

## CHRIST THE KING PARISH DIRECTORY

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### OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
9:00 am – 3:00 pm

### PARISH STAFF

#### Parish Priest

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#### For Baptisms and Marriages

Please contact the Office

### PARISH SAFEGUARDING

As Catholics we believe that all of us are created in the image of God. Therefore, we must ensure that our parish is a safe place where all are treated with respect. Everyone has a responsibility to protect our parish whanau, including our tamariki, rangatahi, kuia and kaumatua, from harm and abuse by fostering a surrounding which is safe and welcoming. For any complaints or concerns, our Safeguarding & Complains Officer is Wilfrid Rodrigues. Contact via email: [safeguardingandcomplaints@christthekingparish.org.nz](mailto:safeguardingandcomplaints@christthekingparish.org.nz). You may also contact the National Office for Professional Standards at 0800 114 662 or the Police at 111.

### CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC SCHOOL

RESPECT - COMPASSION - SERVICE - PEACE & JOY

We encourage parents to enrol children well before their fifth birthday. You are welcome to visit the classroom before your child starts so you can meet the teacher and observe classroom routines. Phone: (09) 626 7123, Website: [www.ctk.school.nz](http://www.ctk.school.nz)

### SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am, 10:00 am, 6:00 pm

### DAILY MASS TIMES

Monday : 9:00 am

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Tuesday-Thursday & Saturday : 9:00 am

Friday : 10:00 am

### MASS OF ANOINTING

Every First Friday of the Month 10.00 am

### EXPOSITION / BENEDICTION

Thursday : 9:30 am

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday : 9:30 am after morning Mass  
or by appointment

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is offered to anyone in danger of death. Please call the parish office. If you are sick or undergoing surgery, you are welcome to seek the Sacrament of Anointing any time.

### PLANNED GIVING SCHEME

If you would like to join the Parish Planned Giving Scheme, please fill in the Parish Registration Form available from the table in the foyer. For every dollar you donate, you get 33 percentage back as tax credit.

# Christ the King

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH, AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND

260 Richardson Road, Mt Roskill, Auckland 1041

“To live by faith, to be known by love and to be a voice of hope”



### The Ascension of the Lord

17 May 2026

I asked a woman once if Johnny was in the house. She pointed at a chair and said, 'If he was here he would be there.' He never moved far! Jesus - he is here and there. The risen lord has moved on, but he has not fully left us. His Spirit dwells in us.

The one who came to earth has now gone back to heaven, bringing with him all that is human. His body - the man of heaven and the God of earth - is now the church, and that's us.

Before we are of any denomination or group, we are Christ's. We are baptised into the church of Christ; and yes, we live out our faith in different denominations. Today is the feast of the whole church - we begin in him and end in him, like the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, on the paschal candle. Our faith is also renewed through living with Jesus - we are partners in our mission. Our faith is also renewed in reading and praying the gospel each day.

On earth we are his body, with all our strengths and weaknesses, goodness and sin. Icons have Jesus smiling as he reaches heaven, smiling on us and living through us. We prepare for the way he is with us now next Sunday - in the Spirit. Where the qualities of the Spirit are alive, he is alive and well among us.  
(Fr. Donal Neary S.J.)

## A WORD FROM FATHER JOHN

Dear Friends

The Easter season is fast drawing to a close and the Sunday after this one- Pentecost Sunday- brings the fifty days to an end. But the work of the Holy Spirit does not come to an end either in each one of us or in our beautiful world. So many hymns and prayers to the Holy Spirit begin with a phrase such as "Come, Holy Spirit", a longing of the heart and soul from deep within as we search for the presence of God. The great grace is to discover that our search for God actually began with God's search for us. God loves each one of us into being, created us in love and for love- for Himself. And as the great Saint Augustine reminds us: *O Lord, you have made us for Yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You.*



A very happy Ascension Day to you and your loved ones.

Loving and upholding you all from here- **Father John**



### MAY is the month devoted to the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

#### Daily Rosary (Mon-Sat)

Monday-Thursday & Saturday at 8:30am (before 9am Mass)

Friday at 9:30am (before 10am Mass)

Saturday 5:30pm (before 6pm Vigil Mass) led by Legionaries

### The Week of Prayer For Christian Unity

The 2026 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity falls on **17-24 May**. Bishop Steve, the Diocesan staff, Fr John Fitzmaurice of Owairaka parish, invite you to the Ecumenical Day of Prayer for Christian Unity **at 7:00pm on Friday 29 May 2026 at St John Presbyterian Church, 422 Mt Albert Road, Mt Roskill**. Let us respond to Christ's call, "that may they all be one," joining in unison with our brothers and sisters from the wider Christian communities to a time of worship. Light refreshments after the service.

### UPCOMING EVENTS & FEASTS

- \* **Sun 24 May : Feast of Pentecost**
- \* Mon 25 May : Our Lady, Help of Christians
- \* Tue 26 May : St Philip Neri, priest
- \* Sat 30 May : World Day of Prayer for Children
- \* **Sun 31 May : Trinity Sunday** also **CTK Tongan Community Feast.**

- \* Mon 01 Jun : St. Justin, M., **also** King's Birthday public holiday (parish office closed)
- \* Wed 03 Jun : St Charles Lwanga & Companions, Mm.
- \* Fri 05 Jun : St. Boniface, B.M., **also** Anointing of the Sick at 10am Mass
- \* **Sun 07 Jun : Feast of the Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)**

## NOTICES

\* **Paul Turner Ars Celebrandi Workshop** : The New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference warmly invites clergy, parish liturgy teams, school staff, deacons, and all involved in the preparation of the sacred liturgy to a special workshop with international liturgist Fr Paul Turner. Inspired by Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter *Desiderio Desideravi*, this workshop will explore the ars celebrandi, the art of celebrating the liturgy with reverence, understanding, and fidelity to the mind and heart of the Church. Fr Paul Turner will lead practical and enriching session aimed at deepening our understanding of the Eucharist and strengthening the celebration of Mass in our parishes and schools. Fr Paul Turner is pastor of Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Kansas City, Missouri and director of the Office of Divine Worship for the Catholic Diocese of Kansas City-St Joseph. He holds a doctorate in sacred theology from Sant' Anselmo in Rome. He is a consultor for the Dicastery for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments. His numerous publications include "Guide for..." The Liturgical Ministry series of books and dozens of other titles. As pastor of diverse parishes, he spent many years ministering in a state prison, serving an Hispanic and multi-ethnic community, and providing assistance to the homeless. **Date:** Saturday 25th July, **Venue:** Christ the King Church, Owairaka, 260 Richardson Rd, Mt Roskill. **Time:** Parish Mass @ 9am Sessions start at 10am to 2.30pm. Morning Tea provided. BYO Lunch please. **Register at:** [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/paul-turner/](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/paul-turner/)

\* **Happy Celebrations** : Wishing everyone who are celebrating a Birthday or Anniversary this week (16-22 May) joy, love, and God's grace. May your special day be filled with the warmth of God's light and the love of your community.  
Birthdays : Ruby Lowe, Anthony Dennis, Reupena Levasa, Richard Tonga, Kalala Kasipale, Letiara Pasina, Saibhe Armstrong, Lama Fiau, Marian Wright, Susan & Fossie Faletolu, Richard Tonga, Romeo-Felisiano Mataele, Antonio & Luciano Fulu, Lygia Verhoven, Whitney Saldanha, Caleb Fisk, Susitina Luamanu Fiavaai, Lily Taulalai, Nick Mario, Succurine Rodrigues, Kalala Gabriel, Gabriel Purisima, Rads Purisima, Cobain David, Plaeton Xavier, Nigel Lobo, Maria Giaccon, Kimberley Coutinho, Sarai Kalati, Tumama Soonalole. Anniversaries : Johnrae & Shirley Tannen, Nita & Denzil Rodrigues, Andre & Kerri Tutaka-Brown.  
Priest Anniversary : Fr. Benedict Francis.

**We pray for all those who are in need of our prayers : for the sick, recovering from surgery or are terminally ill, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time (16 — 22 May):**

Nicholas Sarju, Ian Collier, Sandra Sequiera, Maria Tauia, Ann Norgrove, Tyrone Carneiro, Joan Ward, Thomas Williams

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.*