



## Sunday's Readings and Rosters for Kerikeri 2020

<b>20 December 2020</b> <b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b> <b>This Week's Readings:</b> <b>Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11</b> <b>1 Thessalonians 5:16-24</b> <b>John 1:6-8,19-28</b>	<b>27 December 2020</b> <b>Feast of the Holy Family</b> <b>Next Week's Readings:</b> <b>Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6'12-14</b> <b>Colossians 3:12-21</b> <b>Luke 2:22-40</b>
<b>Welcome:</b> Christelle <b>Laptop:</b> Murray <b>Reader 1:</b> Enid <b>Reader 2:</b> Aleksandra <b>Prayers of the Faithful:</b> Sue <b>Mins. of Eucharist:</b> Maria, Filomena & Bob <b>Sacristan:</b> Pauline/Tony <b>Hospitality:</b> Lisa & Peter A <b>Church Cleaning:</b> Marie & Peter B <b>Lawns:</b> Peter A.	<b>Welcome:</b> Lorna <b>Laptop:</b> Christelle <b>Reader 1:</b> Cheryl <b>Reader 2:</b> Maureen <b>Prayers of the Faithful:</b> Filomena <b>Mins. of Eucharist:</b> Maria C, Pauline & Bob <b>Sacristan:</b> Pauline <b>Hospitality:</b> Joan & Brian, Nellie & Sigit <b>Church Cleaning:</b> Lisa & Peter <b>Lawns:</b> Murray
<p align="center"><b>Please pray for the sick:</b></p> <p>Those recovering from surgery, illness or in need of our prayers, especially <b>Marek Skowronski, Margaret Hurst, Christine Spence, Ian Lynch, Nory Estal Grat-tan, Paul Dowd, Fr Martin Bugler, Moss Pepper, Margaret Mary Upperton, Joe Evans, Dulcie Hoffmann, Rosita Ko, Paul Vujcich, Toni Carlstrom, Howard Trenwith, Geoff Davies.</b> <i>Please keep them in your prayers.</i></p>	
<p align="center"><b>We remember those who have died recently:</b></p> <p>Peter Rogers, Eileen Burlace, Pat Straker, Margaret Bonner, Eileen Auckram, Gary Fin-nerty, 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, and our loved ones whose anniversaries occur at this time.  <b>Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...</b></p>	
<p><b>Parish Newsletter:</b> 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 Thurs-day: <a href="mailto:kerikericatholic@gmail.com">kerikericatholic@gmail.com</a>, 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 be-  
 fore Mass from 4pm

**NB: Liturgy of the Word  
every 3rd Saturday**

**Thursday 9:00 am**  
 (School Term Only)

### The Fourth Sunday of Advent

1st READING	2nd READING	GOSPEL
<u>2 SAMUEL</u> 7:1-5,8-11,16	<u>ROMANS</u> 16:25-27	<u>LUKE</u> 1:26-38

Our gospel this Sunday draws together all we've been hearing in our readings over the previous Sundays of advent. The great promise of God, the long-expected coming of the Messiah, is at last being fulfilled. As St John puts it, with brilliant simplicity in his gospel, "*and the Word became flesh and dwelt among us*". This presence goes far beyond the house for the Lord to dwell in which King David envisages in our first reading—not a temple made of stone but one of living flesh. This is of course what our Christmas celebration is all about and what we've been building up to throughout the Advent season. Still, what we celebrate isn't simply an historical event but the fulfilment of a promise—one which continues through to today. What's perhaps most remarkable though is the way in which this happens; not as a result of Hollywood-like drama, but in a very simple, understated way. This is something which St Luke's account, which we hear this Sunday, reflects as he describes the extraordinary events in a very matter-of-fact way, without any embellishment or even any great sense of excitement. Certainly this isn't how Hol-lywood would script the coming of the Messiah and may not be how many might have his coming to be like, but its simplicity in fact speaks volumes about Our Lord's mission. Only by becoming poor with the poor, lost with the lost and marginalised with the marginal-ised could he truly claim to share our humanity. Like-wise Mary was chosen as the mother of Our Lord not for her great standing in society but for her humility and willingness to trust the One she loved and served. As we approach our celebration of Christ's coming, may we always seek to imitate his example in our own lives so that we may one day come to share in the divinity of what one who humbled himself to become one with us.  
*Blessings, Fr Anthony*

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## Parish Notices:

**FEAST DAYS IN THE CHRISTMAS OCTAVE:** 26 December: St Stephen, First Martyr; 27 December: Holy Family; 28 December : Holy Innocents; 1 January 2021, Mary, Mother of God.

**CHRISTMAS MASSES:** A sign-up sheet for ministries is on the noticeboard in the foyer of Holy Family Church. Please add your name if you can assist.

**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.

**VISIT TO THE HOUSEBOUND:** an elderly and housebound gentleman who is nearly blind would like someone to visit him to provide company and stimulation. If you can help, please contact Gerard Honiss on 09 407 5476

**MASS AT TŌTARA POINT:** All are invited to Mass at Tōtara Point on Sunday the 10th of January 2021 at 11am, to commemorate the first Mass in Aotearoa New Zealand, which was celebrated on 13 January 1838.

**COLUMBAN CALENDARS.** One calendar is still available for sale for \$12 , Every purchase helps to support the work of Columban Missionaries world-wide as well as 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 Christmas-tide

**FATHER ANTHONY WISHES YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES A HAPPY, HOLY AND SAFE CHRISTMAS, AND AN ENJOYABLE NEW YEAR**

**THIS IS THE FINAL NEWSLETTER FOR 2020. PUBLICATION WILL RE-SUME FOR THE FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME (BEGINNING ON THE 31ST JANUARY 2021. THE JANUARY ROSTER HAS ALREADY BEEN SENT OUT AND A COPY HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE NOTICE BOARD.**

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

*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*

## CHRISTMAS MASS TIMETABLE 2020

### WAITARUKE:

**24th December 11.45 pm Christmas Carols**

**25th December 12.00 am Midnight Mass**

### KERIKERI:

**24th December 6:45pm Christmas Carols**

**24th December 7.00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass**

**25th December 10.15 am Christmas Morning Mass**



### Holy Family Parish Parish Pastoral Council

Administrator: Fr Anthony Trenwith  
Gerard Honiss (Chair), Danielle Hoffmann, Cris Tapia.

### Finance Committee

Father Anthony Trenwith  
Filomena Davies, Bob McKinley,  
Sigit Widodo, Lisa Anderson.

### Sacred Heart Parish Katekita: Pastoral Care

Tana Manuel, Maata Job Rakena,  
Mary Smith, Moana Wood, Aroha Henare

### Finance Committee

Toa Faneva, Debbie McLean  
Margaret Pepper; Ihaka Lenden

**Collections 13 December 2020: Kerikeri: \$ 329.00**

**Waitaruke: \$97.40**

**Thank you for your kind generosity. God bless.**

**Many thanks to all those who were able to maintain their contributions during this difficult year. Your continued financial support 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.