



# Holy Family Parish

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent (Year A)  
Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019



## FIRST READING: Isaiah 2:1-5

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem: In the days to come the mountain of the Temple of the Lord shall tower above the mountains and be lifted higher than the hills. All the nations will stream to it, peoples without number will come to it; and they will say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the Temple of the God of Jacob that he may teach us his ways so that we may walk in his paths; since the Law will go out from Zion, and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem. 'He will wield authority over the nations and adjudicate between many peoples; these will hammer their swords into plough shares, their spears into sickles. Nation will not lift sword against nation, there will be no more training for war. O House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 121:1-2,4-5,6-9

*℟. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.*

*I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. ℟.*

*It is there that the tribes go up the tribes of the Lord for Israel's law it is there to praise the Lord's name there were set the thrones of judgement of the house of the Lord. ℟.*

*For love of my brethren and friends, I say: "Peace upon you". For love of the house of the Lord I will ask for your good. ℟.*

## SECOND READING : Romans 13:11-14

You know 'the time' has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon – let us give up all the things we prefer to do under cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ

## GOSPEL : Matthew 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left. 'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

## ADVENT RECONCILIATION

Come along to Advent Reconciliation at  
**Holy Family, Dec 20<sup>th</sup>, Friday, 7pm.**  
Prepare your soul spiritually for Christmas  
by going to Confession.

*Other options:*

Avondale, Wednesday, Dec 18, 7pm

Glen Eden, Tuesday, Dec 10, 7pm

Henderson, Saturdays, Dec 7 & 14 & 21, 11:30am-12:30pm

Blockhouse Bay, Thursday, Dec 12, 7pm

Massey, Tuesday, Dec 17, 7pm

## St José Luis Sánchez

Below: A current photo of his incorrupt body which currently resides in his hometown, Sahuayo, in Mexico, in St James the Apostle Church. He was killed by the anti-Catholic regime of the time, at age 14yrs, in 1928, for refusing to renounce his faith. He was canonised as a martyr by Pope Francis in 2016. José's killing was witnessed by two childhood friends and his parents. José was captured by government forces, who ordered him to renounce his faith in Christ, under threat of death. He refused to accept apostasy. To break his resolve, he was made to watch the hanging of another Cristero that they had in custody, but instead José encouraged the man, saying that they would soon meet again in Heaven after death. In prison, José prayed the rosary daily and wrote an emotional letter to his mother, saying that he was ready to fulfil the will of God to whom he dedicated himself. His father attempted to raise a ransom to save him, but was not able to appease the government in time to do so, thus failing to secure the release of his son. Others recalled the gruesome events that transpired after the government's failure to break José's resolve on the evening of 10 February 1928: "Consequently they cut the bottom of his feet and obliged him to walk around the town toward the cemetery. They also at times cut him with a machete until he was bleeding from several wounds. He cried and moaned with pain, but he did not give in. At times they stopped him and said, 'If you shout, "Death to Christ the King" we will spare your life'. José would only shout, 'I will never give in. Viva Cristo Rey!'" (Long live Christ the King)



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  - Exploration of authentic masculinity & the feminine genius - Holy Mass
  - Adoration - Medieval banquet and much more!



17th-19th January 2020

"I have seen the white stag Himself, and He declared to me in a vision... 'raise up for me the banners of the rising phoenix and darting nightingale and I will lead you to victory!' Therefore fear not the night! Arise children of freedom; those who have been purchased by His blood!"  
- Lord Tarsius The Wanderer



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[www.silverioncamps.com](http://www.silverioncamps.com)



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# Coast To Coast Rosary

Sat 7th December 3pm



***for Life and Faith***

Come to Holy Family Church on Saturday, Dec 7, 3pm, to join others in praying the Rosary against the proposed End-of-Life Bill (decided by referendum next year), and against the Abortion Reform Bill. We'll be praying in unison with those gathered in Wellington at the March for Life.

*under the mantle of Our Lady of Assumption*

For more info [www.coasttocoastroary.co.nz](http://www.coasttocoastroary.co.nz) PH:022 1912886

**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 forboding 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!*

*Emmanuel is born to save thee Israel.*

**OFFERTORY HYMN:**

*Alma Redemptoris Mater  
 quae pervia caeli porta manes  
 et stella maris, succurre cadenti,  
 surgere qui curat populo:  
 tu quae genuisti, natura mirante,  
 tuum sanctum genitorem:  
 Virgo prius ac posterius,  
 Gabrielis ab ore sumens illud ave,  
 peccatorum miserere.*

**COMMUNION 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.

**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.

*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.*

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.

**1<sup>st</sup> 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

**1<sup>st</sup>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:**

**8 December 2019**

**Second Sunday of Advent (Yr A)**

*Is 11:1-10; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12;*

**LITURGY ROSTER**

**Readers:** Lupe Ahio, A. Leifi

**Prayers of the Faithful:** F. Xavier

**Offertory:** Hatzaw Family

**Special Ministers:** M. Tupai

**CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER**

Adoration Weekend

**SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER**

Tongan Community

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

**2 Dec:** *Mary Green, Elizabeth Banfi*

**5 Dec:** *Kevin Lyons, Philip Luoni*

**PARISH FINANCES**

<b>Parish</b>	\$1,496.40
<b>Priests</b>	\$748.20
<b>Total Cash</b>	\$2,244.60

**Holy Family Parish Notices**

- **LAST 24hr ADORATION FOR 2019** - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm till Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm.
- **QUIZ NIGHT.** Thank you to all those who came to the quiz night!
- **FENCE.** Thank you so much for all your generous donations towards the fence.
- **CHRISTMAS FLOWER RAFFLE.** will be drawn Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December, get your tickets!
- **ROSTERS 2020.** If your family would like to be added to the Church Cleaning or Morning Tea or Offertory Rosters please see Ellen.
- **CATECHISM CLASSES.** Last Catechism classes for 2019 will be on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December.
- **F.I.** A three bedroomed house or flat urgently required in the parish area. Please contact Colleen Bayer (Family Life International) on 0274488061

**Diocesan Notices**

- **MARCH FOR LIFE.** Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Gather at 2pm in Civic Square (101 Wakefield St) ready to walk to Parliament grounds. [marchforlife.nz](http://marchforlife.nz)
- **COAST TO COAST ROSARY.** Next Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> of December, @ 3 pm. [www.coasttocoastrosary.co.nz](http://www.coasttocoastrosary.co.nz)
- **ST MARY'S SCHOOL NORTHCOTE.** Annual fundraising Christmas Market on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 10am - 2pm, 45 Gladstone Road, Northcote.
- **CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK.** At St Mary's Avondale, 2134 Great North Road, 21 December 2019, 7pm - 9:30pm after mass at 6pm. With live entertainment, food stalls, carols and choirs.
- **G.I.F.T. CHRISTMAS MASS** Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December, 4pm at Good Shepherd Church, Balmoral.