

The joy of living simply

Most of us can only admire those who reach the top of their profession. We realise what commitment is required to be an Olympic athlete, or to be a virtuoso musician: the hours of practice and training which culminate in winning trophies or playing in the great concert halls of the world.

Today, we are reminded that God's chosen ones are called to make that kind of unconditional commitment to the cause. The prophet Amos is an interesting character. We hear enough of his story to know that it had not been an easy ride. One minute he was minding his own business and faithfully carrying out his duties as a shepherd and the next minute he realised that he was being called to challenge his people over their unfaithfulness to God. Clearly, he was a man filled with passion for justice and he proclaimed his message without fear or favour. Consequently, he incurred the wrath of Amaziah, the priest, who told him to go away, but Amos had the strength of character to do his job in the face of all the attempts to discredit him.

Like the prophets of old, Jesus prepared his disciples for the possibility of rejection before sending them out on their first mission. His instructions were precise and demanding. They were not to carry any unnecessary baggage. They were to rely on the hospitality of the people and if that was not forthcoming, they were to demonstrate their displeasure and move on. In fact, we are told that the mission was a success, with many people being cured and devils cast out. So, how are we to interpret this message in our own time and place? St Paul is at pains to let us know that we are adopted children of the Father, stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit, chosen to live in freedom. It is a freedom which should enable us to take up our missionary role in the Church, but it is a freedom which can so easily be threatened in our sophisticated and technological world.

In every generation the Lord's disciples are challenged to ensure that their lives are not cluttered with unnecessary baggage. But how do we live simply when we are constantly bombarded with the advertising that suggests that our lives will not be worth living without all the latest gadgets and inventions? I would suggest that Pope Francis has shown us a wonderful way of living simply amidst all the splendour of the Vatican and he is not afraid to use modern means of communication. He has focused our attention on the joy of the gospel message and perhaps therein lies the secret. So, if we find ourselves weighed down, it may be time to free ourselves up again.

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Masses:

Saturday Vigil:

5.30pm

Sunday: 8.00am &
10.00am

Monday-Saturday:
9.00am

Anointing Mass:

First Friday of each
month at 9am Mass

Prayer of the Church:

Saturday: 8.45am &
Novena at 9am Mass

Reconciliation:

Saturday: After 9am
Mass & 4pm after-
noon

Rosary Group:

Each Friday: 3:30pm
in Parish Centre

Exposition:

Every Thursday
9.30am - 6.45pm
with Benediction at
6.45pm



MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH

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15th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Saturday 10 & Sunday 11 July 2021



**Our Parish AGM is going to be on Sunday 8 August,
after the 10am mass.**

All parishioners are invited to come. As you all know,
we have to make decisions about how our Parish will
function when we are sharing a Parish

Priest with St. Ignatius Parish.

Fr. John Dunn encourages each person
who is interested in what will happen and
how the Parishes will work together,

so please attend this very important AGM.





CARING SUNDAY - 25 July

This collection goes to the Catholic Caring Foundation which is the Bishop's charity to assist vulnerable children, at risk youth, older people living in isolation, victims of domestic

violence, refugees, homeless and all living in extreme hardship. As you know, we did not circulate the envelopes for the special collections this year. The envelopes for Caring Sunday are at the entrance to the church. If you have a donor number, please put it on the envelope so that your donation can be included in your tax receipt at the end of the financial year.

CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH - JULY 16TH

Our Parish is running a preparation for Consecration to St. Joseph, with a consecration date of August 17. To consecrate yourself means to make a formal act of entrusting yourself to your spiritual father, St. Joseph, so that he can take care of your spiritual well-being and lead you to God. The preparation begins on July 16th, using the book *Consecration to St. Joseph*, by Fr. Donald Calloway. Each person does the daily readings in their own time, and will meet weekly with the group in the parish center. If you are interested in participating, please contact Sekai (kwangwas@yahoo.co.uk) or Odelia (steveodelia@gmail.com).

Holy Rosary Series – A 6 session series to learn about the history, the prayers & the mysteries of the Rosary, with hands-on teaching to make your own Rosary – Sunday 2pm – 4pm (\$15 pp per session includes all rosary making materials & noon tea) Sun 18 July | Sun 8 Aug | Sun 12 Sep | Sun 3 Oct | Sun 14 Nov | Sun 12 Dec. Come to one, some or all. Contact rosaryworkshopnz@gmail.com to register or for more info.

NZ's Coast to Coast Rosary

Fasting & Prayer are very powerful. Go to 23daysoffasting.com for more info.

Intention - week 1

'Ask God to enlighten our hearts & our minds – how have we offended Him?'

Thursday-Friday-Saturday

Intention - week 2

'Pray for peace and unity in our family & throughout the whole world'

Thursday -Friday -Saturday

Intention - week three

'For God's light to overcome the darkness – please pray that Pope Francis will Consecrate Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary'

Thursday-Friday-Saturday



St Ignatius Catholic Primary School - Years 0-6 Enrolments 2022

Enrolment applications for places at St Ignatius Catholic Primary School for 2022 close on 31 August and will be processed in accordance with our Enrolment Scheme. Parents will be notified soon after 31 August. Please complete an enrolment application form together with the Preference Certificate and other supporting information and deliver or email it to the school office not later than 31 August 2021. If you have a baby or preschooler it is helpful if applications for places beyond 2022 are in the system. It's never too early to apply. For enrolment application forms please download from our website www.stignatius.school.nz or collect from 72 Speight Rd, St Heliers. For further information please email office@stignatius.school.nz or phone 5757081

We remember in prayer our parishioners whose anniversaries occur during July:

Lindsay Winter, Philip Finlay, Brian Copas, Emily Trembath, Maria Landsbergen, Phil Vernon, Fr Charles Rohan CSsR, Ron Copas, Barbara Worthington, Reginald Facer

Next Week: 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time 17 & 18 July

1. Jeremiah 23:1-6 2. Ephesians 2:13-18 3. Gospel Mark 6:30-34

ROSTERS	5.30pm	8.00am	10.00am
Welcomer	Judith Everitt	Helen Wright	Lina Kaukau
Greeters	Paul Liu David Manickum	Liz Pascal Mary Thornton	Maree Rogers Sophia Rogers
Musicians			Samoan Community
PowerPoint	Louise Morton	Fiona Wilson	Samoan Community
Children's Liturgy	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS		
Prayers of the Faithful	Lucy Niewiadomski		
Ministers of Communion	Valerie Yeong Frank Blewman	Gerard Murphy Janine Rayen	Ann Simich Sekai Kwangwa
Readers	Tina Evangelista John Evangelista	Bernie Culpan Karl Schweder	Raphael Leafa Kaukau Mathew Bland
Cleaners	Odelia & Steve D'Souza	Altar Linen: Sue Rivalland	
Grace Joel	10.30am Heather & Gerard Hart		