



**Eastern Bays
Catholic**

29 & 30 July 2023
17th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Mother of Perpetual Help & St Ignatius Parishes

Gospel Matthew 13:44-52

*“Anyone who finds a treasure in a field, sells all
and buys that field.”*

*The Kingdom of Heaven is like treasure hidden in a field.
Also, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant in search of
fine pearls. Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a net
thrown into the sea, which collects fish of every kind.*

The Kingdom of Heaven is likened to a net that gathers all people at the end of the age and separates them, the good from the bad. In the end, for those who enter the glories of Heaven, there will be unending joy. And this fact must be understood so as to draw us into those riches of grace. Anticipation of such a gift should motivate us to diligently seek out the many graces our Lord wishes to bestow upon us. But sometimes we need a bit more of a nudge. We can easily become complacent in our life of faith and our search for God’s will. For that reason, Jesus includes the third parable, outlining the consequences some will endure at the end of time. Though it might not be a happy thought, it is a holy thought because it reveals God’s definitive justice and judgment at the end of time.

Reflect, today, upon the glory, beauty, and splendour of God. Allow this prayerful meditation to inspire you to make obtaining the Kingdom of Heaven your sole mission in life.

My just Judge, You see all things and know all things. You know my heart through and through. Please cleanse me of every sin and all complacency in life. Fill me with a holy zeal for Your Kingdom. May the joy of the discovery of You fully motivate me to remain diligent in my journey to Heaven. Jesus, I trust in You.



Weekday Masses –

Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion

Fr John will be away on holiday for the next two weeks from Mon 24 July until Fri 4 Aug inclusive. During this time the 8.30am weekday Mass at St Ignatius will be replaced with a **Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion**. Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses will continue as normal. The Anointing of the Sick Mass on Friday Aug 4 is also cancelled.

Prayer Chain

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

Wine Tasting Evening

On Friday 18/08, John & Rosie Crawfords' family group will be hosting a wine tasting evening in the Parish Centre from 6 to 8 p.m. There will be a variety of NZ & international wines as well as craft beers to sample, (courtesy of Constellation Wines), along with some delicious canapes.

The cost is \$30 per head and RSVP to mike.hearn@xtra.co.nz no later than 12/08. Please make payment to (02-0200-0278269-000).

All welcome.

Missing Umbrella

If you borrowed a white golf umbrella from the St Ignatius Church foyer, could you please return it to the Church foyer.

Prayer & Rosary MPH Group

Join us for Prayer & Rosary on Friday afternoons at

**Mother of Perpetual
Help Parish Centre at
3.30pm**

All welcome!

Morning Tea at MPH Parish

We will be having Morning Tea after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 30th July.

This is an opportunity to thank & farewell Fr Daniel who has celebrated Sunday Mass at MPH during June & July. Everyone is most welcome!

St Ignatius Catholic School Enrolments

We are in the process of confirming enrolments for 2024. Should you wish to enrol your child for 2024 please complete the enrolment application and send it to us by 31 August. Placements will be confirmed and communicated in early September. For more information contact our office on

09-5757081 or go to www.stignatius.school.nz



**ST IGNATIUS
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

Upcoming Events - Next Month – August

<p>Tuesday 1 & 8 Aug Saturday 12 Aug</p>	<p align="center">Healing of the Family Tree WITH Fr Rory and ACCPGN Preparation on zoom 7.30-9pm on Tuesdays 1 & 8 August, followed by Mass on Saturday 12 August at Sacred Heart Church, Ponsonby at 10am. Registration compulsory at: https://forms.gle/WHQTdt3mvf2egRuUA https://catholiccharismatic.org.nz/</p>	
<p>Tuesday 1 Aug</p>	<p align="center">CARING MASS</p> <p>Please join Bishop Steve and the Foundation team for the Caring Mass on the 1st August at 11.30am. Mass will be celebrated at Christ the King Church, 260 Richardson Rd, Owairaka. All are warmly welcome!</p>	
<p>Sunday 6 Aug</p>	<p align="center">Ministry of the Word Training At St Ignatius after 9am Mass. For all registered and interested volunteers.</p>	
<p>Sunday 6 Aug</p>	<p align="center">World Youth Day Auckland</p> <p>Young people aged 13-30yrs old (and their youth leaders) are invited to join us at Sancta Maria College at 2pm, for this unforgettable celebration of our Catholic Faith. Free dinner included. Go to facebook.com/AKCYM to register.</p>	
<p>Saturday 26 August</p>	<p align="center">Young Adults Ball 7pm at McHugh's of Cheltenham</p> <p>Back by popular demand, we are excited to bring you The Young Adults Ball 2023! The theme for this year is 'Starry Night'. Here's your chance to put on your best formal attire for an unforgettable evening at McHughs of Cheltenham. Get ready to dance the night away with our live band, The Velvet Tones. Cocktail-style canapes will be served throughout the night and your favourite drinks will be available at the bar (with one free drink included in your ticket!). Remember this magical evening by stopping by the photo wall where we will have a photographer ready to take some amazing shots of you and your group! Tickets \$110 (Sales close midnight 17th August). *This is an 18+ event. Go to facebook.com/AKCYM for tickets.</p>	

Mass Times

Weekday Mass

St Ignatius at 8:30am

Saturday Vigil Mass

St Ignatius at 5:15pm

Sunday Masses

St Ignatius at 9:00am
MPH at 10:30am

Anointing Mass

1st Friday of each month
at St Ignatius at 8:30am



MPH August Mass Time

An announcement will be made early next week regarding who will be our next Priest. Mass will continue to be celebrated at our current 10:30 am Mass time.

Exposition

Following 8.30am Mass
at St Ignatius, Adoration
will be at MPH with
Benediction at 6.45pm

Parishioner Registration

If you are a
parishioner at MPH or
St Ignatius, please go to
our website to
register



www.easternbayscatholic.org.nz

Safeguarding

The safeguarding of
children and adults is an
integral part of the life
and ministry of the
Church and flows from
the gospel.

For concerns or
complaints involving
someone within the
Catholic Church call

0800 114 622

Pastoral Care

Pastoral care and
assistance are available
for you and your family in
times of need.

You can contact either,

**Deacon Mark on
021-482-555 (MPH)**

St Ignatius Office

Baptism & Sacramental Programme

If your children are in year 4 or
you are interested in joining the
Catholic Church, please contact

Gina.

**sacraments@
easternbayscatholic.org.nz**

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Parish Priest: Fr John Dunn

Office Hours Mon & Tues 9am – 2pm

Wed to Fri 9am – 11am

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Mother of Perpetual Help Parish

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Parish Administrator: Fr Austin Fernandes

Office Hours Mon & Wed 1:30 – 5:30pm

Thurs to Fri 9am – 12pm

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