

MASS	LEADER	READER	MINISTERS OF COMMUNION
7.00pm	M del Rosario	C Dowd	T Moore M Rainbow
7.00am	M Turnwald	F Ah Ken	I & J Van Loon
9.00 am	I Bieshaar	M D'Souza	E & A Jariel, N & L Lockington, W Aalbers, M & A McKeown, T Malone
10.30am	<b>S A M O A N</b>		
7.00pm	S Rainbow	S Kennedy	M Netto D Sutton

Cleaning Roster:  
12<sup>th</sup> Dec 2009 – P & R Duffy

Children's Liturgy Roster:  
No Children's Liturgy until Term 1 2010

### Scripture Readings during the week: (Psalter Week 3)

Monday: *St John of the Cross* Num 24:2-7, 15-17; Mt 21:23-27  
 Tuesday: Zeph 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32  
 Wednesday: Is 45:6-8, 18, 21-25; Lk 7:18-23  
 Thursday: Gen 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17  
 Friday: Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-24  
 Saturday: Judges 13:2-7, 24-25; Lk 1:5-25



### Weekday Mass Schedule:

9am - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday  
 9am and 7.30pm – Wednesday  
 8am and 7pm(Vigil Mass) – Saturday

### Reconciliation Schedule:

Wednesday 6.30-7pm  
 Saturday 11.30am-12.30pm, 6-6.30pm  
 Also by appointment, phone Friary 838-8663

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** each Wednesday, Vocation to the Capuchin Order: 6.30-7.30am in the Friary Chapel, Lavelle Rd, concluding with Morning Prayer of the Church.

Thursday: 9.30am - 2pm in the Friary Chapel, Lavelle Rd. All Parishioners are invited to share in these hours of prayer and adoration for their own needs, those of their family and for all the needs of our parish.

### Divine Mercy Chaplet

8.25am – Tuesday

### Rosary

8.40 am – Monday to Friday  
 6.50 pm – Wednesday  
 7.40 am – Saturday  
**Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help** 7.10pm – Wednesday

### Next Sunday: 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 2009 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

Masses are: Sat – 7pm, Sun – 7am, 9am, 10.30am, 7pm

**Readings: Micah 5:1-4; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-44**

**House for Rent:** Sunnyvale/Glendene area. Large, modern 4 bedroom house, 2 bathrooms & rumpus. Good location for park, public transport, Church & other amenities. Long term tenants with references preferred. Ph 817-2322 or 021-2382455.

## HOLY CROSS PARISH Served by the Capuchin Community

Parish Priest: Fr Paul Helsham, OFM Cap  
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 Fr Venantius Sitohang OFM Cap  
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*Sunday: 13<sup>th</sup> December 2009 - Third Sunday of Advent*



*Readings: Zeph 3:14-18; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18*

**Responsorial Psalm: Is 22 (Psalm to be said by congregation alternately – reader's side first followed by the Priest's side)**

### Readers Side:

Truly, God is my salvation,  
 I trust, I shall not fear.  
 For the Lord is my strength, my song,  
 he became my saviour.  
 With joy you will draw water  
 from the wells of salvation.

### Priests Side:

Give thanks to the Lord, give praise  
 to his name!

make his mighty deeds known to the peoples!

Declare the greatness of his name.

### Readers Side:

Sing a psalm to the Lord  
 for he has done glorious deeds,  
 make them known to all the earth!  
 People of Zion, sign and shout for joy  
 for great in your midst is the Holy  
 One of Israel.

## UNBOUNDED JOY

*The victorious Lord is already in our midst, rejoicing with gladness and dancing with delight! Jesus revels in his birth among us through his Mother Mary. He glories in becoming one of us. He welcomes our response to the good news proclaimed by John the Baptist: baptism with water and baptism with the Holy Spirit and fire. This bath gives us a safe place with God's people. The*

Lord comes – Emmanuel, Wisdom, Might, Lord, Root of Jesse, Key of David, Dayspring, Desire of Nations, O happy time!  
(Reprinted from Today's Liturgy- Year C)



## COMMUNION REFLECTION

*Joy*

There is a clear note of joy in today's liturgy.  
Joy is a blend of laughter and tears.  
It consists in having a love affair with life.  
It is having a heart aglow with warmth  
for all one's companions on the road of life.  
It is looking for the happiness that comes in small packages,  
knowing that big packages are few and far between.  
It is making the most of the present,  
enjoying what is at hand right now.  
Joy is love bubbling over into life.  
And it can coexist with pain.  
Joy is the flag we fly when Christ, the Prince of Peace,  
has taken up residence in our hearts.



*New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies – Year C*

**CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE.** Congratulations to the winners for the Christmas hamper raffle – 1<sup>st</sup> prize: Michael Barclay; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Marelen Yap; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – Teresa Malone. Thank you to all those who bought tickets. All proceeds were passed on to the Church Rebuilding Fund.

ST Vincent de Paul Society requires white ware in good working condition. Final furniture pick up and delivery for the year will be on 19<sup>th</sup> December. Please ring Marion Sutcliffe on 8323108 if you can help. Thank you!

Headlines from the December 13 - 19, 2009 issue of NZ Catholic: *Bishops fight FPA abortion licensing; Church schools might add "Catholic" to their names; Tongan ordained for Auckland; Parish puts bare land to work ; Funds raised for piano used to train opera stars; Editorial: Bishops must choose the right battles; No apology sufficient for abuse, say bishops; New Easter trade battle looms.*

NZ Catholic available in the Church foyer - \$3 each.



**GIFTING SUNDAY** is on 20<sup>th</sup> of December. Please remember to bring something for the elderly during this Christmas season.

### St Vincent de Paul collection will be taken up after mass next weekend CHRISTMAS PARISH RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Helensville Parish	7.30pm
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Henderson Parish	7.30pm
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Huapai Parish	7.30pm
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Avondale Parish	7.30pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Glen Eden Parish	7.30pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Te Atatu Parish	7.30pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Massey Parish	7.30pm
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Pt Chevalier Parish	7.30pm

**FLI End of Year Sale:** 25% off all Christmas items, 20% off all rosaries and lots of other specials. One day Sale – 19<sup>th</sup> Dec from 10am-2pm at our Papatoetoe store, 98 Wallace Rd, Papatoetoe. All proceeds go towards the support of the Pro-Life educational work and Crisis Pregnancy Centre in Papatoetoe of Family Life.

**Certificate in Spiritual Formation** (Year 1 of Walk By Faith). Want to deepen your faith and relationship with Jesus, the Scriptures and Church teaching? Enrolments open for 2010. For more information contact Diocesan Co-ordinator, Jovita Parker 09 360 3028 email [jovitap@cda.org.nz](mailto:jovitap@cda.org.nz) or visit our website [www.credo.org.nz](http://www.credo.org.nz)

**Special Thanks** go out to the Transport Assets Team at Waitakere City Council who organised a fundraising lunch towards the rebuilding of our Church. As part of the festive season, they donated \$291.00 towards this good cause.

### CHRISTMAS 2009 CELEBRATIONS TIME TABLE

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December

7pm: Vigil Mass for Children and Families of the Parish

10.30pm – 11.15pm: Carols

11.15pm – Midnight: Carol Service

12 Midnight: Blessing of the Crib and Midnight Mass



**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Day**

Masses will be at 7am, 9am and 10.30am