



# Holy Family Parish

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)  
Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2020

## FIRST READING : Ecclesiasticus 15:16-21

If you wish, you can keep the commandments, to behave faithfully is within your power. He has set fire and water before you; put out your hand to whichever you prefer. Man has life and death before him; whichever a man likes better will be given him. For vast is the wisdom of the Lord; he is almighty and all-seeing. His eyes are on those who fear him, he notes every action of man. He never commanded anyone to be godless, he has given no one permission to sin.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 118: 1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34

℟. *They are happy who follow God's law!*

*They are happy whose life is blameless, who follow God's law! They are happy those who do his will seeking him with all their hearts. ℟.*

*You have laid down your precepts to be obeyed with care. May my footsteps be firm to obey your statutes. ℟.*

*Bless your servant and I shall live and obey your word. Open my eyes that I may consider the wonders of your law. ℟.*

*Teach me the demands of your statutes and I will keep them to the end. Train me to observe your law, to keep it with my heart. ℟.*

## SECOND READING : 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

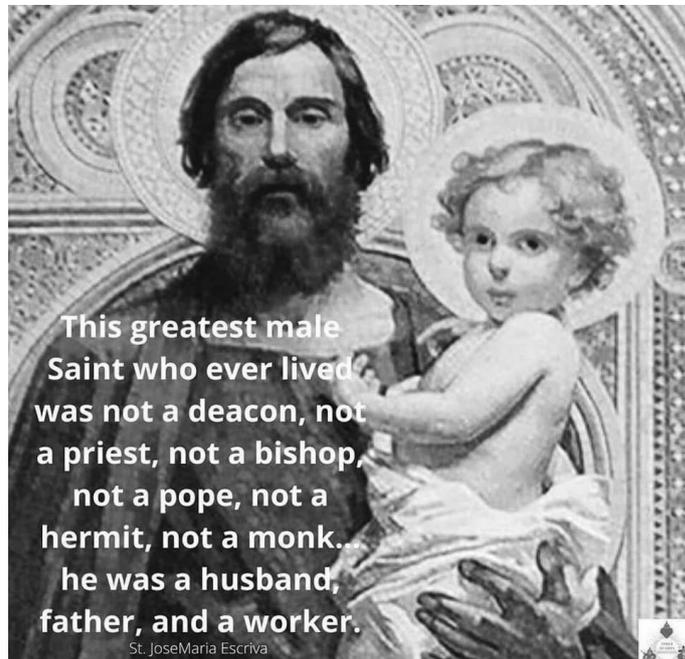
We have a wisdom to offer those who have reached maturity: not a philosophy of our age, it is true, still less of the masters of our age, which are coming to their end. The hidden wisdom of God which we teach in our mysteries is the wisdom that God predestined to be for our glory before the ages began. It is a wisdom that none of the masters of this age have ever known, or they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory; we teach what scripture calls: *the things that no eye has seen and no ear has heard, things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him.* These are the very things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depths of everything, even the depths of God.

## GOSPEL : Matthew 5:17-37

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not imagine that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish but to complete them. I tell you solemnly, till heaven and earth disappear, not one dot, not one little stroke, shall disappear from the Law until its purpose is achieved. Therefore, the man who infringes even one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be considered the least in the kingdom of heaven; but the man who keeps them and teaches them will be considered great in the kingdom of heaven. 'For I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven. 'You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: *You must not kill*; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court; if a man calls his brother "Fool" he will answer for it before the Sanhedrin; and if a man calls him "Renegade" he will answer for it in hell fire. So then, if you are bringing your offering to the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar, go and be reconciled with your brother first, and then come back and present your offering. Come to terms with your opponent in good time while you are still on the way to the court with him, or he may hand you over to the judge and the judge to the officer, and you will be thrown into prison. I tell you solemnly, you will not get out till you have paid the last penny. 'You have learnt how it was said: *You must not commit adultery.* But I say this to you: if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye should cause you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body thrown into hell. And if your right hand should cause you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body go to hell. 'It has also been said: *Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a writ of dismissal.* But I say this to you: everyone who divorces his wife, except for the case of fornication, makes her an adulteress; and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery. 'Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: *You must not break your oath, but must fulfil your oaths to the Lord.* But I say this to you: do not swear at all, either by heaven, since that is God's throne; or by the earth, since that is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, since that is the city of the great king. Do not swear by your own head either, since you cannot turn a single hair white or black. All you need say is "Yes" if you mean yes, "No" if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the evil one.'

'FOR THE NEXT GREAT HERESY IS GOING TO BE SIMPLY AN ATTACK ON MORALITY; AND ESPECIALLY ON SEXUAL MORALITY. AND IT IS COMING, NOT FROM A FEW SOCIALISTS SURVIVING FROM THE FABIAN SOCIETY, BUT FROM THE LIVING EXULTANT ENERGY OF THE RICH RESOLVED TO ENJOY THEMSELVES AT LAST, WITH NEITHER POPYRY NOR PURITANISM NOR SOCIALISM TO HOLD THEM BACK....THE MADNESS OF TOMORROW IS NOT IN MOSCOW, BUT MUCH MORE IN MANHATTAN.'

G.K. CHESTERTON: 'THE NEXT HERESY,' IN G.K.'S WEEKLY, JUNE 19, 1926.



This greatest male Saint who ever lived was not a deacon, not a priest, not a bishop, not a pope, not a hermit, not a monk. he was a husband, father, and a worker.

St. Jose Maria Escriva

Remember: The sinner who is sorry for his sins, is closer to God than the just man who boasts of his good works.

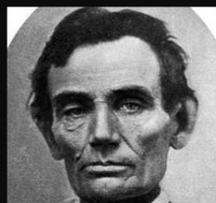
- St. Padre Pio -

Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

2 CORINTHIANS 10:5 (KJV)

"The Church is a hospital, and not a courtroom, for souls. She does not condemn on behalf of sins, but grants remission of sins."

- St John Chrysostom -



Nations do not die from invasion; they die from internal rotteness.

~ Abraham Lincoln

"IF YOU BELIEVE WHAT YOU LIKE IN THE GOSPELS, AND REJECT WHAT YOU DON'T LIKE, IT IS NOT THE GOSPEL YOU BELIEVE, BUT YOURSELF."

-ST. AUGUSTINE

DON'T ALLOW A PERSON WHO DOESN'T FOLLOW GOD MAKE YOU FEEL BAD FOR DOING WHAT'S RIGHT IN GOD'S EYES

@FAITHONPURPOSE

"HE WHO RUNS AWAY FROM ONE CROSS, WILL MEET A BIGGER ONE ON HIS ROAD."

-ST. PHILIP NERI

"GLADLY ENDURE WHATEVER GOES AGAINST YOU AND DO NOT LET GOOD FORTUNE CARRY YOU AWAY; FOR THIS CAN DESTROY FAITH."

-ST. CLARE OF ASSISI

"NEVER CONFUSE YOUR MISTAKES WITH YOUR VALUE AS A HUMAN BEING."

-ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

"BE CONTENT TO PROGRESS IN SLOW STEPS UNTIL YOU HAVE LEGS TO RUN AND WINGS WITH WHICH TO FLY."

-PADRE PIO

"THE GATE OF HEAVEN IS VERY LOW; ONLY THE HUMBLE CAN ENTER IT."

-ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

"IF THE FERVOR OF FAITH IN OUR HEART IS NOT KEPT ALIGHT, THEN OUR APATHY MAY ENTIRELY EXTINGUISH OUR FAITH."

-ST. JOHN OF KRONSTADT

"THE GIFT OF FORTITUDE MAKES US PERSEVERE IN HOLINESS. IT GIVES US THE STRENGTH TO FORGE AHEAD IN THE FACE OF OPPOSITION AND WEAKNESS. IT GIVES US SUPERNATURAL ENDURANCE, A SPIRITUAL DARING."

-MOTHER ANGELICA

"LOVE OUR LADY AND SHE WILL OBTAIN ABUNDANT GRACE TO HELP YOU CONQUER IN YOUR DAILY STRUGGLE."

-ST. JOSEMARÍA ESCRIVÁ

"HOW CAN THERE BE TOO MANY CHILDREN? THAT IS LIKE SAYING THERE ARE TOO MANY FLOWERS."

-ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA

"AS LONG AS FAITH GIVES ME STRENGTH, I WILL ALWAYS BE JOYFUL."

-BL. PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI

"I AM DETERMINED TO BE A VIOLET OF HUMILITY, A ROSE OF CHARITY AND A LILY OF PURITY FOR JESUS."

-BL. MARIE-CÉLINE

"GOD IS ALWAYS TRYING TO GIVE GOOD THINGS TO US, BUT OUR HANDS ARE TOO FULL TO RECEIVE THEM."

-ST. AUGUSTINE

"DO NOT LOSE COURAGE IN CONSIDERING YOUR OWN IMPERFECTIONS."

-ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

"THEREFORE, THAT SHINING LIGHT OF WHICH HAS BEEN LIT FOR OUR SALVATION MUST ALWAYS SHINE IN US."

-ST. CHROMATIUS

"HE WHO RUNS AWAY FROM ONE CROSS, WILL MEET A BIGGER ONE ON HIS ROAD."

-ST. PHILIP NERI

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"THE FOOL SAYS  
IN HIS HEART,  
'THERE IS NO  
GOD.'"

PSALM 14:1

**"Obedience does not mean the execution of orders that are given by a drill sergeant. It springs, rather, from the love of an order and love of Him who gave it."**

**~ Archbishop Fulton Sheen**

**"If my own eternal salvation were conditioned upon saving the soul of one self-wise man who prided himself on his learning, or one hundred of the most morally corrupt men and women of the streets, I should choose the easier task of converting the hundred. Nothing is more difficult to conquer in all the world than intellectual pride. If battleships could be lined with it instead of with armour, no shell could ever pierce them."**

**~ Archbishop Fulton Sheen**

All Are Welcome

Bishop-elect Michael Gielen's  
Ordination

Saturday 7 March.

TIME: 11.00 am (not 11.30 am)

VENUE: Vodafone Events Centre,  
770 Great South Road, Wiri,

Entrance through Gates 2 and 3.



**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:**

Gather, Lord, Your people,  
called to be Your Bride,  
formed by Blood and Water  
flowing from Your side,  
joined with You in baptism,  
washed to give rebirth,  
she filled with Your Spirit,  
shall renew the earth.

You the one true Shepherd,  
searching for the lost,  
You the Lamb of offering,  
counting not the cost,  
You have called each one by name,  
each Your precious choice,  
May we enter by Your gate,  
listening to your voice.

At Your mother's pleading,  
You gave finest wine,  
Now Your Church implores You,  
Jesus fruitful vine.  
Heed the thirsting of her heart,  
and bring forth a flood,  
Open wide the fountain  
of Your Precious Blood.

Send Your Holy Spirit,  
by that Blood outpoured,  
making us one Body,  
Temple of the Lord.  
With Your sev'n fold gifts descend,  
font of Charity, that we may cry  
"Abba", and true children be.

**OFFERTORY HYMN:**

All highest glorious God,  
Cast Your light into  
the darkness of my heart,  
Give me right faith, firm hope,  
perfect charity, and profound  
humility,  
with wisdom and perception,  
O Lord, that I may do  
what is truly Your will.

**COMMUNION HYMN:**

Crown Him with many crowns,  
the Lamb upon His throne;  
Hark! how the heavenly anthem  
drowns all music but it's own:  
Awake, my soul, and sing  
Of him who died for thee,  
And hail Him as thy matchless King  
through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love,  
behold His hands and side,  
Those wounds, yet visible  
above in beauty glorified.  
No angel in the sky can fully  
bear that sight, But downward  
bends his burning eye at mysteries  
so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of Heaven,  
enthroned in worlds above,  
Crown Him the King to Whom  
is given the wondrous name of Love.  
Crown Him with many crowns,  
as thrones before Him fall;  
Crown Him, ye kings, with many  
crowns, for He is King of all.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:**

Hail, Queen of heav'n, the ocean star,  
Guide of the wand'rer here below;  
Thrown on life's surge,  
we claim thy care:  
Save us from peril and from woe  
Mother of Christ, star of the sea.  
Pray for the wand'rer, pray for me.

O gentle, chaste, and spotless maid,  
We sinners make our prayers  
through thee; Remind thy son that he  
has paid The price of our iniquity.  
Virgin most pure, start of the sea,  
Prayer for the sinner, pray for me.

Sojourners in this vale of tears,  
To thee, blest advocate, we cry:  
Pity our sorrows, calm our fears,  
And soothe with hope our misery.  
Refuge in grief, star of the sea,  
Pray for the mourner, pray for me.

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

Mass times

**Wednesday**

**26<sup>th</sup>February**

9am & 7pm

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

during Lent

starts

**Friday**

**28<sup>th</sup>February**

at 7pm



**OLD PALMS:** Please drop  
your old palm crosses to the  
office by **Friday 21<sup>st</sup>February.**

***Our prayers and  
sympathies are with***

Lois Burt and family as  
they mourn the sudden  
loss of Kevin.

May he rest in peace.

There will be a Rosary on Monday  
17<sup>th</sup> February at 7:30pm and a  
Requiem Mass for Kevin on  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 11am,  
here at Holy Family.



**Easter Flower Raffle**

**Coming Soon!**

**Tickets are \$2 per ticket  
or 3 tickets for \$5**

**NEXT SUNDAY:**

**23 February 2020**

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (Yr A)**

*Lev 19:1-2,17-08; 1 Cor 3:16 - 23;*

*Mt 5:38-48;*

**LITURGY ROSTER**

**Readers:** J. Bright, Leslie Ahio

**Prayers of the Faithful:** M. Tagiilima

**Offertory:** O & E Ahio

**Special Ministers:** S. Molloy

**CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER**

La'akulu Family

**SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER**

Xavier/D'Lima Families

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

**16 Feb:** William Campbell,  
Mary Woolmore

**17 Feb:** Frances, Alexander and Jennifer  
Lindsay, Annie Ferry, Violet Henkel

**18 Feb:** Paea, Christopher and Moana  
Poauga, Rose Wallace

**19 Feb:** William Malloy, Cecilia Karl,  
Russell McDowall

**20 Feb:** Alfred Wilson

**21 Feb:** Noel Wiles - Pickard,  
Kenneth Moros, Peggy Tolcher

**22 Feb:** Antonio Savea

**PARISH FINANCES**

<i>Parish</i>	\$1,199.00
<i>Priests</i>	\$599.50
<i>Total Cash</i>	\$1,798.50

**HOLY FAMILY NEWS**

**Sunday Cup of Tea:** You are invited to  
the Hall today after the 9:30am Mass to  
come and share in a special morning  
tea for Fr Jeremy's birthday.

**Sacramental Programme 2020: First  
Reconciliation-** 7<sup>th</sup> March at 4pm in the  
Bugler Centre, *please note: If you would  
like your child to receive Confirmation  
and First Holy Communion, they would  
need to receive the Sacrament of  
Reconciliation first.* Please register with  
Ellen on 8346677. The deadline for  
registrations close 21st March.

**DIOCESAN NEWS**

**40 Days for Life: Be a sign of hope  
this Lent and help save lives!**

February 26 to April 5 - Monday to  
Saturday - 7am to 7pm. Please protect  
mothers and babies through prayer,  
fasting, and vigil outside the local  
abortion centre in Mt Eden. Vigil works  
on a rotating roster of one-hour slots  
with two to three people needed to  
cover each hour. To find out more and  
sign up for your prayer hour please  
visit **fli.org.nz/40daysforlife** or  
contact Michelle 027 526 1199