CHRIST THE KING PARISH DIRECTORY

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Please contact the Office

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am & 10:00 am

DAILY MASS TIMES (SEP-OCT2026)

Monday : NO Mass or Liturgy of the Word

Tuesday-Wednesday : 9:00am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

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

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.

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. 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

Christ the King

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260 Richardson Road, New Windsor, Auckland 1041
"To live by faith, to be known by love and to be a voice of hope"

ALL SAINTS' DAY – 01 NOVEMBER

Today, November 1st, the feast of All Saints is a distinctive day in our Catholic list of feast days. The Church has a very precise process, called canonisation through which it feels confident to say that somebody has lived a life in tune with the will of God and has now reached the kingdom of heaven.

However, the Church knows too that we can't limit the number of people who have reached eternal happiness in continuation of their holy Christian lives. They are people known to us – family, friends, colleagues and people like ourselves, who have helped the thirsty, the hungry, those without clothes and shelter, those who have sacrificed their lives for others etc. The love of neighbour that, after our death leads to God's right hand. These were the gestures that carried weight with Jesus.

Today, we pause to honour the countless holy men and women—both known and unknown – who now rejoice in the presence of God — from the great figures of Church history to the humble souls whose holiness was known only to those closest to them. This feast reminds us that sainthood is not reserved for a select few; it is the destiny to which every Christian is called.

The saints were ordinary people who lived extraordinary lives by allowing God's grace to transform them. They faced trials, temptations, and challenges, yet they persevered in faith, trusting in God's love. Their lives teach us that holiness is not about perfection, but about daily striving to love God and neighbour with sincerity and courage.

All Saints Day also invites us to reflect on the Communion of Saints — the spiritual bond between the faithful on earth, the souls in purgatory, and the saints in heaven. This communion assures us that we are never alone in our journey of faith. The saints intercede for us, encouraging us to walk in the light of Christ and reminding us that our struggles can be transformed into pathways toward holiness.

As we gather for Mass, let us remember that we are part of the same communion of saints—those on earth, those in purgatory, and those in heaven. May this celebration encourage us to live with faith, hope, and charity, so that one day we too may join them in eternal joy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." — Matthew 5:8



MESSAGE FROM FATHER JOHN

Dear friends,

It's certainly a big week Election-wise in our part of the world and in the United States. Elections were also held in Israel and in Brazil last week. And of course we have our own General Election this coming Saturday, 07th November. It is hard to read the mood but one senses a restlessness among people that sometimes takes extreme forms (the civil violence in France being a case in point). The great Feast Days of the Church at the beginning of this week provide the best context and framework for reading the signs of the times. Today- November 01st- is All Saints Day and our friends before God (the saints- both those canonized and those known only to God) show us how to give good lives in this world as we prepare for the next.

Tomorrow- November 02nd which is All Souls Day- we are reminded of that passageway through which we all must pass at some point or another. There is no possibility of escaping the reality of dying and death as we make our way from this world to the next. Make every effort tomorrow to come to **Mass for All Souls Day**, **either at 9.00am OR 7.00pm** to pray for all our loved ones who have died- the Faithful Departed whose ranks we shall all one day surely join. It is for this reason that we pray ***Eternal rest grant unto them , O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them May they rest in peace. Amen.***

With love, blessings and good wishes- ***Father John.***

ADVENT RITE II RECONCILIATION – TUESDAY 15 DECEMBER 2026

Reconciliation for Advent will be held at
Christ the King on Tuesday 15 December 2026 at 7:00pm.

As we journey through this season of reflection and renewal, we invite all parishioners to take part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This is a beautiful opportunity to seek God's mercy, find peace in our hearts, and strengthen our relationship with Him.

MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY – TUESDAY 03 NOVEMBER 2026

All parishioners from across the Diocese are warmly invited to the Annual Mass for Deceased Clergy to remember and pray for those who have passed away over the past year, on **Tuesday 03 November, 11:00 am at St Patricks, Panmure**. Following Mass is the blessing of the gravestones.

BISHOPS' ELECTION STATMENT

As the General Election nears, Catholics are encouraged to read the bishops' 2026 election statement, Discerning our nation's future through a Gospel lens. It invites Catholics and people of good will to consider voting as a moral and civic responsibility, not just a matter of personal preference. The bishops urge people to consider how they will cast their votes by reviewing candidates' and parties' positions across a range of key issues, and they also encourage people to pray for the country. Access the election statement at: https://bit.ly/NZCBCElection26

CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL FAIR – DONATIONS NEEDED!

As we prepare for our upcoming Christ the King Catholic School Fair on Sunday 6 December, we are seeking the support of our wonderful parish community. We would be very grateful for donations of prizes for our raffles and good-quality second-hand items for our White Elephant stall. All donations, big or small, are greatly appreciated and will help make our School Fair a fantastic community event. Donations can be dropped off at the school office, Monday to Friday, between 8:00am and 4:00pm.
Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our school community. God bless!

UPCOMING FEASTS AND EVENTS

- Mon 02 Nov – All Souls' Day ((Feast)
- Wed 04 Nov – St Charles Borromeo, B. (Memorial)
- Fri 06 Nov – Anointing of the Sick at 10am Mass
- Mon 09 Nov – Dedication of St John Lateran (Feast)
- Thu 12 Nov – 50 Year Anniversary of the Founding of the Tongan Community in New Zealand
- Fri 13 to Sun 15 Nov – 45 x Candidates receive Confirmation and Holy Communion
- Sun 15 Nov – World Day of the Poor
- Sat 21 Nov – Presentation of Mary (M)
- **Sun 22 Nov – Parish Feast Day : Christ the King, Universal King**
- Sun 29 Nov – First Sunday of Advent
- Fri 04 Dec – All Volunteers Christmas Dinner 7:00pm Parish Hall

PARISH WORKING BEE

We would really appreciate all hands on board to help keep our church and grounds beautiful before Christmas! **When**: Saturday 28 November after the 9am Mass, until 2pm. Please bring your own cleaning equipment, garden tools, hat, gloves, suitable shoes, for weeding, sweeping & tidying up. See you there!

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER 2026

Inviting ALL VOLUNTEERS Friday 04 December at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall For catering purposes, please RSVP the parish office via landline (09) 626 7744 or email:parishoffice@christthekingparish.org.nz by Monday 23 November. Soft drinks & juice will be provided. BYO alcohol.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION & MASS – Friday 06 November

7:00pm at St Mary's Parish, 20 Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy Sung, Benediction,Mass, followed by veneration of St Faustina's relic. All Welcome.

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 (30 October – 05 November) :

Elenor William, Vaoala Patricia Moriarty (Valarie), Francis de Souza, Anthony Boyes, Clementine Van Heeswyck, Bridget Mathias, Dominic D'Souza, Nathanael Francisco, Jerome D'Silva

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