

Holy Family Parish

1st Sunday of Advent (Year C)

2nd December 2018



FIRST READING : Jeremiah 33:14-16;

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I am going to fulfil the promise I made to the House of Israel and the House of Judah:

‘In those days and at that time, I will make a virtuous Branch grow for David, who shall practise honesty and integrity in the land. In those days Judah shall be saved and Israel shall dwell in confidence. And this is the name the city will be called: The-Lord-our-integrity.’

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 24:4-5,8-9,10,14

℟. To you O Lord I lift my soul.

Lord make me know your ways, Lord teach me your paths make me walk in your truth and teach me for you are God my saviour. ℟.

The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray He guides the humble in the right path. He teaches his way to the poor. ℟.

His ways are faithfulness and love for those who keep his covenant and will The Lord’s friendship is for those who revere him, to them he reveals his covenant. ℟.

SECOND READING : 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

May the Lord be generous in increasing your love and make you love one another and the whole human race as much as we love you. And may he so confirm your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless in the sight of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus Christ comes with all his saints.

Finally, brothers, we urge you and appeal to you in the Lord Jesus to make more and more progress in the kind of life that you are meant to live: the life that God wants, as you learnt from us, and as you are already living it. You have not forgotten the instructions we gave you on the authority of the Lord Jesus.

GOSPEL : Luke 21:25-28,34-36

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.

‘Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.’

ADVENT RECONCILIATION

Come along to Advent Reconciliation at **Holy Family, Dec 21st, Friday, 7pm**. Prepare your soul spiritually for Christmas by going to Confession.

Other options:

Avondale, Wed, Dec 19, 7pm
Glen Eden, Thurs, Dec 13, 7pm
Henderson, Fri, Dec 14, 7pm
Blockhouse Bay, Fri, Dec 20, 7pm

Next Sunday

SPECIAL END-OF-YEAR PARISH MORNING TEA

Special Morning Tea to thank everyone. Sunday, December 9th. *Please bring a plate.* In the Hall following the 9:30 Mass.

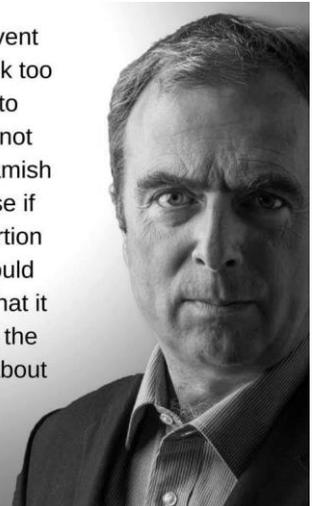
THURSDAY NIGHT FORMATION

TOPIC= SERIES ON APOLOGETICS

Come along Thursday to continue a series of formation sessions on Apologetics – Learning how to make an explanatory defence of the Faith. 7pm, Bugler Centre.

Abortion is the only event that modern liberals think too *violent and obscene* to portray on TV. This is not because they are squeamish or prudish. It is because if people knew what Abortion really looked like, it would destroy their pretense that it is a *civilized answer* to the problem of what to do about unwanted babies

— Peter Hitchens —



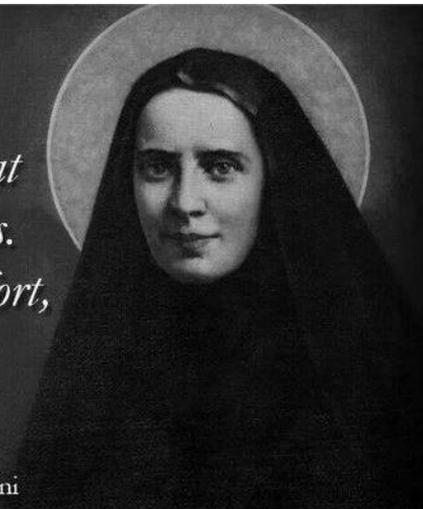
"Our Lord does not look so much at the greatness of our actions, or even at their difficulty, as at the love with which we do them."

ST. THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX



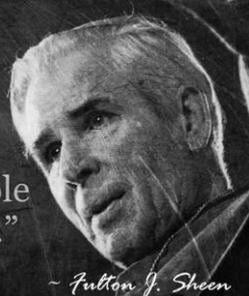
"Go often my dear ones and place yourself at the feet of Jesus. He is our comfort, our way, and our life."

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini



"It is a characteristic of any decaying civilization that the great masses of the people are unaware of the tragedy."

~ Fulton J. Sheen



We put pride into everything like salt. We like to see that our good works are known. If our virtues are seen, we are pleased; if our faults are perceived, we are sad.

The saints were not like that ...

Saint John Vianney



ST. GERTRUDE the GREAT

"The Holy Souls in purgatory are our friends. If everyone had to adopt a holy soul to pray for, purgatory would be emptied in no time."



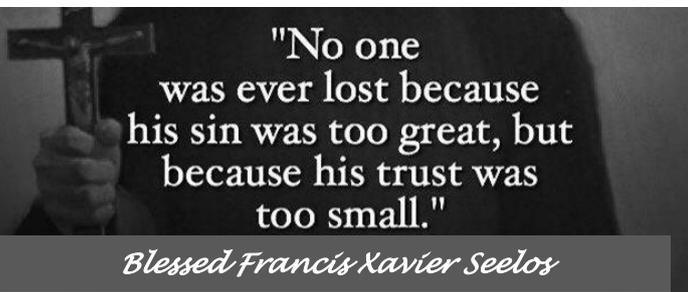
"You must believe in truth that whatever God gives or permits is for your salvation."

-St. Catherine of Siena



"No one was ever lost because his sin was too great, but because his trust was too small."

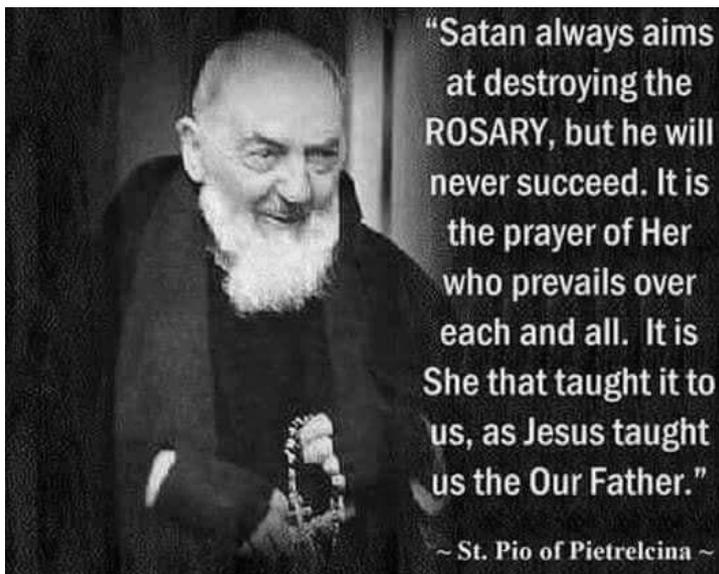
Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos



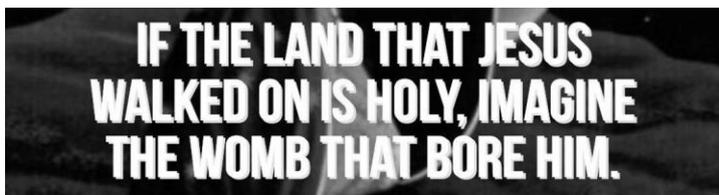
"If you really want to love Jesus, first learn to suffer, because suffering teaches you to love"
~ St Gemma Galgani

"Satan always aims at destroying the ROSARY, but he will never succeed. It is the prayer of Her who prevails over each and all. It is She that taught it to us, as Jesus taught us the Our Father."

~ St. Pio of Pietrelcina ~



IF THE LAND THAT JESUS WALKED ON IS HOLY, IMAGINE THE WOMB THAT BORE HIM.



That which softens the hearts of men
is not wrath, not accusation, not abuse.
It is gentleness.

St John Chrysostom

A Prayer for Priests

by St. Therese of Lisieux

O Jesus, eternal Priest,
keep your priests
within the shelter of Your Sacred Heart,
where none may touch them.

Keep unstained their anointed hands,
which daily touch Your Sacred Body.
Keep unsullied their lips,
daily purpled with your Precious Blood.
Keep pure and unearthly their hearts,
sealed with the sublime mark of the
priesthood.

Let Your holy love surround them and
shield them from the world's contagion.
Bless their labors with abundant fruit
and may the souls
to whom they minister
be their joy and consolation here,
and in heaven their beautiful and
everlasting crown.

Amen.

"In my deepest wound I saw
Your glory,
and it astounded me."

— St Augustine

THE MEANING OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL IMAGERY

PRAYER

OH MARY CONCEIVED
WITHOUT SIN, PRAY
FOR US WHO HAVE
RECOURSE TO THEE!



RAYS

THROUGH HER
INTERCESSION,
SHE SENDS GOD'S
GRACE TO THE
WORLD.

**FEET ON GLOBE
AND SERPENT**
THE GLOBE IS THE WORLD
AND THE SERPENT IS
SATAN. MARY HELPS US IN
THE FIGHT AGAINST EVIL.

TWO HEARTS
JESUS' AND MARY'S. THEY
REPRESENT THE FORCE OF
LOVE THAT REACHES TOTAL
SURRENDER.

**TWELVE
STARS**
THEY ARE THE 12
APOSTLES, REPRESENTING
THE CHURCH.

**LETTER "M"
WITH THE CROSS**
THE M OF MARY AND
THE CROSS OF CHRIST
ARE INTERTWINED AS A
SIGN OF THEIR UNION.

ChurchPOP

I AM CONVINCED GOD IS LOOKING FOR DODOES.
HE FOUND ONE: ME! THERE ARE A LOT OF SMART PEOPLE
OUT THERE WHO KNOW IT CAN'T BE DONE, SO THEY DON'T
DO IT. BUT A DODO DOESN'T KNOW IT CAN'T BE DONE. GOD
USES DODOES: PEOPLE WHO ARE WILLING TO LOOK
RIDICULOUS SO GOD CAN DO THE MIRACULOUS.

Mother Angelica

"And every
day, when your
heart especially
feels the
loneliness of life,
pray."

- St. Padre Pio

- St. Angela Merici

"Remember
that the
Devil
doesn't
sleep, but
seeks
our ruin
in a
thousand
ways."

Those who meditate on my
Seven Dolors will obtain
peace in their families

Our Lady to St. Bridget

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

O Come, O come, Emmanuel
 Redeem thy captive Israel,
 That doth in exile homeless mourn
 Until her Saviour Christ be born.

Rejoice, rejoice!

Emmanuel is born to save thee Israel.

O come thou day star seen on high
 with healing for our hearts draw nigh:
 Do thou the mists of night dispel and
 death's foreboding darkness quell.

Rejoice, rejoice!

Emmanuel is born to save thee Israel.

O come of Gentile hearts, the King.
 A world that needs thee ransoming
 And save thy Servants who confess
 with humbled hearts their faithlessness.

Rejoice, rejoice!

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OFFERTORY HYMN:

Come, thou long expected Jesus,
 Born to set thy people free;
 From our fears and sins release us,
 Let us find our rest in thee.

Israel's strength and consolation,
 hope of all the earth thou art:
 Dear desire of ev'ry nation,
 joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver,
 Born a child, and yet a king,
 Born to reign in us forever,
 Now thy gracious kingdom bring.

By thine own eternal Spirit Rule
 in all our hearts alone;
 By thine all sufficient merit
 Raise us to thy glorious throne.

COMMUNION HYMN:

Alma Redemptorist - Choir
*Kind mother of the Redeemer, the open
 gateway to heaven and star of the sea.
 Help your fallen people who strive to rise
 again: we pray you, who bore your holy
 son by a miracle of nature, a virgin first
 and last, who receive God's greeting from
 the mouth of Gabriel, have mercy on
 sinners.*(English Translation)

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

O come, divine Messiah;
 The world in silence waits the day
 When hope shall sing its triumph
 And sadness flee away.

Dear Saviour, haste!

Come, come to earth.

*dispel the night and show your face,
 and bid us hail the dawn of grace.*

*O come, divine Messiah; the world in
 silence waits the day when hope shall sing
 its triumph and sadness flee away.*

O Christ, whom nations sign for,
 Whom priest and prophet long foretold,
 Come break the captive's fetters,
 Redeem the long lost fold.

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*dispel the night and show your face,
 and bid us hail the dawn of grace.*

*O come, divine Messiah; the world in
 silence waits the day when hope shall
 sing its triumph and sadness flee away.*

You come in peace and meekness
 And lowly will your cradle be;
 All clothed in human weakness
 Shall we your Godhead see.

FAMILY PRAYERS FOR ADVENT**What to do?**

1. Begin with the Sign of the Cross
2. Light Candle
3. Say Antiphon of the Day
4. Say the Advent Prayer of that week
5. say Gospel of the Week
6. Finish with Grace before Meals.

1st Week Prayer: Stir up your might we
 beg You Lord, and come, so that we may
 escape through Your protection and be
 saved by Your help from the dangers
 that threaten us because of our sins.
 Who lives and reigns forever and ever.
 Amen

1st Week Gospel Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

"Be vigilant at all times and pray that
 you have the strength to escape the
 tribulations that are imminent..."

First Candle and Week 1 of Advent

Monday: "O Wisdom, you come forth
 from the mouth of the Most High. You
 fill the universe and hold all things
 together in a strong yet gentle manner.
 O come to teach us the way of truth."

Tuesday: "O Adonai and leader of
 Israel, you appeared to Moses in a
 burning bush and you gave him the Law
 on Sinai. O come and save us with your
 mighty power."

Wednesday: "O stock of Jesse, you
 stand as a signal for the nations; kings
 fall silent before you whom the peoples
 acclaim. O come to deliver us, and do
 not delay."

Thursday: "O key of David and sceptre
 of Israel, what you open no one else can
 close again; what you close no one can
 open. O come to lead the captive from
 prison; free those who sit in darkness
 and in the shadow of death."

Friday: "O Rising Sun, you are the
 splendour of eternal light and the sun of
 justice. O come and enlighten those who
 sit in darkness and in the shadow of
 death."

Saturday: "O King whom all the
 people's desire, you are the cornerstone
 which makes all one. O come and save
 man whom you made from clay."

Sunday: "O Emmanuel, you are our
 king and judge, the One whom the
 peoples await and their Saviour. O come
 and save us, Lord, our God."

NEXT SUNDAY:

9th December 2018

Second Sunday of Advent (Yr C)
Baruch 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6,8-11; Lk 3:1-6;

LITURGY ROSTER

Readers: Lupe Ahio, A. Leifi
Prayers of the Faithful: F. Xavier
Offertory: Endemann Family
Special Ministers: M. Tupai

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

Adoration in Church
SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER

Tongan Community

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

2 Dec: Mary Green, Elizabeth Banfi

5 Dec: Kevin Lyons, Phillip Luoni

8 Dec: Paddy Boyle, Eileen Moody,
 Edna Headland

PARISH FINANCES

Parish	\$ 965.40
Priests	\$ 482.70
Total Cash	\$ 1,448.10

Parish Notices

- **LAST 24hr ADORATION FOR 2018** -
 Friday 7th December at 7pm till Saturday
 8th December at 6pm.
- **QUIZ NIGHT.** Thank you to all those who
 came to the quiz night! It was a fun night
 had by all.
- **"ITEMS FOR CHRISTMAS HAMPERS".**
 Thank you to everyone who has donated
 items for the Christmas Hampers, next
 week will be the last Sunday for collecting
 items. Most of the hampers are ready to be
 delivered.
- **CHRISTMAS FLOWER RAFFLE.** will be
 drawn TODAY, get your tickets!
- **ROSTERS 2019.** If your family would like
 to be added to the Church Cleaning or
 Morning Tea or Offertory Rosters please
 see Ellen.
- **COLUMBAN AND MASS CALENDARS.** For
 Sale before 9:30am Mass today.
- **CATECHISM CLASS.** This Sunday will be
 the last Catechism Class for 2018.

Diocesan Notices

- **MARCH FOR LIFE.** Saturday 8th December.
 Gather at 2pm in Civic Square (101
 Wakefield St) ready to walk to Parliament
 grounds. marchforlife.nz or phone Michael
 on 021 825 955.
- **ROSARY CRUSADE.** Next Saturday 8th of
 December, Solemnity of the Immaculate
 Conception, @ 3 pm. Go to the website to
 know more...<https://rosarycrusade.co.nz>
- **LATIN MASS CHAPLAINCY.** One day
 Gregorian Chant Workshop with special
 Marian focus. 8th December - St Ann's
 Chapel, 3 Cole Place, Te Atatu South - 10am
 till 5:30pm. \$10 per person, \$20 per family