



St Ignatius Catholic Parish

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Our vision: To be a Christian faith community that reflects God's love for everyone



St Ignatius Parish

Today's Readings:

First Reading:

Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18

Therefore we also shall serve God.

Psalm: 33:2-3, 16-23

Second Reading:

Ephesians 5:21-32

Live in love as Christ loved us!

Gospel:

John 6:60-69

The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life.



Introduction to the Gospel Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

The feeling of the crowd and the robust debate that follows provoke a crisis for some people. Many choose to leave Jesus. Peter by contrast is prompted to make a profession of faith. In the central verse Jesus declares that *'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer'*. This seems to flatly contradict what he has just said about the necessity of eating the flesh of the son of Man.

Lord,
to
whom
can we
go?
You
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life

It makes sense if the word 'flesh' has shifted meaning to referring to unredeemed humanity. It cannot be a denigration of our bodily being because the *'Word became flesh'*. What this in fact translates to for us is to take Jesus' words to heart and let them infuse our flesh-and-blood existence. We need to declare our faith in Jesus and commit ourselves to following him!

Ministers & Housekeeping

Sat, 1 September, 5.30pm

Greeter: Sophie Partington

Altar Server: Russell Kereru, Colin Davis

Commentator: Fiona Mahony

Readers: Glennis O'Connor, Sr Paula Mary

Bread Minister: Christine Jugum

Cup Ministers: Kate de Graaf, Anita Anderson

Collectors: Daniel Samy, Doug Osborne

Data Projector: Mary Gray

Sun, 2 September, 9.30am

Greeters: Ali Patton, Verity Dye

Altar Servers: Anastacia Campos, Emili Snowdon

Commentator: Sam Fowler

Readers: Gabrielle Findlay, Greg Pinches

Bread Ministers: Afu Vakatapu, Zelita Mahoney

Cup Ministers: Pip Block, Jenny Cussins

Data Projector: Kelly Fernandes

Collectors: Craig Fraser

Counters: Kaye & Andrew Batterton,

Morning Tea: Ania Snowdon, Paula Guy, Adrienne Grogan

Linen: Mary-Anne Quirke

Community Notices & Events

Spring Concert Coming Up!

A number of St Ignatius parishioners belong to the Stonefield's choir. They are having their annual concert on **Sat, 1 Sep, 7.30pm**, Dorothy Winstone Centre, Auckland Girl's Grammar School. Lots of fun and some beautiful songs. For further information and tickets, go to stonefieldschoir.org.nz or www.THECHOIR.co.nz

Family Life International

Talks on 'The Natural Law & the Family' by Father Linus Clovis, chaplain of Family Life International. On **4 Suns** commencing **5 Aug at 7.00pm** at the Holy Family Parish, Te Atatu. Further details on church notice board.

When The Sun Comes After Rain

Choral commemoration of WW1 with the Pakuranga Choral Society. Conducted by David Hamilton & Kerry Wood. Music by Anthony Young & David Hamilton. Tickets available at door **Today, Sun, 26 Aug 2.30pm**. East City Wesleyan Church.

Marriage Encounter

Revitalise and enrich intimacy, love and romance in your marriage at a Marriage Encounter Weekend, **5-7 Oct**, Mt Richmond Hotel Mt Wellington. Contact 0800 362 686 or Christine or David Sloan 372-3581 or email david.christinesloan@gmail.com

Mercy Spirituality Centre - 104 The Drive, Epsom

To register call 0-9-638 6238, email info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz or visit www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz

Retreat Day with Pip Nichols: Wisdom Needs No Scapegoat Sun, 9 Sep, 10am – 4pm. With Pip Nicholls. Cost \$60 per pers

Desire for CONNECTEDNESS With Laititia Puthenpadath. **Tues, 11 Sept, 10am-12noon.** How can we remain connected with ourselves, our family, our friends and society? Cost \$15 incl. Morning Tea.

Gathering in MERCY

Reflections on Mercy values that continue to be relevant today. Includes presentation by invited speaker, Afternoon Tea. **Sun 16 Sept, 1.30-3.30pm.** Donation/Koha.

Connection Series: A Biblical Panoramic World View – Weds, 17 & 24 Oct. With Fr Kevin Waldie SM. Cost \$15 per session.



Parish Earth Fair

We're currently planning a Parish Earth Fair after Sunday Mass in Sep/Oct to celebrate sustainable urban living.

The idea is to invite groups (community or companies) to set up educational displays focused on environmental sustainability.

Initial ideas are organic foods, home grown products, worm farms, Bokashi composting, plastic bag alternatives, eco products, any other conscious lifestyle choices.

If you're interested in being part of the planning committee for this exciting initiative contact Mike Jensen: mikejensen@hotmail.co.nz

This week's readings commencing 27 August

Monday:

2 Thess. 1:1-5, 11-12
Gospel: Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday:

2 Thess. 2:1-3, 14-17
Gospel: Matthew 23:23-26

Wednesday:

Jeremiah 1:17-19
Gospel: Mark 6:17-29

Thursday:

1 Corinthians 1:1-9
Gospel: Matthew 24:42-51

Friday:

1 Corinthians 1:17-25
Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Saturday:

1 Corinthians 1:26-31
Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30



Please pray for all the sick and elderly in our parish. If you would like anyone remembered in the Mass, or know of anyone who is unwell, please contact Pastoral Associate, Maggy Hamilton

August Anniversaries:

Sheila Lowe, Pat Moir, Rob Phillips, Olive Pope, Phil Batterton

Positions Available

St Mary's College, Campus Minister, Years 7 - 13

A 3-4 days per week role, term time only, commencing September 2018.

The purpose of the role is to enhance and promote our Special Catholic Character, providing and supporting activities, working closely with our DRS and RE teachers.

Please apply on the website www.stmaryak.school.nz or send a CV and Cover Letter to principal@stmaryak.school.nz

Mercy Parklands, Pastoral Care Team Member

You will be responsible for providing spiritual and pastoral care to our residents and their whanau and to our staff through one-to-one visits, liturgical and non-liturgical prayer, creation of rituals and ceremonies for special occasions, occasional group work in response to a particular need.

A permanent, 16 hrs per week role. Applications close Fri, 7 September 2018. For further information contact **Sarah Smith** Pastoral Care Coordinator, Email pastor@mercyarklands.co.nz, Phone: (09) 579 7241 ext 811

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NZ Catholic

The NZ Catholic is now available at for \$4. You can find it at the back of the church. Please leave your money in the container.

Wine & Cheese

1st Sat of month, after 5.30pm Mass
Everyone is very welcome!

Family Mass & Sausage Sizzle – Today, Sun, 26 Aug

This is hosted by our young people with music by our Youth Music Group. Please join us after Mass at our sausage sizzle!

New Parishioners

Please sign the New Parishioner Book, fill in a Parish Enrolment form and put in the wooden box in the church foyer. A Parishioner will call you who can answer any questions you may have about the Parish.

Are You Seeking A Good Care Giver?

A care giver who has looked after a parishioner for many, many months is now available for hire. If you are wanting a good care giver, please phone Pat Hickey 0-9- 575 5296

St Ignatius Primary School Enrolments

Children turning five in 2019 who will be starting as new entrants at St Ignatius Primary should have their enrolment application forms completed and received at the school office by **Fri, 31 August 2018**. This is the cutoff date for 2019 applications. Enrolment applications for all other year levels can be made at any time.

Weekly Masses

Mon 8.30am
Tue 8.30am
Wed 8.30am
Thu 9am (School Mass)
Fri 8.30am
Sat 5.30pm vigil
Sun 9.30am

Reconciliation By Appointment

Devotions

Adoration:

Orakei 5pm-5.30pm
weekdays

Glen Innes 8am Weds

Rosary:

Orakei 5.30pm-6pm
weekdays

Exposition:

Glendowie 9.30am-6.45pm Thu

Parish Groups

Youth Music Group

6.45pm Weds - Parish Centre.
If you're bored with traditional music lessons but enjoy playing your own kind of music with others your age, come and join this lively, fun and social group!
Call Ruth 021 880 424.

Prayer Chain

If you would like prayer support for any reason email glen.bob01@gmail.com to be added to the prayer chain.

Christian Meditation

Call Jane 09-361 4657. All welcome.

Playgroup

Tues 9am – 11am in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

St Ignatius Social Club

4th Fri of the month. An opportunity for teenagers to get-together for events, entertainment, outings & general good times! Join the group: www.facebook.com/groups/stignatiussocialclub

Tween Scene

Meeting regularly. Keep an eye on the Parish Newsletter for upcoming Tween Scene get-togethers, or email Melinda melindapdewit@gmail.com to join the mailing list.

Ignatian Circle

For people in their wisdom years (65+). No meeting during Aug. Join us for a great time next month on *Fri, 28 Sep!*