




Second Week of Advent
1. Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11 2.2Peter 3:8-14 Mark 1:1-8
10th December 2023

	Saturday 5pm	Sunday 8:30am	Sunday 8:30am
Welcome/Intercessions 	Barbrianna Soo Choon	Evan Maratas	Rosalie Petelo
Ministers of the Word 	Jennifer Fyn Tevita Koloamatangi	Joy Treasurer Violet Aita	Normita Tolentino Arnel Mantes
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist 	Letisia Koloamatangi Anna Soo Choon Raquel Sanga Dennis Sanga Peter Foster	Atelina Hunt Tea Venu Shymalee Krone Celerina Robertson James Obeng	Bernadette Pausle Kumi Sei Kaloni Marietta Vaotuu Miriam Mantes Anna Cullen / Jane Castrillo Lucie / Nigel de Jesus Gerhard Witbooi
Altar Servers 	Georgina Lautua Ethan Clarito Nitya Roshin	Sheshan Krone Jeevani Krone Pojing Natoealafa	Pedan Peter Tulaga John Paul Feagaiga Adrianna Anthony

 Our Vinnie's Shop has expanded and is now able to accept donations of household furniture and appliances. If you can deliver to the shop at 275 Great South Road, Papakura, this would be greatly appreciated. Should you require a collection, you can phone 2965052, Monday to Friday 10:00am - 3:00pm and Saturday from 10.00am-1.00pm to arrange for a pickup time and date.



 **Information on the Synod** We are currently at the start of the 2021-2023 Synod For A Synodal Church . To find out more about this process including how to get involved head to the website <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/synod/> where you can read all about it and download information.



St Mary's Catholic Church

- A listening, praying, servant community
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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Liturgy of the Word (Year A)
1. Isaiah 63:16-17,64:1,3-8 2. 1Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13:33-37
3rd December 2023

Mass Times
Saturday: Vigil 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am 10:30am
Filipino Mass 1st Sunday 12:30pm
Baptisms 2nd Sunday 12noon
Samoa Mass 3rd Sunday 12:00pm

The Season of Advent

In recent years, New Zealand has placed significant emphasis on health and safety, a response catalysed by the seismic activity of earthquakes. This heightened focus on safety measures has prompted the government to advocate for the establishment of dedicated committees within companies and associations. Yet, the essence of preparedness transcends mere crisis management—it has become an integral facet of our daily lives. The ability to anticipate and prepare allows us to pre-empt or diminish the impact of unforeseen events, aligning with a deeply ingrained principle in our faith, particularly emphasized during the season of advent.

Advent serves as a reminder to prepare, not just for the celebration of Christ's first coming, but also for the anticipation of His second coming. This period encourages us to prioritize readiness, akin to our preparedness for disasters, urging us to remain watchful for the unforeseeable moment of the Lord's arrival. Pope Francis highlighted the concept of conversion in preparedness during the 2018 advent season, emphasizing the need to humbly acknowledge our faults and missteps. This introspective approach not only enables us to discern risks within our lives but also offers an opportunity for positive transformation, fortifying our spiritual well-being and mitigating potential harm.

RECONCILIATION 9 - 10am
 Saturdays

Weekday Mass:
Monday 9:00am Liturgy
Tuesday 9:00am
Wednesday 6:30pm
Thursday 9:30am
Friday 9:00am
First Fridays of month 10.00am
Saturdays 8:30am Liturgy

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament
 Fridays 9:30am - 12:00 noon
 (10am—12noon First Friday of month)
 Saturdays after 5pm Mass led by ALPHA

RETIREMENT VILLAGE MASS
19th December, Tuesday—10:30 am
at Summeret Karaka

Through this lens of preparedness, both in earthly safety and spiritual vigilance, we recognize the significance of being alert and responsive, seeking continuous improvement and adaptation. This proactive mindset equips us not only to address immediate challenges but also to cultivate resilience and foster personal growth in readiness for whatever lies ahead.

Rev. Fr. Nathaniel Brazil



2024 God's Word daily reflection
\$25 now
or \$27 after Christmas.
 Please call Monica at 2961139

Planned Giving
 Please join our Planned Giving Scheme and receive a 33% tax deduction for your donation.
 For further details please call Parish Office at 09 299 6056

Locals Supporting Locals **HARVEYS** REAL ESTATE EST. 1918

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We can help you get your home sold or rented!
Kelly, Darren and their family have been part of our parish and the school for over 20 years.
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St Mary's Catholic School: Ph 298 4450 Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School: Ph 296 9039 St Ignatius of Loyola Catholic College	Website: www.stmaryspapakura.school.nz Website: www.holytrinity.school.nz Website: www.ignatius.school.nz
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New to the Parish? Welcome to St. Mary's Catholic Church. Please visit our website at www.papakuracatholic.org.nz and register online or you are very welcome to visit us at the parish office. (Office hours 9am– 3pm, Mon–Fri) Thank you

Welcome to St Mary's Parish

Holy Rosary: 8:30, 5:30p.m. Monday to Friday
Stations of the Cross: 5pm Fridays. Michael 298 9295
The statue of Our Lady is available for families, add your name to the list in the foyer or ph Jean 296 5486
Legion of Mary: Tuesdays 6:15pm, hall committee room. Celerina 298 4080
Medjugorje prayer meetings: Mondays, @ 2/1 Clark Rd, Joseph 298 2297
Meditation Groups: Tuesdays 9.40am Fr Ryder Rm. (St Anne's Manurewa every Monday 5-6pm in the Chapel.)
Knitting group: each 2nd & 4th Tuesday: 1- 3 pm Ryder Rm. Jenny 297 7292
St Vincent de Paul Foodbank Office: Food parcels please phone for an appointment. Mob: 021 026 71430
St Vincent de Paul Shop: Mon—Fri 10:00-3:00pm Sat 10:00-1:00pm 275 Great South Rd, 296 5052
The Knights Of The Southern Cross—Richard Powell
Lay Camillian Family NZ Ministry to the sick—Dennis Sanga dtbsanga@gmail.com
St. Mary's Women's Group—Brigid 021 02345439 or Jackie 021 1796602
Parish Choir—Wednesday at 7pm

We pray for those who have died



Anthony Michael Charman, Mary Elizabeth Taylor, Joseph Subritzky, Tom Mulligan, Rose Violet Martinovich Ian Milliken, Teresita Carezo, Pauline Sorraghan, Fereita Sio, Frances Mary Cotter, Bruce Williams, Josephus Hendricus Loomans, Jenny Hill, Nonie Devoy, June Daly and Elizabeth Nau

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time including:

David Bruce Pullan, Catherine Schuller, Michelle Toxopeus, Trevor Norman Davis, Lesley Frances Peace, Ignatius Giborees, Winifred Pollard, John Joyce, Megan Jefferies, Angela Alcano Adsett, Charles Alfred Sims, Kevin James Ross, John Blinkhorn, Ann Simms, Florence Loomans, Ngaire Elizabeth Ross, Nora Gertrude Prince, Maria Johanna Hall, Harold Thomas Downs, Willebrordus (Kees) Borsboom, Lauvale Eneliko Lui Paulo, David Ian Paton, Teresa Hawkins, Josephine Mabel Eason, Emily Alicia Baardman, Daphne Josephine McEntee, John Bernard Costello, Anne Surgenor, Margaret Elsie Whitham, Eric Andrew Kozanic, Helen Rosemay Kidd, Anne Barron, Mary Benton, Vida Joan Hareb, Herman Joseph Kroef, Helen Martha O'Connor, Colleen Foster

We pray for those who are sick including:

Alipati Afoa, Elizabeth Schubert, Marna & Tony Starbuck, Pauline McDonald, Daphne Bankien, Christopher Bird, Helen Moverley, Margaret (Jean) Soo-Choon, Neil Stewart, Terry Brunton, Mele Tuila, Jack Kayes, Nada Barsh, David, Anne Wallbank, Filomena Lui, Brian O'Leary & Dennis Sewpershad

Church Events:

School Preference Forms: Please contact the Parish Office for an appointment time and give your contact details in case there may be changes. Many thanks for your co-operation.

Parish Baptisms:

Baptisms will be celebrated every **SECOND SUNDAY** of the month during 10.30am Mass. Please note that there will be a monthly group baptismal preparation course in the **RYDER ROOM** on the **last Thursday of the month** at **7.00pm**. **REGISTRATION** is required, please contact Parish Office at **09 299-6056**. **No paperwork - no baptism.**



For safety concerns, please note that **no parking is permitted outside the front entrance of our church on the Wellington Street side and make sure that you are legally parked on the surrounding street.** Many thanks for your co-operation.

PARISH SITE DEVELOPMENT

"Building A Vibrant Faith Community"



Online Donations:

Acc. 02-0108-0707147-004

REF: Build Fund

Include your pledge number or contact parish office for receipt. Please note that you can also make automatic pledge payments to the above Account Number. Your support is most appreciated!

Parish Building Project Fundraising Team Contact Details

Can you help make our dream for a better church a reality? Contact one of us to arrange a time to meet to discuss your options. There will be an option that will work for you. We can also explain how up to 33% of your donation can be claimed back from IRD.

Vince O'Loughlin - loch.ness@extra.co.nz
 09 291 9194 or 021 379 845

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL, PAKAKURA



54 Clark Road

We love being an active part of our parish community.
 Your children are our children. Your family is our family.
 Together We Learn, We Pray, We serve
 Me Whakakotahi, Kia Maarama, Kia Pono, Ki Te Karakia

ENROL NOW! PLACES ARE FILLING UP FAST!

Visits welcome. Contact our school office on **09 298 4450** or visit our new website. www.stmaryspapakura.school.nz

Follow us on Facebook too!



Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School

Learn Love Serve
 Ka Ako Ka Aroha Ka Manaaki

137 Airfield Road, Takanini

School website: www.holytrinity.school.nz

School email: office@holytrinity.school.nz

Contact us at 296 9039

Enquiries and school visits welcome

Phone school office (09) 296 9039

St Ignatius of Loyola Catholic College - enrolment 2025

We are delighted to announce that application for admission to Year 7 in 2025 is open. Please visit our school website www.ignatius.school.nz and go to the Admissions page to read details about the process and complete an online enrolment application. The deadline for all enrolment applications is 23rd February 2025. Please note that for all Preference applications, a valid preference certificate must be uploaded at the time of application. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us at enrolment@saintignatius.school.nz



COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR 2024

for \$15 each

Please visit or call Parish office for reservation.



St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank

Thank you for your generosity. Our current requirement are... Marmite, Peanut Butter, Tins Mackerels.

SMYFS
 St Mary's Youth Family

"With God we will grow together in faith, family and love, leaving no one behind"


When: Friday every fortnight 7-8:30pm
Where: Church Hall
Who: 10 years and up

TERM 4
 20 Oct. 3 & 17 Nov. 1 & 15 Dec.

Follow us on our socials:
Facebook: Smyfs Papakura
Instagram: smyfs_



Youth Co-ordinator: Tracey Luamanu
Contact: 021 084 04602
Email: stmarysyouthfamily@gmail.com



Junior Praesidium—Friday 5-6pm
Senior Praesidium—Tuesday 6:15pm

There will be a prayer for the sick integrated in the Liturgy of the Word every 1st Saturday of the month at 8:30am. If you want your sick family members or friends to be included in the prayers please send their names to Lay Camillian Family- Dennis Sanga at dtbsanga@gmail.com

The Rite of the Christian Initiation of Adults/Children

Timetable

December 3, 2023	-	Rite of Acceptance followed by Orientation and introduction of RCIA/ RCIC Team (2024)
January 21	-	Catechism session 1 - Celebration of the Word of God
January 28	-	Catechism session 2 - Minor Exorcism
February 4	-	Catechism session 3 - Blessings of the Catechumens
February 11	-	Catechism session 4 - Presentations
February 18	-	Rite of Election - St. Patrick Cathedral Time TBC
February 25	-	Catechism session 5 - Scrutinies
March 3	-	Catechism session 6 - Presentations
March 10	-	Catechism session 7 - Recitation of the Creed
March 17	-	Catechism session 8 - Ephphetha Rite
March 24	-	Rehearsal - Sacrament of Initiation - Choosing a Baptismal Name
March 30	-	Morning - Anointing with Oil of the Catechumens Easter Vigil - Rite of Initiation
April 21	-	Mystagogy session 1
May 19	-	Mystagogy session 2
June 23	-	Mystagogy session 3
July onwards	-	Individual ongoing formation
September 15	Enquiry Day for 2025	
October 13	Enquiry Day	
November 17	Final Enquiry Day	
December 1	Rite of Acceptance	

CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE

December 15-22	7:00pm—Christmas Novena (except 23rd December 5:00pm)
December 24	6:30pm—Christmas Carols 7:00pm—Family Mass 10:00pm—Christmas Carols 12:00am—Christmas Eve Mass
December 25	10:00am—Christmas Day Mass
December 31	9:00pm—New Year's Eve Mass
January 1, 2024	10:00am—New Year's Day Mass

Notices

3rd December, Sunday	8:30am Commissioning of Altar Servers
9th December, Saturday	10am Working Bee (Hall & church ground)
11th December, Monday	7pm Mass for Feast day of our Lady of Guadalupe. No Liturgy of the word on that day.
12th December, Tuesday	9am Liturgy of the word with communion
15th December, Friday	7pm Start of Novena Mass "Simbang Gabi" cuppa after the mass at hall. All are welcome.
23rd December, Saturday	6:00pm Parish Christmas Party—Bring a plate

St Ignatius of Loyola Catholic College is seeking applications for a **Teacher Aide position**.

At St Ignatius of Loyola Catholic College, a Teacher Aide will accompany ākonga in their learning journey, working in partnership with teachers to ensure everyone can achieve their potential.

Start Date: January 30th 2024

Teacher Aide:
 Full & Part time available
 \$25 - \$30 per hour depending on experience
 Term time only

Please send CV and letter of application to: office@ignatius.school.nz



St Mary's Hospitality Group is asking for donations of disposables cutleries, paper plates, cups and serviettes.

New to the Parish	Week 4th —9th Dec.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Welcome</i>	Psalm	Ps.122 p.135	Ps. 72 p.79	Ps. 23 p.32	Ps.118 p.128	Ps. 98 p.107	Ps. 147 A p.156
Please fill in the online form at www.papakura.org.nz or visit Parish Office	1 Reading	Isaiah 2:1-5	Isaiah 11:1-10	Isaiah 25:6-10	Isaiah 26:1-6	1. Genesis 3:9-15,20 2. Ephesians 1:3-6,11-12	Isaiah 30:19,21,23-26
	Gospel	Mathew 8:5-11	Luke 10:21-24	Mathew 15:29-37	Mathew 7:21,24-27	Luke 1:26-38	Matthew 9:35-10:1,6-8