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Every Saturday at 11:00am Contact Fr. Mario Dorado.

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REFLECTION

In the gospel parable, the master of the house goes abroad, leaving his servants in charge, "each with his own work." Jesus uses parables for many reasons throughout the gospels, but primarily to help his listeners to understand the mystery of the kingdom of God. Today's parable is the final one Jesus gives in the Gospel of Mark. Intent on preparing his closest friends with what is to come, Jesus explains the parable's meaning as a way to urge watchfulness in his followers, even when it seems like the master of the house is delayed in returning, or indeed might never be coming back at all.

Nearly two thousand years later we are still waiting for the time that has been promised, when Jesus will return in glory and the kingdom of God will be established in its fullness. It is not easy to wait – just ask an expectant couple two weeks away from their due date, or a five-year-old wondering why Christmas isn't here yet. It is even harder to wait, though, when we do not know the timeline for when our expectations will be fulfilled.

Though it is of unknown duration, we are not left to our own devices in this time of waiting. Instead, we've been given the gift of work. We find ourselves as part of an unbroken chain stretching from the friends of Jesus, who heard these words directly from his lips, to now. It is our turn in history to



carry out Jesus' commandment to be watchful and alert, and to attend to the work that is ours to do. In this way, through the grace of God, may the kingdom of God continue to grow until the moment when it reaches its fulfillment and the Master of the house returns home.

Living Liturgy 2021



FROM OUR PARISH

THE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2021 has been finalised and registration forms are available in the church foyer, on the parish website https://blockhousebaycatholic.org.nz/sacraments/sacramental-programme and at the main office of St. Dominics Primary School. Registration forms can be emailed to stdomssacprogram@gmail.com. For further information, please contact Bradley Pinto on 0223629592.

RCIA & RCIC: On Sunday 6th December 2020 at the 9:30 am Mass our RCIA and RCIC candidates will receive their sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion). This year we have 8 adults and 9 children who will be receiving these sacraments. We ask you to pray for our candidates who have been through this journey to build their faith and grow in the knowledge of Christ. Mass will be followed by morning tea. We invite you to join in this celebration to welcome the new members of our community. Please bring a plate to share.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS: Support the Columban Fathers with their missionary work by purchasing a calendar @ \$12 ea.

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

In preparation for Christmas the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held at the following churches:

St Dominic's, Blockhouse Bay, on Wednesday 9 December at 7.30pm Our Lady of Lourdes, Glen Eden, on Thursday 10 December at 7.30pm Immaculate Heart of Mary, Avondale, Wednesday 16 December at 7.30pm

SATURDAY NIGHT MUSIC GROUP: Practice will be on Friday, 11 December at 7pm for the Masses on Saturday the 12th and Thursday the 24th (Christmas Eve Vigil Mass). Both of those Masses will start at 6pm.

BHB CHRISTMAS PARADE: Takes place on 6 December.

CHRISTMAS PARTY IN THE PARK: To be held on 13 December.

LITURGY MINISTERS: December roster available in church porch. Also posted on parish website under 'Groups'.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

16-24 December: Christmas Novena 5:00 a.m.

Thursday 24th: Vigil Mass 6:00 p.m.

Thursday 24th: Carols 10:00 p.m. followed by Mass 11:00 p.m.

Friday, Christmas Day: 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.

MONTE CECILIA CHRISTMAS APPEAL: This year we need your help and support for our homeless families. There are 1,410 children in our care who have been exposed to homelessness, living in cars and no place to call home. We have a tradition of providing a gift for every child so they may experience a little Christmas joy. Are you able you donate a gift/gifts so we can be sure none of them go without? We also need the usual donations of canned food, breakfast cereals, and maybe the odd small Christmas treat such as cake, tarts and sweets. Donations can be dropped off to the church after Mass on Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th December. If you can help, please contact Anne: 027 448 8348 or Nila: 021 181 7561.

FROM OUR DIOCESE

NZPRAY2DAY - An app that encourages people to seek a moment to reflect, pray and respond to the ancient Christian cycle of seasons, saints and readings. Available from Apple's app store or the Google play store; search for NZpray2day. This is a free gift for you from Te Kupenga – the Catholic Leadership Institute.

PREPARE HIM ROOM: A journey through Advent with the Missionaries of God's Love. A free digital resource designed for your use will be provided each Sunday of Advent. Starting 26th November 2020 at 7pm. Sessions will be run via Google Meet. To register call Betsy Rego. M:021 165 3856.

TODAY, THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, sees the new liturgical year and the launch of the Diocesan Mission Map – the framework for how we are Church together into the future. This is accompanied by the launch of a refreshed diocesan website same address https:// www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/ Bishop Pat invites you to explore it. You will also find a message from him and Bishop Michael regarding the Mission Map on the site.

MORE NEWS

Pre-Dawn Candlelit Mass RORATE CAELI the Expectation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. 5:00a.m. | 12th December. St. Paul's College Chapel, 183 Richmond Rd, Ponsonby. Flver on notice board.

NZ CATHOLIC 29 Nov—12 Dec. Some headlines are: Delight as Timaru basilica reopens. Palmerston North diocese in "really good stead" for 2021. Troubled lay movements need outside oversight. Schools collect thousands of cans for Christmas.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION & MASS on Friday, 4th December 7:00pm St Mary's Church, 20 Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert. All Welcome.

G.I.F.T. Christmas Mass Sunday 6th December, 4pm at Good Shepherd Church, Balmoral. An invitation to all Catholics with disabilities, their families and support workers. A light meal is provided after Mass in the G.I.F.T. Centre. Everyone is most welcome. Ph: 629 0445.

Please remember the following in prayer:

For the Sick: Margaret Rasch, June Parr, Ofa Brown, Mavis Urlich, Brenda Tweedale, Christina Woolard, Rosemary McLaughlin, Paulina Unkovich, Margaret Baptista, Theresa Furdas, Helena Podwin, Ineke Merkens, Sr. Dominic OP, Kath Conway.

Recently Deceased: Lynette Tuttle, David Mu, Don Matthews, Luming Dorado, Vernon Stowers, Fr. Luke Rawlings OP, Denise McNichol.

Anniversaries of Death: Matthew Foskin.

Please call the office if you need to place a name on this list.

29th November 2020

1st Sunday of Advent

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

1st Reading: Isa 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7 Psalm: 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

2nd Reading: 1Cor 1:3-9 Gospel: Mark 13:33-37



NEXT SUNDAY 2nd Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Isa 40:1-5, 9-11 Psalm: 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 2nd Reading: 2Pet 3:8-14 Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

SATURDAY 6.00pm

Altar servers: Ashton S, Ethan M, Christopher D, Jordis P, Danil C.

Sherwin Borges Commentator

1st Reading 2nd Reading

Kendall D'Souza Reggis Rego

Ministers of Communion

Caroline D'Souza

Music Ministry Trinity Choir Co-ordinator Projectionist

Chief Collector Sandeep Gregory Goretti Sheppard Christopher Dalgado

SUNDAY 9.30am

Altar servers: Brower P, Anahera B, Ethan D, Kaynaan P, Breanna P.

Commentator Irae Pule

1st Reading 2nd Reading Reena Edwin **Donald Holder**

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