



Sunday's Readings and Rosters for Kerikeri 2020

29 November 2020 First Sunday of Advent This Week's Readings: Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1, 3-8 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13:33-37	6 December 2020 Second Sunday of Advent Next Week's Readings: Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1, 3-8 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13:33-37
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<p>Please pray for the sick: Those recovering from surgery, illness or in need of our prayers, especially Christine Spence, Ian Lynch, Nory Estal Grattan, Paul Dowd, Fr Martin Bugler, Moss Pepper, Margaret Mary Upperton, Joe Evans, Dulcie Hoffmann, Rosita Ko, Paul Vujcich, Toni Carlstrom, Howard Trenwith, Geoff Davies. <i>Please keep them in your prayers.</i></p>	
<p>We remember those who have died recently: Margaret Bonner, Eileen Auckram, Gary Finnerty, Ian Dudley, Sylvie Parvone, Fr. Paul Prendergast, SSC, Fr. Philip Handforth, Rob Hamlin, Bernice Keenan, Anne O'Sullivan, Jim Blair, Mary Donoghue, Messina Shaw, Bridget Simmonds, Leone Booth, Fr. Nick Hoogeveen, Margaret Cahill and our loved ones whose anniversaries occur at this time. <i>Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...</i></p>	
<p>Parish Newsletter: A reminder to all our parishioners that if you have any items to be included in the Newsletter, please send it to the following email address by 5pm Thursday: kerikericatholic@gmail.com, or phone 401 7429.</p>	

Kerikeri and Waitāruke

Holy Family
 Catholic Church
 36 Cobham Road
 Kerikeri

Catholic Pastoral Area
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Sacred Heart
 Catholic Church
 Waitāruke, 867 SH 10
 Whangaroa 0478

Weekly Mass Times HOLY FAMILY (Kerikeri)

Sunday Mass
10:15 am

Monday 9:15 am
Tuesday 9:15 am
Wednesday 9:15 am
Friday
HOLY HOUR 11:30am
MASS: 12:30 pm
Saturday 9:15 am

Reconciliation
Wednesday
5:30-6:00pm
Friday
11:30-12:15pm
SACRED HEART
(Waitāruke)
Saturday Vigil Mass
5:00 pm
 The Rosary is prayed before Mass from 4pm

NB: Liturgy of the Word every 3rd Saturday

Thursday 9:00 am
(School Term Only)

The First Sunday of Advent

1st READING	2nd READING	GOSPEL
ISAIAH 63:16-17, 64:1,3-8	1 CORINTHIANS 1:3-9	MARK 13:33-37

Much like Lent, Advent is a time of waiting and preparation for something still to come, with Our Lord's birth, death and resurrection being the most significant events not just in the Church's year but also for our faith. More than this though, Advent also brings with it a sense of expectation as we wait for what we know is coming (likewise with Lent). Much like the Israelites who waited for the coming of the long-expected Messiah over the course of many centuries, we light the candles of our Advent wreath and build a spiritual sense of expectation. What we're waiting for, though isn't simply the celebration of a historical event but also a promise for the future. This is something which we get a sense of from our readings during the Advent season as we journey towards what we're waiting for—the one who was, who is, and is to come. Still, while waiting lies at the heart of the spiritual life, and recurs countless times in scripture, we don't like waiting and this is, of course, exacerbated by mod-cons of our modern society—from microwaves to TV on demand! Spiritually too, we want answers to our questions, we want to feel some sort of immediate response to our faith commitment. Of course, that's not how God works and this is what Advent reminds us of so that we can learn to slow down and take the time to appreciate the unfolding of God's plan—the mystery of our salvation. God, who orders the whole of creation, stands outside of space and time and so our hours, days, and years are radically different from His perspective. So, a long time to us is an instant for God, and what seems like delay to us is no delay at all to God. In this way, what we may feel is pointless waiting, is instead the way that God, in His unique and mysterious manner, chooses to unfold His plan for us, our world and our salvation.

Blessings, Fr Anthony

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Parish Notices:

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: 30 November: St Andrew, Apostle; 3 December: St Francis Xavier.

ANointing MASS: an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Anointing before Christmas for all those who are struggling with their health due to age or infirmity. Friday 4 December at the 12:30pm Mass.

KEEP THE DATE! An open invitation to gather on Gaudete Sunday (the 3rd Sunday of Advent), after Mass with Bishop Michael, to give thanks for the year and for all our volunteers who do so much for our parish.

RITE II RECONCILIATION: WEDNESDAY 9 DECEMBER AT 5:30PM. An opportunity to prepare spiritually for the coming of Christ at Christmas as well as in our lives each day. Fr Larry of Kaitaia Parish has kindly agreed to assist.

A SPECIAL INVITATION: KING'S DAUGHTERS' CHRISTMAS EVENT is next Friday 4th December at Kerikeri Baptist Church starting at 7 p.m. "We are creating a special celebration evening where you can relax, be restored, refreshed, and leave wrapped in God's love. Let's gather together in this season where we remember the birth of Jesus, our Saviour and Lord and the great gifts of faith, hope and love."

ACCOMMODATION NEEDED within walking distance of the Kerikeri Retirement Village, either boarding or as a flatmate. For a young lady, Josmy. Please contact Eileen if you can help or know of someone who may have a room available. Ph. 09 407 9661.

HUGE THANKS to all those wonderful Busy Bees who worked so hard on the Church and grounds last weekend (and beyond)!

COLUMBAN CALENDARS. On sale in both churches for \$12 each, these calendars track the Church's year and the secular year. Every purchase helps to support the work of Columban Missionaries world-wide, and our parishes.

NZ CATHOLIC is on sale once more in the Church Foyer. Your purchase helps to support the diocese and our parish. \$4 per issue,

FEED MY SHEEP: Thank you for your continuing response to the Food Bank's request for help. Your gift of food makes a real difference to the recipients more than ever in this time of COVID-19.

PLEASE CHECK THE NOTICE BOARD FOR OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

With some recurring community transmission in Auckland, just a reminder about the importance of following the recommended practices. Please remember to record your visit using the QR codes at the entrances to both churches (or ensure you keep a manual record) and use the hand sanitiser provided. If you are feeling unwell, please stay at home. If you have any concerns please feel free to talk to Fr Anthony. Holy communion is available for those who are unable, or do not feel comfortable coming to Mass

Reflect the Peace of Christ...

Never forget the words "In this world you will have troubles, but be brave: I have overcome the world." Every time you spend silent time in your prayer room you celebrate Christ's victory over the world (over death, over the evil one) and allow yourself to taste already now the peace that comes from this victory.

It is so important for the people around you to see that peace of Christ reflected in your eyes, your hands, and your words. There is more power in that than in all your teaching and organizing.

That is the truth we need to keep telling each other.



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**Collections 22 November 2020: Kerikeri: \$ 232.30
Waitaruke: \$70.20**

Thank you for your kind generosity. God bless.

Many thanks to all those who were able to maintain their contributions during the lockdown period. Your continued financial support at this difficult time is much appreciated.

A reminder that donations and regular giving contributions can still be paid directly into the parish account, the details of which are:

**R C Bishop of Auckland Kerikeri Parish Account
02 0100 0120958 26**

Please e-mail the Parish Office if you would like a tax receipt.

For those who wish to continue to subscribe to our Parish Pledge Envelope Scheme, envelopes are located by the Notice Board at the back of the Church.

If you are new to the system, please contact the Parish Office so that we can allocate a planned giving number to record your donation.