations have been used for good.

Planning for 2019

You should expect to receive another email next week outlining the resources for Lent 2019. This will also contain approximate dates of when to expect these resources as well as an order form for the Lenten Reflection Booklets for 2019.

RITE OF RECONCILIATION – FRIDAY 21ST DECEMBER 2018

On **Friday 21st December 2018 at 7pm**, will be Reconciliation in the church. This is open to anyone and everyone and a great opportunity to make time with the Lord, in preparation for the birth of Jesus.

Summer Food Fair (Gala day)

A huge **CONGRATULATIONS** to all our communities and participants in our Summer Food Fair held yesterday! It sure was wonderful to see and feel the spirit of unity in the midst of purchasing and selling the various items on site. Thank you to all for pulling through to make this event happen and to all who supported our Fundraiser ☺ A finalised report of how much raised and donations given will be detailed in next weeks' newsletters; so be sure to tune in! ☺

Youth & Children's Liturgy

Christmas Concert 2018 – To end off the year, the youth will host a Christmas concert with the theme “WHAT DOES CHRISTMAS MEAN TO YOU?” on **Sunday 16th December 2018 @ 5pm – 9pm**. It will be a night of entertainment and “a night to remember☺”, ideal and fun for children and their families. (A special surprise will follow – you don't want to miss out☺). Each group/community will receive the programme for this night; and if you have further enquiries please contact our youth leaders ☺

13 Days of Christmas Carols – Due to the busy schedule and unforeseen circumstances, 13 Days of Christmas Carols is diminished to 5 days; which will be followed through after the Christmas Concert. We will be visiting a lot of your families so please do not be offended as our intention is to share the Christmas spirit with you all ☺ Watch this space for more info the following week ☺

Children's Liturgy practice all week from 11th – 14th December 2018 from 4pm – 5pm in the church ☺

St Pius X Catholic School, Glen Innes

It's not long now until the children from our school finish for the year. Up and coming for their events this year are as follows:

- **Christmas/Advent Liturgy** – The children will showcase a variety of performances from each class in music and script plays etc @ Monday 10th December 2018 @ 6.30pm. Your attendance and support for our children will be most appreciated.
- **Graduation Mass and Prize giving** Thursday 13th December 2018 - Mass will be dedicated to St Pius X Catholic School Year 8 Graduates, followed by School Prizegiving in the hall @ 12pm.

Reflection Day 'Taize' – Friday 14th December 2018 - 7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.

A meditative, candlelit service which will include singing of chants, listening to the Word of God, intercessory prayer and ample time for a quiet prayer in an atmosphere of silence and peace.

Facilitated by Jill McLoughlin rsj on Friday 14th December 2018 - 7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. @ Mary MacKillop Centre - 56 Selwyn Avenue Mission Bay Auckland Light supper served at conclusion. Registrations to Auckland. MMKCentre@sosj.org.au

Time Out Day for Prayer and Reflection

St Francis Retreat Centre Time Out Day for prayer and reflection on Wednesday 12th December 2018, 9.30am – 2.30pm @50 Hillsborough Rd Mt Roskill. Light lunch provided. Gold coin donation for the day. Booking essential : ph. 09 625 6651 or email admin@stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz

Proclaim the Word Seminar

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.nz (see poster for more details).

Parish Administrator Glendowie Catholic Parish Part Time Position

The Parish of Mother of Perpetual Help is looking to appoint a Parish Administrator.

The role is to provide management, administrative, secretarial, financial and pastoral services to assist with the efficient running of the Parish. Key personal skills required include comfort with interpersonal contact, flexibility, self-management and excellent communication skill. Hours of employment are 22.5 across five days.

For an information pack covering the role or further details please email glendowiemp@xtra.co.nz or contact Dennis Lynch, Chair, Finance Committee, on 021 963 733.

Applications with CV should be made in writing at above email or in writing to Glendowie MPH Parish, 510 Riddell Road, Glendowie, Auckland 1071. Applications for this position close on **December 23, 2018**.

PARISH DIRECTORIES

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Parish Priest: Fr Felise Lemi

Acting Chairperson:

Paul Keestra

Acting Secretary:

Juliana Laga'aia

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Lami Burke

Members: Fr Felise, Paul Keestra,

Peter Sosefo, Vole Tafa,

Rajeli Wara, Penelope Maoe

Fundraising: Goretti Kalolo

Health & Safety –

Christina Tagaloa

Property – Pamela Sanalio

Security (Health & Safety) –

Marvy Okay

ST PIUS X CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Paul Coakley

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chairperson: Sonny Haiosi

V/Chairperson: Silia Vakauta

Bishop's Reps:

Fr Felise Lemi CSsR,

Ofa Taimani, Nimo Patelesio

Parent's Rep: Naite Naden,

Alysson Makatesa, Katera Pita

& Julianna Laga'aia.

Staff Rep: Debbie Williams

CHURCH SACRISTANS

Ponesi & Penelope Maoe

LITURGY:

Paul Keestra

ST VINCENT DE PAUL/CARE GROUP

Rajeli Wara

BAPTISM PROGRAMME

Palepa Seumanu (09) 5706956

Mobile: 021 084 97724

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

Maggie Laga'aia

ST JOSPEH'S THE WORKER

Rosie Thomas

TONGAN COMMUNITY:

Pita Sosefo & Epifanio Saili

SAMOAN COMMUNITY:

Vole T Taisau

PARISH YOUTH

Rick Kaufusi, Sepa Ekeroma, Marvy

Okay, Jorina Luatuanuu, Anita

Natoealofa, Deja Mahe, Latanoa

Sosefo, Sione Koula Sosefo

The time of Advent returns us to the horizon of hope, a hope that doesn't disappoint because it is founded on the Word of God. A hope that does not disappoint, simply because the Lord never disappoints! He is faithful!"

Pope Francis



Liturgical Roster for Sunday 16th December 2018 Year c

	<u>8.30am</u>	<u>10am</u>
INTRODUCERS	Penelope Maoe	Goretti Kalolo
READERS	Brian Walker Kakala Mafi jnr	Anita Natoealofa Tepora Natoealofa
COMMUNION MINISTERS	Robyn Poila Glen Thomas Maria Burke Lupe Atina Terei Mana	Penisimani Mahe Kakala Mafi Snr Jason Swann Peni Sa'ulilo Etuini Mafi
MUSICIANS	St Joseph's the Worker	Youth ☺
COLLECTORS	Ponesi Maoe	Etuini Mafi
PREPARATION OF THE CHURCH	SAMOAN LEGION OF MARY	

2018/2019 CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASS TIMES

Monday 24th December 2018 – Christmas Eve

Christmas vigil Mass - 7pm led by the Children's Liturgy

Carols @ 10.00pm

Midnight Mass – 11pm



Tuesday 25th December 2018 – Christmas Day

Only one Mass at 9am



Tuesday 1st January 2019 – New Years Day

Only one Mass at 9am

(Liturgical ministers please check roster on the noticeboard for when you serve or refer to the Parish Office ☺)

\$\$\$ FINANCE \$\$\$

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

FROM;
2nd December 2018

St Pius X Catholic Church,
Glen Innes, Auckland 1072

Loose

\$324.90

Envelopes

\$499.00

GRAND TOTAL

\$823.90

If you would like to make a donation, please fill out the forms at the back of the church or see the Parish Office @ office@gleninnescatholic.org.nz

Thank you for your generosity! "Whoever is generous to the poor, lends to the Lord; and He will repay him for his deed." Proverbs 19:17

COLUMBAN CALENDARS ARE NOW AVAILABLE. PLEASE SEE PARISH OFFICE (JULIANNA LAGA'AIA) IF YOU WISH TO PURCHASE ONE. VERY IDEAL FOR CHRISTMAS, SO BUY ONE WHILE STOCK LASTS ☺