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Sunday 17

Saturday 23

## Daily Mass Readings:

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Third Sunday of Advent Year B – 17 December 2023

Is 61:1-2, 10-11; 1 Thess 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28 **Response:** *My soul rejoices in my God.* 

Monday 18Jer 23:5-8;Mt 1:18-24Tuesday 19Judges 13:2-7, 24-25;Lk 1:5-25Wednesday 20Is 7:10-14;Lk 1:26-38Thursday 21Song 2:8-14;Lk 1:39-45Friday 221 Sam 1:24-28;Lk 1:46-56

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24;

Weekday Masses

Tues 9.30m St Patrick's Church Weds 9.30am St Anthony's Church Fri 9.30am Holy Cross Church

#### Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil

5.30pm St Anthony's Church, Seatoun

Sunday

8.30am Holy Cross Church, Miramar 10.30am St Patrick's Church, Kilbirnie

#### **Holy Trinity Parish Vision**

We are a prayerful and diverse Catholic community in the Eastern suburbs of Wellington, drawing strength from one another to grow and become fully alive as missionary disciples.

#### 'THE ONE YOU DO NOT KNOW'

Do you want to know Jesus? Do you want to meet him today? Encounter him in people, accompany them on the road of life, especially the poor, the broken-hearted, the downtrodden and those who are not free. Jesus identifies with them. In them we find Jesus. Then he will no longer remain an unknown, remote person to us. We will then be with Jesus, and Jesus with us.  $\mathcal{Fr} \, \mathcal{B} i \mathcal{U}$ 

# Wishing you all a Happy and Holy Christmas and safe holidays.



This weekend is our last newsletter for the year. It is with a sense of gratitude and thanks to all parishioners that I wish you all the blessings of the Christ child this Christmas. In some ways this year has been the opportunity to see Christ in the midst of challenges and uncertain times but to deepen our personal relationship with him. – Fr Bill

Lk 1:57-66

A big **THANK YOU** to all our wonderful volunteers across the Parish.

We value your contributions, and we couldn't do this without you.

To the Parish Leadership team, the Finance Committee, Liturgy Committee and to all those involved in the various ministries, groups and any other way you give your time to help within our Parish, we thank you very much.



**ANOINTING MASS** – thanks to those parishioners able to attend this on Tuesday morning. The Mass was followed with a lovely shared morning tea in the upstairs foyer.





**RECONCILIATION Sunday 17 December** Fr will be available 4 – 5pm at St Patrick's Kilbirnie

Rita Angus Mass Thursday 21 December 11am in the Movie Room

If your children would like to participate in the Childrens Mass 6pm on Christmas Eve Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December at St Patrick's Church contact Clare Lundon 021 227 8363.



We need parking wardens for the 6pm Childrens Mass – anyone available please contact the parish office. 388 6953 or holytrinity.wgtn@xtra.co.nz

#### Please note:



- This is the last newsletter till February 2024
- The Parish office closes on the 22<sup>nd</sup> December and opens again on the 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024
- The St Patrick's Parish Hall will be closed from Boxing Day to beginning of February 2024

**Parish Leadership Team update – Time and Talent survey**. Following our strategic plan for the parish, one of the goals has been that we take the opportunity to ensure that everyone in the parish community help achieve the vision and the values. Every small contribution helps and is greatly appreciated. To this end we invite parishioners to take time to fill in a Time Treasure and Talent survey during Advent. **Link to online form here**.

### SMALL FUNDRAISER TO HELP SUPPORT COMPASSION SOUP KITCHEN:

<u>There are four items in the raffle</u> <u>1</u>. I have just completed making a baby jacket that will fit a child 18 months old – 3 years of age. <u>2</u>. six baby bibs were made by Hazel Kingston and given for the raffle. <u>3</u>. from donated wool, Frances Dwyer has crocheted and made a wonderful blanket . <u>4</u>. two vouchers kindly donated by Vietnameezy in Kilbirnie.

Tickets are \$2 - THIS IS THE LAST WEEKEND TO PURCHASE TICKETS!!

All proceeds will be passed on the Soup Kitchen - Fr Bill.

Buy a book for Christmas for a child in woman's refuge. There's a christmas tree in the children's bookshop in the plaza in Kilbirnie. The staff will help you choose a book and put it under the tree for you. *Till 20th December 2023*. Contact Patricia O'Donnell for more information 934 3179



**Carol singing on Christmas Eve in Wellington Hospital**. If you are able to join us please come to the Hospital Atrium at 6.45pm on Christmas Eve for an hour and half approx.

Masses have been offered for Nina Degregorio (anniv), Mary Mahon RIP, Maureen Carroll RIP, Laurie and Leonie Warwick, Maryanne Barry (anniv),

Let us pray for all those who are unwell especially, *Archbishop Novatus Rugambwa*, *Fr Kevin Purcell*, *Fr Denis Collins*, *L Paese*, *J Hunt*, *W Stevenson*, *W Quirke*, *E Wilkins*, *and M Mercado*. And we pray for the wonderful people who are caring for the everyday needs of the sick in our Community.

We also pray for the members of our Parish families who have died recently especially L Warwick and those whose anniversaries occur around this time including O Begley and S O'Rourke.

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Prayers of	the Faithful: J Pa	pesch	Counter	rs: Fh	lutton & M O'Sullivan	
		St A	nthony's Ch	urch, Seat	toun	
<u>Time</u>	Host / Welcomers	Altar Servers	Proclaimers of the Word	<u>Offertory</u>	Special Ministers	
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<u>Time</u>	Host / Welcomers	Altar Servers	Proclaimers of the Word	Offertory	Special Ministers	Commentary
10.30am	M Attard		M Beamish TA Va'aua	Virtue Family	D Hyland F Uhatafe F Va'aua M Falana'i-Andrews B Dodson	C Stipkovits

Those who will be involved in the Christmas Mass Rosters will be contacted.

The next roster will be February 2024.
If you normally perform Liturgical Ministries, please take turns over the holiday period

ChristmasMass Times

St Patrick's Church, Kilbirnie

Christmas Eve 6pm Family Mass

Anna Service

St Anthony's Church, Seatoun

Christmas Eve 10pm Mass (hymns from 9.40pm)



AND STORY

