

- ST PIUS X CATHOLIC PARISH, GLEN INNES NEWSLET 101 Castledine Crescent, Glen Innes Auckland NZ Parish Priest: Fr Felise Lemi CSsR flemicssr@gmail.com

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## "Renew all things in Jesus Christ"

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Mass Junes

Sunday Masses 8.30am & 10am

Tuesday	9am	
Wednesday	9am	
Thursday	9am	
Friday	9am	
Saturday	9am	
*Mass in Tongan language Monthly 2nd Saturdays 6pm		

\*Samoan Divine Mercy Mass today 12pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Saturday mornings at 8am Resume February 2024.

Confession, Reconciliation & Penance Saturdays after 9am Mass or by appointment with Fr Felise Lemi.

Growting of the Sick Muss First Saturday of the month at 9am Resume February 2024.

Children's Liturgy of the Word Sunday's at both Mases (8.30am and 10 am) Resume February 2024.

Sacramental Programme Mariah Mulipola & Arama Pou

<u> Altar Servers</u> <u>Hendrix Taisau</u>

#### PARISH OFFICE HOUR

The Parish office is closed until February 2024. For urgent enquiries please contact: spxcatholicparish1956@gmail.com. This is the last newsletter for 2023. Thank you for taking the time to read and share :) Happy Holidays and see you in February 2024. :)

#### 31ST DECEMBER 2023 - FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY YEAR B

The Holy Family of Mary, Jesus and Joseph

"The child grew and became strong . . ." This simple affirmation about the Child says something about the whole mystery of the Incarnation, about families, and about holiness. Mary and Joseph, no doubt, grew into their role as parents of Jesus, beginning with their fulfilling the requirements of Jewish religious law and we grow as a human family as we respond to the many different ways God calls us to holiness (wholeness).

The Holy Family is good model for Catholic and Christian families. While we do not observe all the Jewish rituals, we are invited to experience sexuality, birth, life, family-relations in the same spirit of sacredness - and to observe the traditions of our faith firstly within our human family, which is the first "church" we were called to belong to.

Simeon and Anna have some powerful words to say to Mary and Joseph about their child. For Mary some are becoming familiar. The angel Gabriel, the shepherds, the Magi had all indicated the something special about the birth and the life Jesus would live. Mary also heard for the first time that a suffering was going to be a part of her life as well. She took this all in and as she "pondered what it all meant" it matured in her heart and soul just as Jesus matured in Galilee.

We too receive powerful words and experience suffering in our lives - and as we "ponder what it all means" we grow and mature, because pondering is not the same as worrying; pondering leads to maturity - worrying leads to more worrying.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all. Felise Lemi.





# CHRIST-MAS weekday

## .+\_Daily\_Readings\_+

Monday 1st January 2024, Mary Mother of God, New Years Day Nm 6:22-27 / Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 / Gal 4:4-7 / Gospel Luke Lk 2:16-21

### Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church 1 JN 2:22-28 / PS 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD-4 / Gospel John Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday 3rd January 2024, 1 JN 2:29–3:6 / PS 98:1, 3CD-4, 5-6 / Gospel John Jn 1:29-34

### Thursday 4th January 2024,

Memorial of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious 1 Jn 3:7-10 / Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 / Gospel John Jn 1:35-42

#### Friday 5th January 2024,

Memorial of Saint John Neumann, Bishop 1 Jn 3:11-21 / PS 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 / Gospel John Jn 1:43-51

#### Saturday 6th January 2024, Christmas Weekday 1 Jn 5:5-13 / PS147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 / Gospel Mark Mk 1:7-11



+ Strengthening our Catholic communities for missionary discipleship +Building up the spirituality of our young people + Care for the poor



# Saint Joseph, head of the Holy Family, pray with us for our families



Joseph, teach me by your example to see the hand of God at work in the events and circumstances of my life.

Joseph, teacher of the Son of God, teach me, by your example, how to work with and for Our Lord in everything I do.

Joseph, glory of family life, obtain for all people, by your intercession, the happiness to be found in harmony and unity.





**Prayer for the Holy Land** Jesus, protect the innocent and vulnerable, comfort the suffering, and give courage and wisdom to leaders in the Holy Land. Amen.

## "Start Over"

When you've made your plans and they've gone awry When you've tried your best and there's no more try When you've failed yourself and you don't Know why, start over.

When you've told your friends what you plan to do When you've trusted them and they didn't come through And now you're all alone and it's up to you, start over.

When you've failed your kids and they're grown and gone When you've done your best but its turned out wrong And now your grandchildren have come along, start over.

When you've prayed to God so you'll know His will When you've prayed and prayed and you don't know still When you want to stop cause you've had your fill, start over.

when the year has been long and successes few when December comes and you're feeling blue God gives a January just for you, start over.

A HAPPY & BLESSED NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL!!!

#### 2024 NEW YEARS MASS TIME

	01/01/2024 MARY, MOTHER OF GOD / NEW YEARS DAY MASS 9AM	
INTRODUCERS	Huni Fifita	
MINISTERS OF THE WORD	Makerita Tagaloa Evan Chi Tar	
MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	Lupe Atina Kakala Mafi	
MUSICIANS	Paul Keestra	
USHERS/ COLLECTORS	All Ushers/Collectors volunteers required	
CHURCH PREPARATIONS	Samoan Divine Mercy Group (30/12/23)	

On behalf of Fr Felise Lemi CSsR our Parish Priest and Parish Council and Finance Committee, Thank you for all your contributions and effort this year. Although it has not been easy, but through your perseverance of your faith and commitment, anything is possible with God and we still manage to see the year through. We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and pray the New Year will unfold more blessings and prosperities for you and your families. For those of you who are travelling, may your journeys be safe. God bless you all!

### PARISH DIRECTORIES

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (reps.) Parish Priest: <u>Fr Felise Lemi</u> Chairperson: <u>Sonny Haiosi</u> V/Chairperson: <u>Huni Fifita</u> Exec.Rep: <u>Laurence Lee</u> Secretary: <u>Julianna Laga'aia</u>

Finance Com. Chairperson: Lami Burke

Admin (Volunteer): Goretti Kalolo

Health & Safety: <u>Christina Tagaloa</u> (DPC Eastern region rep)

School Principal: Andrew Mailei

Liturgy (Sacristans): Ponesi & Penelope Maoe

Tongan Community: <u>Peter Sosefo</u> (Liturgy leader) Samoan Community: <u>Vole Tafa Taisau</u>

Tongan Legion of Mary & Pioneer Group: Kakala Mafi

Samoan Legion of Mary: <u>Lupe Atina</u>

**Tongan Divine Mercy:** <u>Palutea Tafolo</u> Samoan Divine Mercy: Sepulona Tai

**Parish reps:** Rita Lee, Niulagi Taisau & Meaalofa Sione

Parish Youth/Children's Liturgy: Joey Mulipola, Teni Sosefo, Hendrix Taisau

Sunday 7th January 20	024 - THE EPIPHAI	NY OF THE LORD
	8.30am MASS	10.00am MASS
INTRODUCERS	Taliilagi Tufuga	Sonny Haiosi
MINISTERS OF THE WORD	Mata Laga'aia Armanielle Crummer	Mariah Mulipola Jorina Taumaoe
MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	Maeli Aualiitia Ponesi Maoe	Laurence Lee Iosefo Aitiope
MUSICIANS	Julianna Laga'aia	Children's Choir/Lil Angels
USHERS/COLLECTORS	Soane Latu	Paulo Tagaloa
CHURCH PREPARATIONS Saturday 6th January 2024	Tongan Legion of Mary	





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"Don't watch the clock; do what it does. Keep going."

Las	st Sunday's collection	24/12/2023
	Loose Cash	217.20

TOTAL	774.20
Envelopes	557.00
Loose Cash	217.20

#### (not including Aps and Special Collections)

Planned giving - bank account details: RC Bishop of Auckland Glen Innes Parish

#### A/c Number: 02-0108-0707745-000 (your name or pledge# as reference)

Application forms are available in the church foyer or see <u>Parish Office</u>.

Thank you for your patience and your kind generosity. God bless!

