



# Holy Family Parish

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent – Year A –

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2022

## 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 ploughshares, 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(122):1-2,4-5,6-9



℟. *Let us go re-joicing 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 judgment 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.'

### FAMILY PRAYERS FOR ADVENT WREATH

#### 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..."

**PARISH PICNIC Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December,  
after the 9:30am Mass**

**On the back field of the Parish Property**

*Please bring a plate to share and a picnic mat to sit on.*

We are in need of popup gazebos we can borrow for the day to offer shade. Please contact Ellen on 8346677.

### 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."

**He is in me, I am in Him.  
I have only to love Him, to let myself be  
loved, all the time, through all things:**



**to wake in Love, to move in Love,  
to sleep in Love, my soul in His soul,  
my Heart in His heart, my eyes in His eyes...**  
Blessed Elizabeth of the Trinity

***"Of all prayers, the most  
meritorious, the most  
acceptable to God, are prayers  
for the dead, because they  
imply all the works of charity,  
both corporal and spiritual."  
~St. Thomas Aquinas***

Poverty is good and contains within itself all the good things in the world. It is a great domain—I mean that he who cares nothing for the good things of the world has dominion over them all.

St. Teresa of Avila, *The Way of Perfection*



**Look after them the way  
they looked after you.**

There are certain people in life who shape who you are. Special people who were always there to give you advice, support, comfort and love. When the time comes to bid them farewell, make sure you farewell them properly.

Talk to us, we'll help you do just that.

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If we wish to dwell in God's tent, we will never arrive unless we run there by doing good deeds.

St. Benedict, *Rule*

**THE MOST POWERFUL WEAPON TO  
CONQUER THE DEVIL IS HUMILITY. FOR,  
AS HE DOES NOT KNOW AT ALL HOW TO  
EMPLOY IT, NEITHER DOES HE KNOW HOW  
TO DEFEND HIMSELF FROM IT.**

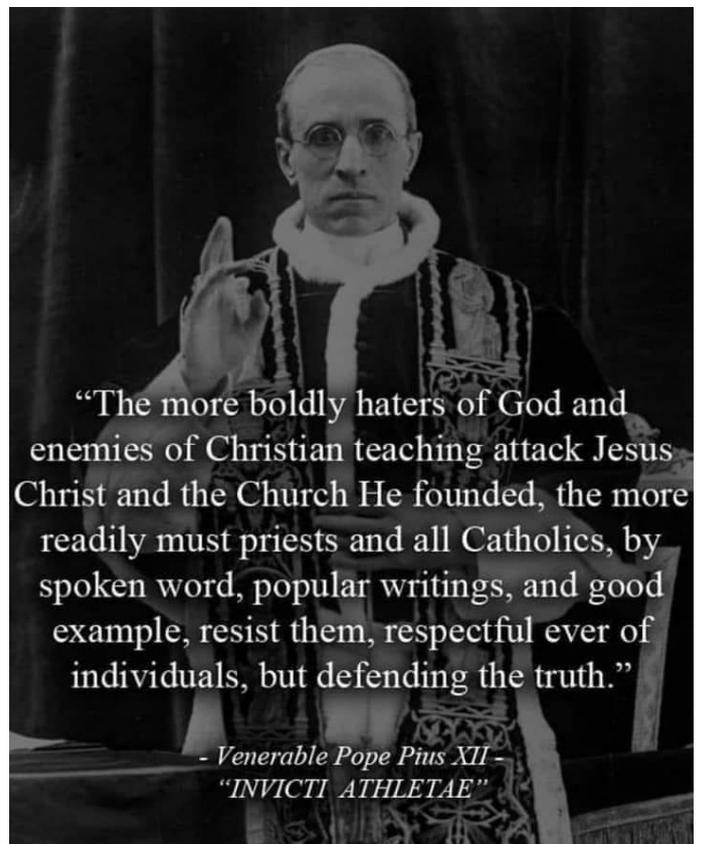
St Vincent de Paul

**God speaks in  
the silence of the heart.  
Listening is the beginning  
of prayer.**

-St. Teresa of Calcutta

**"THE JUDGE WILL SHOW MERCY  
IN PROPORTION AS WE SHOW IT."**

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
(Collected Writings)



**"The more boldly haters of God and  
enemies of Christian teaching attack Jesus  
Christ and the Church He founded, the more  
readily must priests and all Catholics, by  
spoken word, popular writings, and good  
example, resist them, respectful ever of  
individuals, but defending the truth."**

- Venerable Pope Pius XII -  
"INVICTI ATHLETAE"

**"At communion we ought to ask  
for the remedy of the vice to which  
we feel ourselves most inclined."**

St Philip Neri

# Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

## The Man of the Beatitudes

**Y**oung people today who are looking for a role model will find someone to identify with in this vibrant young outdoorsman who combined a deep love for Christ, a desire to serve the needy, and a mission to imbue society and politics with Christian ideals.



**Date of birth:**

April 6, 1901

**Birthplace:** Turin, Italy

**Died:** July 4, 1925

**Age:** 24

**Feast day** July 4



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*To live without faith, without a patrimony to defend, without a steady struggle for truth, that is not living, but existing.”*

### 1901

Pier Giorgio Frassati was born in Turin, Italy on April 6, into a wealthy and influential family, who owned a newspaper called *La Stampa*.



Despite his family's enormous wealth and power, Pier Giorgio's father was austere and never gave his children too much spending money.

What little he did have, he gave to help the poor, even using his bus fare for charity and then running home to be on time for meals.



### 1918

He decided to become a mining engineer, studying at the Royal Polytechnic University of Turin, so he could "serve Christ better among the miners," as he told a friend.

### 1919

He enrolls in the Italian Catholic Students Federation. He joined the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

### 1921

He attends the Young Catholic Workers Congress in Roe and is arrested during a demonstration.

### 1922

He joins the Circle of the Young Catholic Workers. He becomes a Dominican Tertiary.

### 1924

He founds with his friends the association "the Sinister Ones" or "the Shady Characters."



Mountain climbing was one of his favorite sports. Outings in the mountains, which he organized with his friends, also served as opportunities for his apostolic work.

### 1925

Contracted poliomyelitis, which doctors later speculated he caught from the sick whom he tended.

After six days of terrible suffering Pier Giorgio died at the age of 24.

On the eve of his death, with a paralyzed hand, he scribbled a message to a friend, reminding the friend not to forget the injections for Converso, a poor man Pier Giorgio had been assisting.

The Frassati parents, who had no idea about the generous self-donation of their son, were astonished by the sight of thousands of people crowded outside their mansion on the day of their son's funeral.

The poor and the needy whom he had served so unselfishly for seven years had come to pay homage to him.

### 1981

His mortal remains are exhumed and found to be perfectly in tact and incorrupt.



### 1990

On May 20, Pier Giorgio Frassati is beatified by Pope John Paul II in St. Peter's Square in Rome, in the presence of thousands of young people.

**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.  
 Shall come to thee, O 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.  
 Shall come to thee, O 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.  
 Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

**OFFERTORY HYMN:**

Unto you, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul,  
 O my God, I trust in you,  
 Let me not be put to shame;  
 Do not allow my enemies to laugh at me;  
 For none of those who are awaiting you  
 will be disappointed.

Guide me in your truth, and teach me;  
 for you are the God of my salvation.  
 I have hoped in you all day long.

Remember your compassion, O Lord,  
 And your merciful love,  
 For they are from of old.

Do not remember the sins of my youth,  
 Nor my transgressions.  
 In your merciful love remember me,  
 Because of your goodness, O Lord.

Good and upright is the Lord;  
 He shows the way to sinners.  
 He guides the humble in right judgment;  
 To the humble he teaches his way.

**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.

*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.*

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:**

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

*Sweet Saviour, haste!  
 Come, come to earth.  
 dispel the night and show thy 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 thou, whom nations sighed for,  
 Whom priest and prophets long foretold,  
 wilt break the captive's fetters,  
 Redeem the long lost fold.

*Sweet Saviour, haste!  
 Come, come to earth.  
 dispel the night and show thy 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.*

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

*Sweet Saviour, haste!  
 Come, come to earth.  
 dispel the night and show thy face,  
 and bid us hail the dawn of grace.  
 O come, divine Messiah; the world in  
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**National March for Life.**

You're invited to love them both by attending the sixth annual NATIONAL March for Life in Wellington on Saturday 3 December. Join people of goodwill from all over NZ in a celebration of life that also peacefully protests the practice and legality of abortion. Gather at Civic Square from 1 pm for family-friendly entertainment, sausage sizzle, and pro-life stalls. March to Parliament Grounds begins at 2 pm. Concludes at 4 pm

**Mass for Life.** You're invited to pray for babies, mums, dads, and families at a Mass for Life on Friday 2 December, at 7 pm at St Mary of the Angels, 17 Boulcott Street, Wellington. For more information please visit [fli.org.nz/proliffevents](http://fli.org.nz/proliffevents) or phone Clare 021 231 7954.

**NEXT SUNDAY:**

**4<sup>th</sup> December 2022**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent (Yr A)**

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

**LITURGY ROSTER**

**Readers:** R. Lopez, E. O'Brien  
**Prayers of the Faithful:** B. Molloy  
**Offertory:** Fortuin Family  
**Special Ministers:** S. Molloy

**CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER**

Adoration next weekend

**SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER**

J. Tagiilima Family

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

**28 Nov:** Bill Ashton, Theresa Palmer,  
 Kata Milina

**30 Nov:** Alice McCormick

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

**PARISH FINANCES**

<b>Parish</b>	\$2,316.47
<b>Priests</b>	\$1,158.23
<b>Total Cash and AP's</b>	\$3,474.70

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH NOTICES****Reminder: Final 24hr Adoration for 2022**

starts Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 6pm to Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 6pm.

We have a few time slots where we need an extra person to be there. The time slots are 11am to 12pm, 12pm to 1pm, 2pm to 3pm and 3pm to 4pm. If you are available to fill in those time slots for December, please contact Ellen on 8346677 or by email [hffparish@xtra.co.nz](mailto:hffparish@xtra.co.nz)

**ROSTERS 2023:** If your family would like to be added to the Church Cleaning or Morning Tea or Offertory Rosters please see Ellen or email [hffparish@xtra.co.nz](mailto:hffparish@xtra.co.nz).

**CATECHISM CLASSES:** Please make a note the final Catechism class for 2022 will be on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** On the first 2 Sundays in January (1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>) there will be no Latin Mass at 8am at Holy Family Parish, as Fr Jeremy will be at Hearts Aflame. However, the 9:30am English Mass will still be offered by a visiting priest on those Sundays. A sung Latin Mass will be offered at St Paul's College, Ponsonby, on those Sundays (Jan 1 and Jan 8) by Fr Sumich, FSSP.

**DIOCESAN NOTICES**

**Marriage & Family Life** would like to invite to you consider becoming Marriage Educators. If you have 2 hours a fortnight and are passionate about helping engaged couples prepare for marriage and have been married for 5 years or more, please contact Gerry on 021 02247442.

**G.I.F.T. Christmas Mass** Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 4.30pm at Good Shepherd Church, Telford Ave, Mt Eden. After we will share a light meal after in the G I F T Centre.