

Mass Times	Parishioner Registration	
Weekday Mass St Ignatius at 8:30am	If you are a parishioner at MPH or St Ignatius, please go to our website (below) or use the QR code to the left to register. www.easternbayscatholic.org.nz	
Sat Vigil Mass St Ignatius at 5:15pm		
Sunday Masses St Ignatius at 9:00am MPH at 10:30am	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	
Anointing Mass 1 st Friday of each month at St Ignatius at 8:30am		
Exposition at MPH Following 8.30am Mass at St Ignatius, Adoration will be at MPH with Benediction at 6.45pm	Mother of Perpetual Help Baptism If you wish to have your child baptized at Mother of Perpetual Help Parish, please contact Maureen at the office. admin@glendowiecatholic.org.nz	
St Ignatius Tongan Mass 5 th Sunday of each Month @3pm	Pastoral Care & Assistance Are available for you and your family in times of need. You can contact either, Deacon Mark on 021-482-555 (MPH) Office or Maggy 021 562 449 (St Ignatius)	
St Ignatius Baptism & Sacramental Programme If you children are in year 4 or you are interested in joining the Catholic Church, please contact Gina - sacraments@easternbayscatholic.org.nz		
Email Address: office@easternbayscatholic.org.nz		
Mother of Perpetual Help Parish 510 Riddell Rd, Glendowie Ph: 09 - 575 9296 Parish Admin: Fr Austin Fernandes Deacon Mark Rivalland Office Hours: Mon & Wed 1.30pm—5.30pm Thurs & Friday 9am—12pm	St Ignatius Parish 12 Kotiri Street, St Heliers Phone: 09 - 575 5227 Parish Priest: Fr John Dunn Office Hours: Mon & Tues 9am—2pm Thurs & Friday 9am—11pm	



*Gospel Matthew
25.1-13*

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 2023

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“Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.” [Matthew 25:13](#) What if you were told by Jesus that tomorrow is that day. Are you ready? Once you pass from this life there is only one thing that will matter. What will Jesus say to you? Just prior to this quoted Scripture above, Jesus tells the Parable of the Ten Virgins. Some were wise and had oil for their lamps. When the groom came late in the night, they were ready with lamps lit to meet him and he welcomed them. The foolish ones were not prepared and did not have oil for their lamps. When the groom came, they missed him and heard the words, “Amen, I say to you, I do not know you”. The oil in their lamps, or the lack thereof, is a symbol of charity. If we are to be prepared to meet the Lord at any time, on any day, we must have charity in our lives. Charity is much more than a passion or emotion of love. Charity is a radical commitment to love others with the heart of Christ. Reflect, today, upon those in your life whom God wants you to love. Whatever comes to mind in regard to your lack of this gift, pay attention to this and beg the Lord for His grace so that you, too, will be one who is wise and ready to meet the Lord at any time.

Lord, I pray for the supernatural gift of charity in my life. Please fill me with love for others and help me to be abundantly generous in this love. May I hold nothing back and, in so doing, be fully prepared to meet You whenever You call me home. Jesus, I trust in You.



St Ignatius School Parish Mass

On Sunday 12th November the St Ignatius Catholic School Years 3 & 4 children will be joining the 9am Mass at St Ignatius Parish. We look forward to having them and their families with us.

DONATE A CHRISTMAS FOOD HAMPER

Please consider donating \$100 or donating towards the cost of a hamper.

The Christmas season is fast approaching, and we have begun planning for our annual Christmas Hamper project. Your generosity will help provide 300+ hampers to Te Waipuna/Sisters of Mercy, Glenbrae Primary School and many other local families in need. Every dollar donated is spent on food, there are no admin costs. Donations can be made to: St Heliers Glenbrae 02-0108-0707227-003 Code: Hampers. Reference: Your Name or Planned Giving Number. Tax receipts can be requested from andrea.wright.nz@gmail.com

Christmas Grocery Hampers – Please donate wrapping paper!

We have 300 hamper boxes to wrap, and we will use almost 200m of Christmas wrapping paper. Please consider buying a few rolls of Christmas wrapping paper and popping them in the box at the back of St Ignatius church ASAP! Thanks!

Christmas Grocery Hampers – Save the date – Sunday 3 December

Please join the fun and energy as we come together as a community to pack and distribute Christmas Grocery Hampers. Hampers will be packed after mass on Sunday 3 December. Please contact Andrea Wright (andrea.wright.nz@gmail.com) if you wish to volunteer for a specific team. Teams include - box collecting, wrapping paper cutting, box wrapping, delivery driving, and recycling.

UPCOMING EVENTS – November

**Saturday
18th November**

RUTH MILLER SCHOLARSHIP for STUDY at TE KUPENGA CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE Bishop Stephen Lowe, the Catholic Bishop of Auckland, is pleased to call for applications for the Ruth Miller Scholarship for study at Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College. This scholarship will be available for a selected number of people who intend to do one or more theology papers at Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College towards a Bachelor of Theology degree in 2024. For further information about this scholarship and to receive an application form, please email: scholarships@cda.org.nz
The closing date for applications is 18 November 2023

**Wednesday
22nd November**

You are invited to CWL's Christmas Event on Wednesday, 22nd Nov starting with Mass at 10.30am at St. Joseph's Church, Orakei; then to the Hall for Morning Tea followed by a **talk by Father Patrick Brady - "Companions of Christ at Christmas,"** Christmas Carols, Christmas Fun, Good Food, Sweet Christmas Treats, Crackers, Hats and more. Cost: \$35 includes Raffle & Charity for **St. Vincent De Paul (Foodbank.)** For more details and confirmation, how to pay, ring Tina Raines on 021 940 950/09-5212499 or email: tinairaines2703@gmail.com.

November 2023

Marriage & Family - Are you are getting married? Please book your Diocesan Marriage Preparation course here: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/our-courses/> Please book 1 year (if getting married in NZ) or 18months (if getting married overseas) in advance of your wedding date. The 3-part course takes about 32 hours to complete and is usually spread over 3 months. For more information email: marriageandfamily@cda.org.nz or call Gerry on **M:021 02247442**.

NZ Catholic Newspaper

For sale at
MPH Parish foyer \$12



MPH PARISH Next Week's Roster

**Sunday 10.30am Mass
November 19**

Greeter: Mary Thornton
Readers: Angela Shields & Francis Hall
Euch. Minister: Heather Hart
PowerPoint: Samoan Community
Musician: Samoan Community
POTF: Lucy Niewiadomski
Grace Joel: David Manickum & Maria Kneebone
Altar Linen: Karen Rassie
Church Cleaners: Harriet & John Howard

ST IGNATIUS Next Week's Roster

**Saturday Vigil 5.15pm Mass
November 18**

Greeter: Lauren Rowley & Andrew Batterton
Altar Server: Isabella Howley-Rouse
Commentator: William Rowley
Data Projector: Peter Brown
Readers: Bob O'Connor & Michelle Yates
Euch. Minister: Mary Lynch
Collectors: Amanda & Hamish Howley-Rouse

**Sunday 9am Mass
November 19**

Greeters: Lauren Prill & Katie Chapman
Altar Servers: Joshua Topp
Commentator: Jolan Search
Data Projector: Kim Ballinger
Readers: Kay Scoullar & Caitlin Will
Euch. Ministers: Paula Boyle & Andy Thompson
Collectors: Alex Kabysh & Kirsten Topp
Counters: Bridget & Aidan Gleeson
Linen: Melissa Larsen
Morning Tea: John & Anne Howard

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

AT MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH

Fr Tony O'Connor will be celebrating Sunday Masses at 10.30am at MPH Parish for the month of December.

We are also very pleased to announce that he will celebrate Holy Mass on Christmas Day (Dec 25th) at 9am.

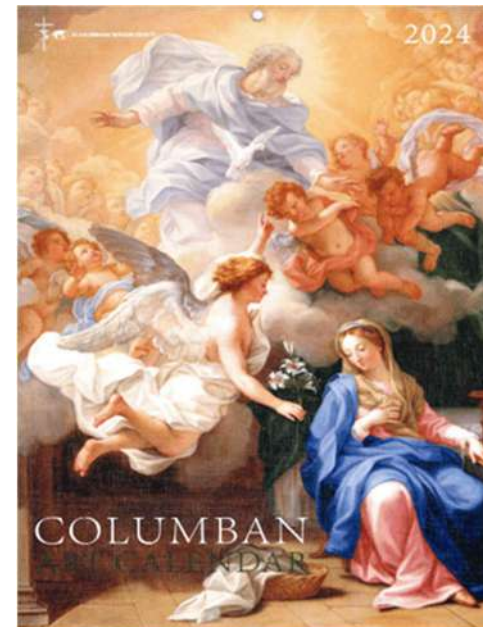
**Card Group
Every Wednesday
1pm to 4pm**

St Ignatius Parish Centre

Come along and enjoy a fun afternoon.
For more info call Bob on (09) 575 7622

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



COLUMBAN CALENDAR 2024

is available for sell on
both Parishes –

MPH Parish Foyer

&

St Ignatius Office

\$12.00

November – Month of Holy Souls

You may place a list of deceased family and friends in the **Pious Box**. It is available in the **MPH Parish Foyer**. This box will be brought up with the *Offertory Procession* at each Mass during November.

Mother of Perpetual Help Parish - Preference Form

If you are wanting a Preference of Enrolment Certificate signed for your child/children, please leave at Glendowie Office and Deacon Mark can sign for you. Thank you.

Marian Movement of Priests

You are invited to attend Mass and pray the Rosary with the Marian Movement of Priests at Mother of Perpetual Help Parish on Saturday, 25th November at 10am.

Mass celebrant is Fr Glenford MMP meeting in the Parish Centre following Mass. Stay for a cuppa afterwards.

Group Program to Support Parents

Join parishioner of St Ignatius, Clinical Psychologist and mum of 4 young children, Philippa Ewer in a parenting group program focused on overcoming children's challenging behaviour, working towards healing causes of anger, worry and confusion that flare in our parenting, and building a family rich with laughter and connection. The program involves 6 group sessions starting on Sunday, 16 November from 7pm-8.30pm at \$40 (plus GST) per session. Sessions will be a mixture of in person at St Ignatius Parish Centre and online. To register or for more information contact pewer.connections@gmail.com or on 027 290 0981.

Next Week Readings: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prov. 31:10-13,19-20,30-31 – 1Thess 4.13-18

Gospel Matthew 25.1-13



St Vincent de Paul Christmas Cards

Our 'Keep Christ in Christmas' theme cards are now available for purchase, 5 Cards with envelopes at \$5.00 per pack.

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Raffle

Our Christmas Raffle is kindly sponsored by New World Stonefields. 1st Prize is a Food Hamper, 2nd & 3rd Prize Homemade Christmas Cake or Bottle of Bubbly with Chocolates. Tickets are \$5.00 each or \$10.00 for 3 Tickets. See us in the entrance MPH Parish foyer at our 10.30am Mass on Sunday morning. We look forward to your support.

Karla bids us a farewell & Job Vacancy

It is with a heavy heart that we learned of Karla's decision to step down from her role. Karla and her family are moving to Perth, Australia, at the end of this month. She has played a vital role in both Mother Perpetual Help and St Ignatius, offering essential administrative support and a warm, friendly presence to our parishioners. We extend our heartfelt blessings to Karla and her family as they embark on this new journey.

As we bid farewell to Karla, we acknowledge that there will be a vacancy to fill. **In the coming weeks, we will be publishing a comprehensive Job Vacancy advertisement.** In the meantime, if you or someone you know may be interested in this role, please reach out to Matthew, our Parish Operations Manager, for a discussion about the position. The role involves working closely with the Operations Manager to oversee the day-to-day operations of our Parishes, facilitating communication between Fr. John, Fr. Austin, lay leaders, and various Committees. This also includes assisting with Mass preparations and ensuring that important information is effectively communicated to our parishioners, among other responsibilities.

WEDNESDAY MASSES FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR

November 15 th School Mass	9.00am
November 22 nd School Mass	9.00am
November 27 th to December 20 th	8.30am
Note: FRIDAY DECEMBER 1st whole School Mass	9.00