There is nothing so great as the Eucharist. If God had something more precious, He would

have given it to us.

## **St John Vianney** 317 Hillsborough Road, Auckland 1042

**3rd Sunday of Advent Year C** 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024

1st Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18
Psalm 12: Cry out with joy and gladness for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.
2nd Reading: Philippians 4:4-7

Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

### 'Someone is coming who will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire'

When all the people asked John, 'What must we do?' he answered, 'If anyone has two tunics he must share with the man who has none, and the one with something to eat must do the same.' There were tax collectors too who came for baptism, and these said to him, 'Master, what must we do?' He said to them, 'Exact no more than your rate.' Some soldiers asked him in their turn, 'What about us? What must we do?' He said to them, 'No intimidation! No extortion! Be content with your pay!'

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.' As well as this, there were many other things he said to exhort the people and to announce the Good News to them.





**REJOICE IN THE LORD!** A theme of Joy always run through the liturgy of the Third Sunday of Advent. The joy of this day springs from our anticipation and excitement that the Lord's coming is very near. We ask the Lord to remove any sadness from our hearts that may hinder us from embracing the peace and hope which his presence will bestow on us this Christmas.

St Pauls Sunday Missal, pg. 777

## **Mass Time**

9 am & 5:30 pm Sunday: Monday: No Mass Tuesday: 7 pm Wednesday: 7 pm (Reconciliation at 6:30 pm - 6:50 pm) Thursday: No Mass Friday: 10 am 9 am & 5:30 pm Saturday: (Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession: 8:30 am to 8:50 am)

**Fr. Samuel Pulanco** (Parish Priest)

**Rey Grafia** (Office Admin)

Parish Phone: 09 624 3440 Presbytery Phone: 021 654 146 Email: <u>stjvianney@xtra.co.nz</u> Website: stjohnvianney.org.nz Facebook: St John Vianney, Hillsborough Parish Collection last Weekend

7 8 December 2024 Parish Collection: \$ 1,430.00

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Saturday 5:30 pm Roster December 2024				
Date	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers		
30 11	Lester D'Souza, Palmira Fonseca, Gavin Mehrotha,	Jenifa D'Souza, Chantel D'Souza, Sangeeta Sequeira , Hilda Leung		
07 12	Tina Suares, Beverley Mehrotha and Claudia Cachay	Jenifa D'Souza, Chantel D'Souza, Marissa De Leon , Lorraine DSouza		
14 12	Clementine Rodrigues, Clair Barry, Hector DeSouza	Jenifa D'Souza, Chantel D'Souza, Sangeeta Sequeira , Hilda Leung		
21 12	Arca Fernandes, Janice Cruz and Julih Tan	Jenifa D'Souza, Chantel D'Souza, Sangeeta Sequeira , Hilda Leung		
28 11	Volunteer	Volunteer		

#### Sunday 9 am Mass Roster December 2024

Date	Hospitality	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
01 12 Asian Adri		Adrian, Dale and Arlene	Jason, Lilian Fo'ou, Ralph Lautua,
			Anil Mathew
08 12	Couple for Christ	Grace Grey, Bryan Smith	William Naufahu, Tusi Smith, John
		Georgia Cuer	Togafiti, Rosita Ekeroma
15 12	Indian & Sri Lankan	Youth Mass	Maureen Lowe, Lukanne Lowe, Anil
	Community		Mathew, Lucia Saldanha,
22 12	Pacific Community (Tongan,	Patrick Tausie, Alise Sevele	Lilian Fo'ou, Ralph Lautua,
	Fijian, Niuean, Vanuatu etc)	Bertha Wolfgramm	Olivia Pale, Sete Sevele

Date	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
01 12	Holy Angels	Ken D'Souza, Melissa D'Souza, Zach Pinto, Sarah McAlpine
08 12	Family Mass	Ken D'Souza, Melissa D'Souza, Zach Pinto. Ivan D'souza
15 12	Abe Villanueva, Binath Perera, Neil Rondez	Ken D'Souza, Melissa D'Souza, Zach Pinto. Sarah McAlpine
22 12	Diana Gomes, Leonora Fisk, Jesty Chettair	Ken D'Souza, Melissa D'Souza, Zach Pinto. Ivan D'souza

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#### **Christmas Masses Timetable**

Tuesday 24th December:7 pm and 10 pmWednesday 25th December:9 am(Reminder No Mass in the evening on Christmas Day)

Office Close: 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2024 – 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025





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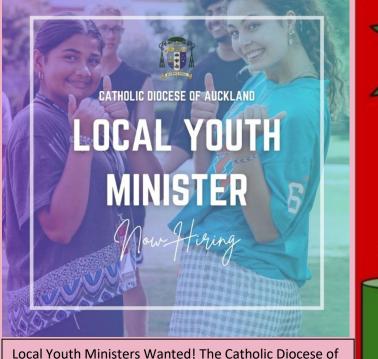
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Local Youth Ministers Wanted! The Catholic Diocese of Auckland is looking for self-motivated leaders to become paid Local Youth Ministers, working across both a secondary school and parish. This is a unique opportunity to make a difference in the lives of young people! To learn more and to apply, please visit: www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/



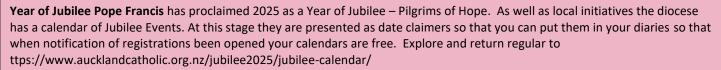
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**CANS FOR CHRISTMAS:** is a Charity that has run for 10 years now - We coordinate Catholic Primary Schools and Colleges to collect canned food items for St Vincent de Paul. During the last 9 years we have collected 160,000 cans and \$10,000 for St Vincent de Paul Society to help those in need. Please join us by donating to our page - This money goes directly to St Vincent de Paul.



**THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL** thanks parishioners for your continued support which helps to make a difference in our local community. Join our team at the Vinnies Op Shop! We need more volunteers - especially on Saturdays. If you're recently retired, new to NZ, or want work experience, we'd love to have you on board. No experience needed - just a heart for service. Donations welcome! Drop off household items at the shop or call us to arrange a collection for larger items. Open: Mon-Sat, 9:00am - 4:30pm. Location: 345 Onehunga Mall, Onehunga. Contact: Wanda at 634-2697 or 021-248-0629.





## Safeguarding:

- Our Chaplaincy/Parish and The Catholic Diocese of Auckland accept some responsibility for what takes place within our premises and are committed to keeping our people safe, especially children, youth, and vulnerable adults.
- It is therefore important that users of our premises behave appropriately and in turn are not subject to exploitation, harassment, or abuse of any kind.
- Any incidents that may occur should be reported to



#### PLEASE HELP BRING CHRISTMAS CHEER TO FAMILIES IN NEED

This Christmas, Monte Cecilia Housing Trust is working to provide Christmas packs for the families we support, and we need your help. We are seeking donations of children's Christmas presents (we prefer if you don't wrap them as it makes it easier for us to work out who best to give them to) and non-perishable food items to create special packs that will bring joy to families living in our housing this holiday season. If you are able to contribute, your donation will go directly to making Christmas a brighter time for families in need. Donations can be dropped off at our main office (30 Windrush Close, Māngere) during office hours (Monday to Thursday, 9am to 5pm, and on Fridays from 9am to 4pm). We welcome your support in any way you can give. If you wish to support us, please deliver your donation by Thursday 5 December.

# **Parish Roll & Planned Giving**

## Welcome to our visitors and

new parishioners. If you would like to be part of the Planned Giving Programme, please feel free to complete this form and place it in the collection basket or leave it at the parish office.

Any questions or comments please contact the office.

## Please indicate:

- O I wish to be listed on the parish roll.
- O I wish to contribute to the parish on a one-off donation (please contact the office for the parish account.
- O I wish to make a bequest to St John Vianney Parish, Hillsborough
- O I wish to use the automatic payment system.
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