

Prayers For Peace and Hope



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The combined churches of

St Heliers

Glendowie

Glen Innes

Welcome you to a prayer
service for families

Sunday 14 November 2021

at

Mother of Perpetual Help
Church Glendowie

4.00 pm
or by ZOOM

Guest Speaker Ana Atkinson

Programmes and Administration Manager (Eastern Refuge
Society)



Donations and collection <https://www.easterrefugesociety.org.nz/help-for-domestic-violence/>

“Kia Hora Te Marino” – May The Calm Be Widespread



MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH

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31st SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
Saturday 30 & Sunday 31 October 2021



**TO BE SAINTS IS NOT A
PRIVILEGE FOR THE FEW, BUT
A VOCATION FOR EVERYONE.**

—POPE FRANCIS



All Saints Day - November 1

All Souls Day—November 2

Remembering All
Saints & All Souls Day



All Souls Online Mass from the Cathedral - Live on the St Patrick's Cathedral
Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/stpatricksnz/>

7.30 pm, Tuesday 2 November

Join Fr Chris, Fr Tony & Fr James for Mass as we pray especially
for those who have died over the past 2 years.

If you would like a loved ones name to be included in a
memorial book that will be placed on the altar during the Mass
please email info@stpatricks.org.nz



Dear Parishioners,

I do hope that you continue to do ok, and that home and work (and now school for some) are manageable. Lots of encouragement to those now preparing for exams! School for the rest of us seems to be a couple more weeks away — *hang in there!*

In terms of Covid, things are changing quickly. We contemplate the task of getting our country to 90% fully vaccinated and back to work and 'normal life' — if there will be such a thing.

'Normal' means the virus will be free to roam, and we pray it will not be too destructive of health and lives. Those in certain prescribed occupations, such as health workers and teachers, must now be fully vaccinated. And we contemplate life where the 'vaccination certificate' is the prerequisite for entry into many places and gatherings.

Where does all this leave us as a Church and our two Parishes in particular? Our national Bishops' Conference meets in the second week of November, and I doubt that we will have any definitive guidelines until after that. However, there are some key points we will have to think about and deal with.

The first is the safety of our parishioners who come to Church. We are a large gathering of people, and indoors is the place where the virus spreads. All our parishioners, and particularly the vulnerable, must be assured that the Church is a safe place to enter and pray.

It may be that we will need our 'vaccination passport' to enter; we will have to wait and see. Whether that be the case or not, I insist that all ministers in the Church buildings, from the foyer to the altar, be fully vaccinated.

Yet there is a tension. Jesus turned no-one away, and I hate to do so. Yet the common good, the health of all our loved ones, makes this the Gospel choice.

We will see what we can do for those who, for whatever reason, are not vaccinated. With Bishop Pat, I encourage you all to get vaccinated!

As for myself, I concelebrated on Tuesday the funeral of Fr Nick Alleman. It was a strange feeling to have all ten of us – two bishops and priests – wearing masks throughout the Mass, with people removing their masks only for speaking and for Holy Communion. Yet that is going to be the real for a while when we return. I also partook of a Zoom Conference with 73 priests of our Diocese, in regard to the restructuring of Parishes in the next two to three years.

The key theme was mission — we must take advantage of this opportunity to restructure, not our buildings, but our communities, to have a focus on mission. We are already on the road, as we have been joined as one priest, two Parishes, with more changes to come. It was interesting, challenging, and it seemed right. *Come Holy Spirit!*

This Sunday marks the 31st out of 34 Sundays of the year, climaxing with the **Feast of Christ the King** on **21st November**. Then we are into Advent!! And Christmas is just over 8 weeks away! Sadly, we cannot keep Monday's great **Feast of All Saints** or the next day, which is the **Feast of All Souls**. Please join me in praying for those whom we have farewelled in this past year, and for those who mourn their passing. Say a special prayer for **Fr Denis Whelan!**

St Ignatius:

Paul Callaghan, Noel Smith, Chris Francis, Gretta McDermott, Quentin Macmillan, Jean McHugh, Barbara Harris, John Foote, Michael Corbett, Margot Barnard, Ante Drageceвич, Sister Rose (Dawn) Marsh RGS (Good Shepherd Sister).

Mother of Perpetual Help:

Marion James, Angus McDonald, Carmel Henderson, Anton Botica, Colleen Larsen, Gabrielle Ellerm, Fr Denis Whelan CssR, Terrance Alcock, Paula Willmering, Marie Hollies, Bob Mason, Warwick Bain.

I am informed that a former parishioner, Josie McCarthy died on 23 October. May these and all our loved ones and all the dead of our two Parishes rest in peace.

Our Sunday Mass readings can be found at
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/103121.cfm>

My homily can be found at
https://share.icloud.com/photos/0Y_YR1ybsH-aZWXFohhbVoDNQ

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