

# St Pius X Catholic Church

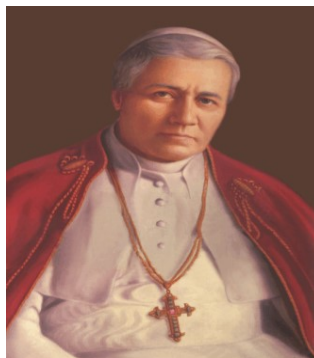
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St Pius X  
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& 3pm Mon-Fri during term  
time; or visit  
[www.saintpiusx.school.nz](http://www.saintpiusx.school.nz)

16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2018 C

## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THEME:

**“Someone is coming... and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals.”**

*Advent Greetings to you all and welcome to the celebration of the Eucharist! There is a feeling of expectancy in the air today, as we draw closer to our celebrations of the coming of Christ.*

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Zephaniah 3:14 – 18

A day of festival is coming and we have every reason to rejoice ☺

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 4:4 – 7

God's peace is ours and it makes us happy.

Gospel Reading: Luke 3:10 – 18

John's baptism is only the beginning. Jesus will bring everything to fulfilment.

If you are looking forward to Christmas, full of expectancy, then you have captured the mood of today. The church wants us to get everything into perspective: both our understanding of the unfolding story of God's saving presence in Jesus and the part we are called to play in that story. It did not finish with the writing of the Gospels and the letters of Paul. It continues to be written in your life and mine.

We do have every reason to be happy. We have a great feast to celebrate. So we can enjoy the party now and remember that we are all invited to a heavenly banquet too. the wonderful news is that, unlike the parties that follow award ceremonies, we're only a few are invited, we are all invited to that party.

There God wants us all to be success stories. When you rehearse your acceptance speech, its best to make sure it is a humble and grateful one.

*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](mailto:office@gleninnescatholic.org.nz)

Contact: Julianna Laga'aia

## WEEKLY READINGS YEAR C

### MONDAY 17/12/18

GENESIS 49:2, 8 – 10  
MATTHEW 1:1 – 17

### TUESDAY 18/12/18

JEREMIAH 23:5 – 8  
GOSPEL MATTHEW 1:18 – 24

### WEDNESDAY 19/12/18

JUDGES 13:2 – 7, 24 – 25  
GOSPEL LUKE 1:5 – 25

### THURSDAY 20/12/18

ISAIAH 7:10 – 14  
GOSPEL LUKE 1:26 – 38

### FRIDAY 21/12/18

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:8 – 14 OR  
ZEPHANIAH 3:14 – 18  
GOSPEL LUKE 1:39 – 45

### SATURDAY 22/12/18

1 SAMUEL 1:24 – 28  
GOSPEL LUKE 1:46 – 56



## COMMEMORATION OF THE DEAD

### Recently deceased

Fuiava Iaulualo Toetau Falefa

### Anniversaries of their deaths:

Olga Nole, Benjamin Mitchell,

Owen Malton, Florence Dunne, Jeanette Wildermoth

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: 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto: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.

As of date, the total grand amount raised from the Summer Food Fair 8/12/18 came to:

☺ **\$15504.40!!!** ☺

**Thank you every one for your faith and generosity. Very grateful to our communities, prayer groups, families and individual parishioners and our dear YOUTH for your sacrifices and contributions. Special thanks most of all to our hard working Parish Priest Father Felise Lemi who donated all the hampers for our raffles, all the meat packs and of course for putting in so much not only in monetary terms but also his time and effort apart from the support he draws from all his prayer groups around Auckland. Thank you Father. Your own family have never failed to support all of our fundraisings and for that we are very grateful. Last but not least thank you to all those who took part in making sure we enjoyed our festival! ☐**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

**St Pius X Parish Fundraising Committee ☺☺☺**

*[See noticeboard at the back of the church for full financial report of the Summer Food Fair 2018]*

### **RITE OF RECONCILIATION – FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2018**

On **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

### **ST PIUS X CHRISTMAS CONCERT WHAT DOES CHRISTMAS MEAN TO YOU?**



**GOLD COIN ENTRY FEE**

**DATE: 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2018**

**TIME: 6PM TIL 9PM**

**PLACE: 101 CASTLEDINE CRES**

### **YOUTH & CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

#### **Christmas Concert 2018 –**

Tonight, 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. You are all most welcome to come and celebrate with all our communities/groups and friends, this journey and spirit of Christmas in welcoming our Lord Jesus Christ ☺ Food will also be provided during the night ☺ See you there! ☺

**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 **Children's Liturgy practice all week from 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018 from 4pm – 5pm in the church**

### **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 [glendowiemph@xtra.co.nz](mailto:glendowiemph@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

**Advent encourages us to reflect on the contrast between our daily routine and the unexpected coming of the Lord. The Gospel, the Pope said, is not trying to frighten us, but “to open our horizons” to further dimensions, giving meaning even to everyday occurrences.**

**What seemingly small incident has opened your eyes to God's grace?**

### Liturgical Roster for Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2018 Year c

	<u>8.30am</u>	<u>10am</u>
<b>INTRODUCERS</b>	Rosilene Thomas	Christina Tagaloa
<b>READERS</b>	Maggie Laga'aia Lorraine Ekeroma	Mariah Mulipola Aiolupotea Mulipola
<b>COMMUNION MINISTERS</b>	Sr Johanna Mata Laga'aia Taliilagi Tufuga Ponesi Maoe Penese Poila	Katarina Chan Ping Sa Hicks Leotina Esekielu Lupe Sosefo Fonofili Fepuleai
<b>MUSICIANS</b>	Paul Keestra	Tongan Community
<b>COLLECTORS</b>	Peni Latu	Tongan Community
<b>PREPARATION OF THE CHURCH</b>	<b>ST JOSEPH'S THE WORKER</b>	

### 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

<u>FROM;</u> <u>9<sup>th</sup> December 2018</u>	<u>St Pius X Catholic Church,</u> <u>Glen Innes, Auckland 1072</u>
<u>Loose</u>	\$287.80
<u>Envelopes</u>	\$690.60
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$978.40</b>

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](mailto:office@gleninnescatholic.org.nz)

**Thank you for you 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 ☺