

St Pius X Catholic Church

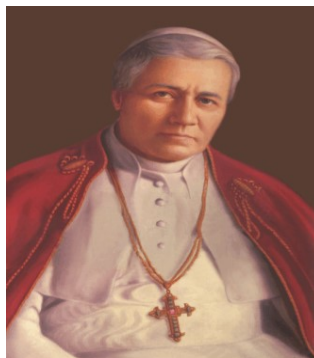
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GLEN INNES

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www.saintpiusx.school.nz

23RD DECEMBER 2018 C

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THEME:

***“Blessed is she who believed that the promise made by her
by the Lord would be fulfilled.”***

Advent greetings to you all and welcome to the celebration of the Eucharist. As the celebration draws near, we prepare for the coming of Christ by rejoicing with Our Lady and her cousin Elizabeth as they witness the fulfilment of God's promises to them.

1st Reading: Micah 5:1 – 4

The prophet Micah foretells how the one who is to rule over Israel will be born in Bethlehem.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:5 – 10

Christ comes into the world to obey the will of God.

Gospel Reading: Luke 1:39 – 45

It's not always easy for us to keep our promises and resolutions. Sometimes even the with best will in the world, we can fail to live out something that we signed up to. It is important not to transfer such human limitations on to God. In Jesus, God the Father made a resolution for the world, a promise that will never be broken. God in Christ has shown us what perfect faithfulness looks like. In the offering of His body, in the womb of Mary and on the cross, Christ has made us a holy people, once and for all. We may make mistakes; we may forget our resolutions and even break our promises; but God never does. We may struggle, but God is always FAITHFUL.

We can always trust in God's mercy and love. God is a God of new beginnings and invites us to renew our efforts at discipleship over and over again, calling us to believe in the power of the Holy Spirit. As we await the great celebration of Christ's birth in Bethlehem we simply thank God, with Mary and Elizabeth, for the promises made to them about Jesus, which are full of hope for each one of us.

Blessed Christmas to you all! Felise Lemi CSsR ☺

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 24/12/18

GENESIS 49:2, 8 – 10
MATTHEW 1:1 – 17

TUESDAY 25/12/18

CHRISTMAS DAY

WEDNESDAY 26/12/18

ST STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR
ACTS 6:8 – 10, 7:54 – 59
GOSPEL MATTHEW 10:17 – 22

THURSDAY 27/12/18

ST JOHN, APOSTLE, EVANGELISTS
1 JOHN 1:1 – 4
GOSPEL JOHN 20:2 – 8

FRIDAY 28/12/18

THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS
1 JOHN 1:5 – 2:2
GOSPEL MATTHEW 2:13 – 18

SATURDAY 29/12/18

1 JOHN 2:3 – 11
GOSPEL LUKE 2:22 – 35



COMMEMORATION OF THE DEAD

Recently deceased

Lora Kam (aunty of Rita Lee)

Anniversaries of their deaths:

Our families, friends, old parishioners whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who recently passed away

*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

Just before we say “sayonara” to 2018, I would like to take this opportunity to say THANK YOU, to EVERYONE for all the contributions and love you have all shown throughout the year, since my arrival to St Pius X Catholic Church, Glen

Innes. As it is always the case, it's never an easy road when it comes to accomplishing something; but your willingness to serve, from your heart, only God will bestow his blessings on you. I can only pray that you continue to instil your faith in serving God, for His glory and praise “With love and mercy, there is always fullness of REDEMPTION”. Congratulations on your endeavours and praying you and all your families may have a safe and blessed Christmas; and may the New Year bring peace and happiness.

Love and prayers to you all! © Fr Felise Lemi CSsR



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 ☺)

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



GOLD COIN ENTRY FEE

DATE: 16TH DECEMBER 2018
TIME: 6PM TIL 9PM
PLACE: 101 CASTLEDINE CRES

A very special thank you to everyone who supported and participated in the 1st ever Christmas concert ever to be held at St Pius X Parish, Glen Innes. To all community and prayer groups, Deja Mahe & the SMC String Quartet and all performances – well done on the effort in bringing and uplifting the spirit of Christmas. Special acknowledgement to Fr Felise Lemi and the Parish Youth and parents for organising this eventful occasion; and what a way to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ! ☺

We also extend a very special thank you for the monetary gifts from: **Fr Felise Lemi, Members of St John the Evangelist Parish Otara, Glen Innes Samoan Divine Mercy and the Tongan Lataki** and donations via Gold Coin entry from those who contributed ☺. All funds will assist with the work and programmes for the youth and children in our parish, in the future. Thank you for your love and support!

In the last week, the parish youth accompanied by Fr Felise Lemi, visited 20+ families/homes, singing Christmas Carols and sharing the spirit of Christmas. Photos and videos (vlogs) will be uploaded soon on the Facebook page "Saint Pius X Youth" of their visits. Well done Saint Pius X Youth, and all your work throughout this year! Looking forward to what the New Year will bring! ☺

THANK YOU FROM THE CATHOLIC CARING FOUNDATION

The Foundation would like to sincerely thank all parishioners for their prayers and support of Bishop Pat's Foundation, throughout 2018. Through your support, the Foundation was able to give grants to over 50 organisations who care and support families and communities in need throughout the diocese. We couldn't have done this without your support. Thank you.

We wish you and your loved ones a blessed and safe Christmas.

www.caringfoundation.org.nz

Thank you to our parish family and friends for all your efforts, contributions and the journey throughout 2018. Our parish activities and weekly liturgy would not be "productive" if it weren't for YOU ALL. For all the mistakes and hurt caused, forgive one another and **LET IT GO** ☺ and let's all look forward to welcoming Baby Jesus into our hearts; and 2019 with positivity ☺ Thank you once again! ☺

Have a blessed Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year ☺

Love & prayers from the staff of St Pius X Catholic Church, Glen Innes, Parish Office ☺



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 Maeo

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 Maeo

LITURGY:

Paul Keestra

ST VINCENT DE PAUL/CARE GROUP

Rajeli Wara

BAPTISM PROGRAMME

Palepa Seumanu (09) 5706956

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SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

Maggie Laga'aia

ST JOSPEH'S THE WORKER

Rosie Thomas

TONGAN COMMUNITY:

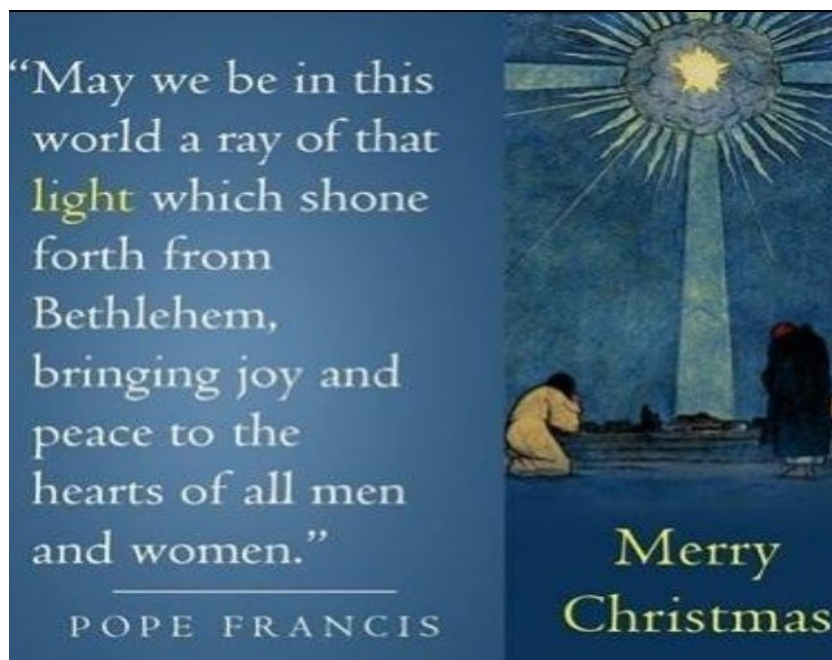
Pita Sosefo & Epifanio Saili

SAMOAN COMMUNITY:

Vole T Taisau

PARISH YOUTH

Rick Kaufusi, Sepa Ekeroma,
 Jorina Luatuanuu, Anita Natoealofa,
 Deja Mahe, Latanoa Sosefo,
 Sione Koula Sosefo



Liturgical Roster for Sunday 30th December 2018 Year c

	<u>8.30am</u>	<u>10am</u>
INTRODUCERS	Sr Anne Warren	Sonny Haiosi
READERS	Mei Vunivesilevu Seta Monolagi	Vole Tafa Taisau Niulagi Taisau
COMMUNION MINISTERS	Sr Jacqui Miles Ipu Laga'aia Snr Robyn Poila Glen Thomas Maria Burke	Sepulona Tai Leaniva Tai Ofa Sosefo Jorina Luatuanuu Alamani Saili
MUSICIANS	Paul Keestra	TBC
COLLECTORS	Ipu Laga'aia Snr	Sepulona Tai
PREPARATION OF THE CHURCH	YOUTH ☺	

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

<u>SUNDAY COLLECTIONS</u>	<u>St Pius X Catholic Church, Glen Innes, Auckland 1072</u>
FROM; 16th December 2018	
<u>Loose</u>	\$431.40
<u>Envelopes</u>	\$641.30
GRAND TOTAL	\$1072.70

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 ☺