



Eastern Bays
Catholic

Mother of Perpetual Help & St Ignatius Parishes



Parishes of Mother of Perpetual Help and St Ignatius

30th Week of Ordinary Time

Sat 26th and
Sun 27th October
2024

Gospel
Mark 10:46-52



In the final verse of today's Gospel, Jesus names *faith* as what impels Bartimaeus. The rest of the story shows us what that faith is. Bartimaeus's faith is his unrelenting conviction that Jesus can and will rescue him from his need. We see this faith in what Bartimaeus *does*:

He grasps who Jesus is. The title Bartimaeus uses, *Son of David*, introduces the notion of Jesus as a royal figure, an image that becomes very important when Jesus enters Jerusalem, goes on trial, and dies as a king. Bartimaeus, despite his blindness and all its connotations of spiritual ignorance, sees the royal dimensions of Jesus' identity.

He persists despite hindrances. Others in the crowd rebuke Bartimaeus, demanding he be silent. Bartimaeus knows better, and so he yells "even more loudly" until his words penetrate Jesus' ears.

He expects a transformation. Bartimaeus tosses aside his cloak. Obviously he expects to regain his sight, for a blind beggar would ordinarily do well to keep his possessions close at hand. He obviously expects a change in his status.

He asks for the right thing. When Jesus asks Bartimaeus, "What do you want me to do for you?," his reply is simple voiced with the confidence that Jesus can deliver. "That I would see again," declares resolutely that Jesus can bring the wholeness and deliverance that people seek.

Bartimaeus' blindness was not just physical. It was also spiritual. Once he received healing and his eyes were opened, he knew that he wanted to follow Jesus.

It must be summer...

St Ignatius Sunday Sausage Sizzle is back!

We are happy to advise that the first Sunday Sausage Sizzle will be next Sunday 3 November after 9.00am Mass. Bring your \$2.00 coins! Hot cuppa, BBQ sausage (in bread of course!), and the fellowship of our parish community
Come join us!

Save the Date...

Parish Working Bee Sunday 17 November, 3-5pm

The Parish Council has set the above date for the Working Bee to commence the refresh of the St Ignatius Parish Centre.

More details of list of jobs and what to bring to follow.
After the working bee there will be a glass of wine and a sausage sizzle.

DONATE A CHRISTMAS GROCERY HAMPER

The Christmas season is fast approaching and we have begun planning for our annual Christmas Hamper project.

We are targeting **300+ hampers** to Te Waipuna/Sisters of Mercy, Glenbrae Primary School, and many other local families in need.



Amount raised so far - \$10,100.00 which equals 101 hampers

We are using the same website and process that we used for the recent Quiz night tickets. This time the tickets reflect a full hamper (\$100) or half a hamper (\$50). Once you complete the purchase you will be issued with a tax receipt. You can select to donate as much as you would like and can afford. Stats will be published each week.

Visit our website www.easternbayscatholic.org.nz or use the QR code

CHRISTMAS GROCERY HAMPER – SAVE THE DATE – 1 DECEMBER

Hampers will be packed after Mass on Sunday 1 December. Please contact andrea.wright.nz@gmail.com if you wish to volunteer to be part of one of the set up teams

EVERYBODY EATS

is a Charity in Glen Innes (<https://everybodyeats.nz/our-restaurants>) providing affordable meals and a place for the community to socialise while reducing food waste. To date, the Parish has organised volunteering in the restaurant which has involved teenagers. We have had several adult parishioners enquiring about volunteering collectively. We would like to organise this. If you would like to learn more, please let me know and we will arrange options with Everybody Eats.

Please email: danielhughes9876@msn.com/title Everybody Eats

WINE AND CHEESE FUNCTION

**Next Saturday 3 November
after 5.15pm Mass
St Ignatius Parish Centre
All welcome!
Organisers: Julia and Stephen Coles**

**2025 COLUMBAN CALENDARS
ON SALE**

Columban Calendars available for purchase in the St Ignatius Church foyer this weekend

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas is fast approaching and we can now confirm the times and location of our Christmas Masses as follows:

Christmas Eve	5.00pm - Sacred Heart College Auditorium
Christmas Eve	9.00pm - Sacred Heart College Chapel
Christmas Day	9.00am - St Ignatius Parish

Solemnity of All Saints Day

Mass will be celebrated by Fr Doan at MOPH on Friday 1st November at 9.00am. You may add the names of the deceased for whom you wish to pray for in the box (marked with a cross) on the table in the entryway.

All Souls Day

Mass will be celebrated at MOPH on Saturday 2nd November at 9.00am.

Mass at Mother of Perpetual Help – Saturday at 9.00am

Father Doan is celebrating Mass each Saturday at 9.00am for those who would like to join him. Thank you.

MPH are seeking a volunteer for Adoration roster on Thursdays between 10am and 12noon. Please contact the office if you are able to assist.

Mother of Perpetual Help

Every Thursday -Rosary at 8.30am
Novena Prayers to Mother of Perpetual Help
for all intentions
Followed by Mass and Adoration
If you can help during the day, please text
Delreen 021 0231 1320

Rosary Group – Fridays 3.30pm at MOPH

Card Group

St Ignatius Parish Centre every
Wednesday at 1.00pm-4.00pm in the Foyer
All welcome!
For info please phone Bob on 021 237 7858
E: glen.bob01@gmail.com

ST IGNATIUS BAPTISM COURSE 2025

The next Baptism Course at St Ignatius will be held on 13th, 20th, 27th February, 7.30pm – 9.00pm. Presentation at Mass will be Sunday 23rd February and Baptism Ceremony Sunday 9th March. If you would like more information on registering for this course, please email office@easternbayscatholic.org.nz

A SPECTACULAR CONCERT – 7pm, SATURDAY 16 NOVEMBER

Join us at St Michael's Catholic Church for a memorable evening.
Hosted by James Ioelu, Bass Baritone, with Special Guest Edward Laurenson, Operatic Baritone, and musician friends.

Prices \$60 to \$95, includes intermission refreshments.

Buy tickets at trybooking.com. Proceeds to support the Kiri Te Kanawa Foundation.

Candlelight Vigil for the Unborn

You are invited to attend this Vigil on Sunday 3 November at 7.30pm at Potter's Park, Corner Dominion and Balmoral Roads, Balmoral organized by Family Life International.

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK – 2nd and 3rd November

Mother of Perpetual Help 10.30am

Greeter	Mary Thornton
Readers	Fiona Wilson and Louise Morton
Euch Minister	Sam Wimsett
PowerPoint & Musicians	Filipino Community
Grace Joel	Heather Hart
POTF	Br Frank Blewman
Church Cleaning	Rose and Anthony Balazo
Altar Linen	Karen Rassie

St Ignatius Parish 5.15pm

St Ignatius Parish 9.00am

Greeter	Shona and Graeme Cosgrove	TBA
Altar Server	Paul Lynex	Thivein and Akien Fernando Pulle
Commentator	Angela Wilkin	TBA
Data Projector	Natalie Quirke	Rosh Fernando Pulle
Readers	Claire Ryan and Joy Regan	TBA
Euch Minister	Colin Davis	Matthew Mortell & Mikaela Tuipulotu
Collectors	Shona and Graeme Cosgrove	Ben Dallimore and Helen Partington
Counters	---	Bob O'Connor and Mike Flanagan
Morning Tea	---	Marianne Traber and Tonia Mortell
Linen	---	Dinali Perera

MASS TIMES

Please refer to the parish website - www.easternbayscatholic.org.nz

Safeguarding

Please refer to the parish website

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Sacramental Programme

For Adults (RCIA) and Children (RCIC)

Please contact Gina at sacraments@easternbayscatholic.org.nz

Pastoral Care and Assistance

Is available for you and your family in times of need

Please contact either Parish Office

MPH 575 9296

St Ignatius 575 5227

Parishioner Registration



If you are an existing parishioner at Mother of Perpetual Help or at St Ignatius or wish to join our faith community, please refer to our website or use the QR code to the left to register www.easternbayscatholic.org.nz

ST IGNATIUS PARISH

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Parish Priest: Fr John Dunn

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH

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Parish Administrator: Fr Austin Fernandes