

Parish of St Peter - Waiheke Island

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PARISH TIMETABLE: SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5.00PM
SUNDAY MASS 9.15AM

RECONCILIATION RITE | AVAILABLE BEFORE WEEKEND MASSES

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Second Sunday of Advent: Year B : 6 December 2020

Pastor's Note

Every great celebration requires a great deal of preparation, this preparation is essential if the event is to go off with out a hitch. When planning a birthday party, a small checklist needs to be made for the event to be celebrated well. There would need to be food, drinks, a cake, and invitations sent out to those who are close to the individual and perhaps a gift would be purchased to be presented at the party. This becomes even harder if the person seems to have everything, so what do you get the person who has everything? This is certainly a very good question, what sort of gift do you get for someone so important, what sort of gift is fit for a King, and what sort of gift would you want to give to the person who loved you from the beginning. The birthday that we are building up to is the birthday of God incarnate and certainly falls into the category of a person who wants for nothing.

We are clearly told in the Gospel what Jesus wants for his birthday; Jesus wants a real relationship with you. Jesus' birthday party has been a long time in the making. We are told that this Good News can be found in the Prophet Isaiah, that there would be a voice crying in the wilderness telling us how to prepare for this great celebration. That God desires the paths of our lives to be made straight for the coming of the Messiah. This is done specifically by receiving forgiveness through the confession sin. This is a process of self-emptying so that we can receive more from the source of all goodness.

This gift that we give to God is a gift that benefits us, we present ourselves to God like a vessel and God fills us with his power and grace. The birthday of Christ is the one party where the host desires to give the guests more than the guests could ever offer. In a way this Advent period is a time where we ready ourselves for the generosity to come at Christmas. It is a period where we are called to renew our desire to be Jesus' disciples. Today John the Baptist encourages us to seek out the one who will follow him, the one who is greater and will baptise his followers with the Holy Spirit.

This Gospel message relates well to the first element of the diocesan "Mission Map", we are all called to be disciples of Jesus. This is a deeply personal call on each one of us, and because it is a personal call no one can respond on our behalf, you are called to actively engage in this time of preparation. Jesus wants us to be united with him on his birthday and Jesus desires to give you the greatest of gifts, the gift of his physical presence. This gift is a gift that keeps on giving, it is a gift that will help you as we celebrate the birth of Christ and will continue to aid us as we progress into the new year. The great gift will help and guide you in your discipleship, growing from strength to strength in the relationship that Jesus has desired to have with you from the beginning of time.

Fr Tony King-Archer, Cathedral of St Patrick and St Joseph, Auckland

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PARISH ROSTERS 5 – 20 December 2020

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PROCLAIMERS OF THE WORD

	Welcome/PoF	First Reading	Second Reading
Saturday 5 December	Laurie Leonard	Ruth Gracie	Neil Johnson
Sunday 6 December	Ceri O'Connor	Christine Sloan	Judith Aggrey
Saturday 12 December	Bronwen Muir	Kevin McBride	Barbara McBride
Sunday 13 December	Kirsten Sloan	Judith Aggrey	Gaileen McGivern
Saturday 19 December	Carol Grbin	Ivan Grbin	Mary Wright
Sunday 20 December	Gaileen McGivern	Judith Aggrey	Ceri O'Connor

MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION (*responsible for set up)

Saturday 5 December	*Chris Lynch	Lucy Santoso	
Sunday 6 December	*David Sloan	Ann Ita Harrison	
Saturday 12 December	*Susan McCusker	Mary Grice	
Sunday 13 December	*Fe Wilson	Jana Cerquettini	Cathy Carroll
Saturday 19 December	*Velvet Cooney	Mike Glynn	
Sunday 20 December	*Pauline Dunkley	Moira Eades-McMahon	David Sloan

LITURGY OF THE WORD (9.00am) Wednesday 9 December

Leader	Kevin McBride
Reader	Barbara McBride
Minister	Pauline Dunkley

DRIVEWAY MAINTENANCE

Saturday 12 December	Clucy Ingram	Saturday 19 December	David Harold
Saturday 26 December	Barbara Boyce	Saturday 2 January	Patrick Newton

CHURCH CLEANING

12/19 December	Kirsten & Christine Sloan	26 December/2 January	Romel and Beng de Guzman
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PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK, RECOVERING FROM SURGERY OR NEEDING OUR PRAYERS, ESPECIALLY: Louise Shave, Angela Marsden, Peter Ryder, Ann Thomas, Elizabeth O'Flaherty, Shona Sullivan, John Gillespie, Jenny Wallace, the Grevatt family, Mike & Josie Glynn & son Mark Walsh and his family, Debbie Sheridan, Father Gerard Glynn, Eileen Porteous & Clive Brock (brother & sister of Ruth Gracie), Freddy Gonzales, Monica Kelsey (sister of Tom Hughes), Bronwen Muir, Stu & Jo Weekes, Kennedy Harper Wilson, Amanda & Garret Quinn, David Sloan, Joyce Camilleri, Rex McQuinn (father of Katie Horton), Roy & Jan Carroll, Brian Henry.



Advent Wreath
Entrance:
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Recessional:

Maranatha 272
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Notices

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung)

Wait in joy - ful hope, a sav - iour will come,
 Je - sus Christ the light of the world.
 Wait in joy - ful hope, a sav - iour will come,
 Wel - come to the Word of God.



APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
 Creator of Heaven and Earth;
 and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our
 Lord: who was conceived by the Holy
 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary;
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died and was buried.
 He descended into Hell;
 on the third day
 He rose again from the dead;
 He ascended into Heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand
 of God the Father Almighty;
 from there He will come to judge
 the living and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and life everlasting. Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will hear what the Lord has to say,
 a voice that speaks of peace,
 peace for his people.
 His help is near for those who fear him
 and his glory will dwell in our land.

Mercy and faithfulness have met;
 justice and peace have embraced.
 Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
 and justice look down from heaven.

The Lord will make us prosper
 and our earth shall yield its fruit.
 Justice shall march before him
 and peace shall follow his steps.

CONFITEOR

I confess to almighty God
 and to you, my brothers and sisters,
 that I have **greatly sinned**
 in my thoughts and in my words,
 in what I have done and
 in what I have failed to do,
through my fault,
through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
 therefore I ask blessed Mary
 ever-Virgin,
 all the Angels and Saints,
 and you, my brothers and sisters, to
 pray for me to
 the Lord our God

Small Fundraising Craft Stall. The grand total raised is a wonderful \$38,150.00. The stall has books, freshly made preserves and interesting small items for sale. The next raffle is for an amazing Christmas hamper and it will be drawn on 20 December. Thank you to the whole parish. Jo and the team.

A Gift of Giving. Help to fill our Christmas boxes which will go to needy families this Christmas on Waiheke. St Peters is participating in the **Advent Christmas Box Appeal** by Waiheke Budgeting Services. Please bring along Christmas goodies, pantry staples, toiletries and cleaning products until our boxes are filled. Monetary donations are also welcome - please see Kirsten or Christine Sloan.

Parish Finance: In preparation of the closure of the BNZ on Waiheke, we encourage all parishioners and visitors to use bank transfers for donations to St Peters. St Peters bank details are: BNZ, 020100-120990-14. For further information please phone David Sloan on 021-668-801.

A **refreshed diocesan website** same address <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/> is live. Bishop Pat invites you to explore it. You will also find a message from him and Bishop Michael regarding the Mission Map on the site as well as a wealth of information and resources.

Rite II Reconciliation will be held on Thursday 10th Dec at 7pm. A great preparation for Christmas.

Waiheke Parish Advent Activity : "Come and renew the face of the Earth"

Join us in prayer to prepare for the coming of Lord Jesus this Christmas by interceding for the World, our community and youth. The theme of the second advent Sunday is repentance. This week we pray for people that we sometimes have quarrels with and ask God for forgiveness of our sins. "Come and renew the face of the Earth" is for the whole parish family of all ages with the aim of strengthening our Catholic Community for missionary discipleship and building up spirituality for our young people and children. Please see the activity board at the back of the St Peter's Church and follow the instructions.

"Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.
 And kindle in them the fire of your love.
 Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.
 And you will renew the face of the earth."

St Peter's Parish is going to be on TV. The Mass on Shine TV for the 4th Sunday of Advent is going to be pre-recorded at St Peter's. The Mass will be pre-recorded on **Wednesday 16 December at 9.00am**. Pa Peter will be the celebrant and Gabrielle Smith will play the music and Pa Peter will prepare a hymn sheet. **It would be wonderful if as many parishioners as possible could attend this Mass.**

Please note the following **mass times** over the Christmas period:

Thursday 24 December Christmas Eve - Carols at 5.30pm followed by mass at 6pm
 Friday 25 December Christmas Day - Carols at 8.45am followed by mass at 9.15am
 Saturday 26 December - Vigil mass at 5pm
 Sunday 27 December - mass at 9.15am

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

6 Dec: 2nd Sunday of Advent: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; 2Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8
13 Dec: 3rd Sunday of Advent: Isaiah 61:1-2;10-11; 1Thessalonians; 5:16-24; John 1: 16-24