

Catholic Diocese of Auckland – Liturgy Centre  
Music suggestions for Christmas, Holy Family and the Epiphany

The Time of Christmas Year B 2017 / 2018

## Music Suggestions

### Suggested Mass Settings for Christmas.

Trilingual chants of the Roman Missal  
Mass of St Therese  
Te Miha Maori  
Heritage Mass – Owen Alstott  
Mass of Creation – Marty Haugen  
Mass of Light – David Haas  
Mass of Joy and Peace – Tony Alonso  
Mass of St Francis – Paul Taylor

**Opening or Gathering hymn;** The purpose of the hymn at the start of Mass is to foster unity and open our minds to the wonder of the season of Christmas when God became one of us.

**Communion hymn;** singing a hymn during the procession to communion reminds us that Christ is making us one.

**The principle of gender inclusive language:** In *A Guide To Gender Inclusive Language* (NZCBC 18.4.1997) with regard to the use of gender inclusive language in the liturgy, the Bishops state, “There are also responsibilities that belong to those who minister in the celebration of the liturgy. This includes priests, readers, musicians and liturgy committees.” It is well worth considering the importance of gender inclusive language when selecting and preparing music for liturgies.

**Kaupapa Maori – Māori Dimension:** Included in the terms of reference for the National Liturgy Office is “ensure the distinctive identity of the Catholic church in Aotearoa New Zealand with its Māori dimension is present in the liturgy.” (NZCBC’s Terms of Reference for NLO 2015 1.2b.) The 4<sup>th</sup> dimension of Kaupapa Maori, is Maori music, and the first priority it lists is to promote the use of Maori music where appropriate. You could achieve this over the Christmas period by singing a verse of Silent Night or O Come All Ye Faithful in Māori. A source for the words can be found in the list below.

The New Zealand Christmas Carol book, *Carol Our Christmas*, is available for purchase at this website <https://www.sounz.org.nz/resources/8466>

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<b>Christmas Masses</b>	<b>Scripture</b>	<b>Music- suggestions for Christmas Masses</b>
<b>Christmas Vigil</b>	<p><b>Isaiah 62:1-5</b> <i>Your land shall be called “my delight.”</i></p> <p><b>Psalm 89</b> <i>Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord</i></p> <p><b>Acts 13:16,17 22-25</b> <i>From David’s descendants, God has brought Israel a saviour, Jesus.</i></p> <p><b>Gospel. Matthew 1:1-25</b> <i>The genealogy of Jesus</i> <a href="http://usccb.org/bible/readings/120317.cfm">http://usccb.org/bible/readings/120317.cfm</a></p>	<p>Pō Mārie – Silent Night Maori – Sing Praise 264 E Hoa Mā Tēnā – O Come All Ye Faithful Maori – Sing Praise 159</p> <p>OL Angels We Have Heard on High – Gloria In Excelsis OL Away in a Manger OL See him Lying on A Bed of Straw - Calypso Carol OL Christmas Psalm – Today, Today A Saviour has been born - OL Follow The Christmas Star - Mangan OL Hark The Herald Angels Sing OL Joy To The World Kauri flax and Rata Tree – N Brookes NZ OL Lady Mary OL O Come All Ye Faithful OL O Holy Night OL O Little Town of Bethlehem. OL Once In Royal David’s City Shepherd’s On The Edge Of Town – Fr. C Skinner NZ OL Silent Night Te Harinui OL The Angel Gabriel OL The First Nowell OL What Child is this? OL Where is the Room? Shirley Murray NZ – Carol Our Christmas OL While Shepherds Watched OL You Are Born In Us Again Colin Gibson NZ – Carol Our Christmas</p>
<b>Mass of the Night</b>	<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading Isaiah 9:1-7</b> <i>The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.</i></p> <p><b>Psalm 96</b> <i>Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.</i></p> <p><b>Titus 2:11-14</b> <i>The grace of God has appeared, saving all...</i></p> <p><b>Luke 2:1-14</b> <i>For today in the city of David a saviour has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger."</i></p>	
<b>Christmas Day</b>	<p><b>Isaiah 52:7-10</b> <i>How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings glad tidings</i></p> <p><b>Psalm 98</b> <i>All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.</i></p> <p><b>Hebrews 1:1-6</b> <i>...in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son, whom he made heir of all things and through whom he created the universe...</i></p> <p><b>John 1:1-18</b> <i>And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us...</i></p>	

Holy Family	Scripture	Music - suggestions for feast of the Holy Family
	<p><b>Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6,12-14</b>  <i>Those who honour their father will have joy in their own children.</i></p> <p><b>Psalm 128</b>  <i>Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.</i></p> <p><b>Colossians 3:12-21</b>  <i>Brothers and sisters:  Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.</i></p> <p><b>Luke 2:22-40</b>  <i>Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother,  "Behold, this child is destined  for the fall and rise of many in Israel,  and to be a sign that will be contradicted  —and you yourself a sword will pierce—</i></p>	<p>E Hoa Mā Tēnā – O Come All Ye Faithful Maori – Sing Praise 159  Pō Mārie – Silent Night Maori – Sing Praise 264</p> <p>OL Blessed Are You – Haas  Gentle As Silence  Kauri flax and Rata Tree – N Brookes NZ</p> <p>OL Love Is The Greatest Gift – Marshall</p> <p>OL Once In Royal David's City  Te Harinui</p> <p>OL What Child Is This?</p> <p>OL Where is the Room? <i>Carol Our Christmas</i></p> <p>OL You Are Born In Us Again <i>Carol Our Christmas</i></p>
Feast of the Epiphany	Scripture	Music – suggestions for the Feast of the Epiphany
	<p><b>Isaiah 60:1-6</b>  <i>Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you.</i></p> <p><b>Psalm 72</b>  <i>Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.</i></p> <p><b>Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6</b>  <i>...it has now been revealed  to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit:  that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the  same body...</i></p> <p><b>Matthew 2:1-12</b>  <i>"Where is the newborn king of the Jews?"</i></p>	<p>Aroha Mai, e Hehu Atawhai SP 129  E Hoa Mā Tēnā – O Come All Ye Faithful Maori – Sing Praise 159  Haere Mai e Hehu SP 180  Kia Waiata Tōku Ngākau  Pō Mārie – Silent Night Maori – Sing Praise 264</p> <p>OL Angels We Have Heard On High Gloria In Excelsis</p> <p>OL As with Gladness Men Of Old  Calypso Carol</p> <p>OL Let All The World In Every Corner Sing</p> <p>OL O Little Town of Bethlehem</p> <p>OL Silent Night</p> <p>OL The First Nowell</p> <p>OL The King Of Glory Come</p> <p>OL We Three Kings</p> <p>OL What Child Is This?</p>