

# Maria Assumpta Parish Bulletin

MARIA ASSUMPTA CATHOLIC CHURCH  
198 Beach Haven Road, Auckland 0626  
[www.beachhavencatholic.org.nz](http://www.beachhavencatholic.org.nz)

**SUNDAY MASS:** 8am, 10am  
**RECONCILIATION:** Saturday 10am-12pm  
**WEEKDAY MASS:** 9am - Tuesday to Saturday

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION:**  
Contact Parish priest  
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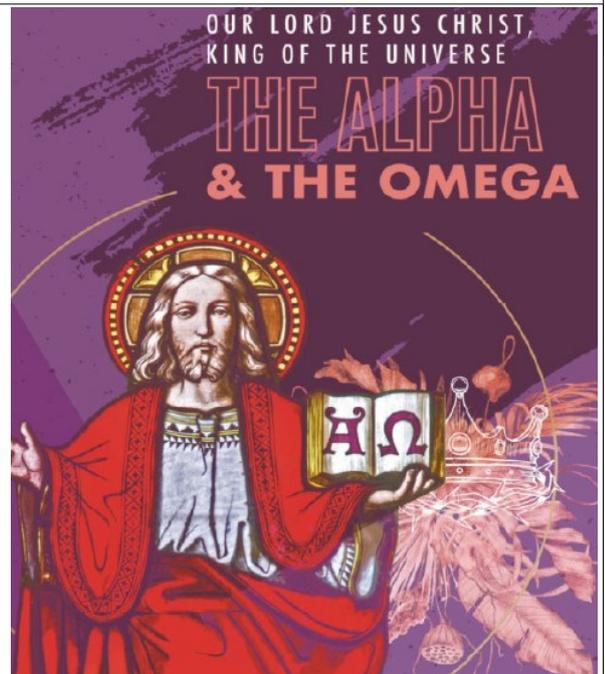
**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Mon, Thurs, Friday 9am-1pm

**34<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Christ The King**  
**20 November 2022**

**First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3**  
**Psalm: 122**  
**Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20**  
**Gospel: Luke 23:35-43**

**Reflection by Fr Aleki Piula**

**Christ the King**



Today we come to the end of Church's liturgical year and the readings describe of the enthronement of the victorious Christ as King in Heaven in all his glory. Today we honour Christ as our King. And we honour him best by helping to spread his kingdom. In 1925 the Feast of Christ the King was instituted by Pope Pius XI proclaimed: 'Pax Christi in regno Christi'(the peace of Christ in the reign of Christ).

That means that we live in the peace of Christ when we surrender our lives to him every day by accepting him as our God, Saviour and King and allow him to rule our lives.

In the first reading the second book of Samuel is given the Messianic prophecies of the Christ the Messiah is represented as a King, we see how David became king of a united country. His Kingship prefigures the universal kingship of Christ.

David had already been anointed King of Judah by his own people at Hebron, now the northern tribes also acknowledge him as their king. Thus, David became king of a united country. His kingship prefigured the universal kingship of Christ.

**If you're sick,  
please stay HOME**

*Welcome - Malo e lelei - Bula Vinaka - Talofa lava - Mabuhay - Bienvenue  
Nei hou ma - Anneunghaseyo - Ayu Bowan - Willkommen - Welkom  
Haere mai! Nau mai! Whakatau mai!*

Psalm 122 sings, 'I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house'. It composed for the end of the pilgrims' journey to Jerusalem. Its name meant the city of shalom, peace. It was to be a holy city, a place of pilgrimage. It was the supreme joy of any Jew's heart to sing the praises of God's name in the temple. At the end of the Church's liturgical journey, our thoughts turn to the end of life's pilgrimage. The aches and blisters of the road are healed at the glimpse of the city where our king reigns, inviting us to enter eternal paradise.

In the second reading a letter of saint Paul to the Colossians saying that Christ is not only head of the Church but Lord of all creation. This reading is essentially a liturgical hymn in praise of Christ. The first part speaks of his role in creation, and the second part speaks of his role in redemption. On this feast we acclaim Christ as head of the Church and ruler of the universe.

In today's Gospel, Luke tells us that Christ reigned from the cross and brought salvation to one of the thieves crucified with him. Luke tells us the story of the thief who acknowledges the Crucified Christ as king, while his people and their leaders mock at his claim. Luke shows that the sufferings of Jesus were indicated in advance in the Scriptures, that in this way alone could he enter into his glorious kingship. In today's Gospel we see how the inscription over the cross, and all those who witnessed the crucifixion (the crowd, the rulers, the soldiers, and the thieves) unwittingly proclaim the true identity of Jesus.

The irony is that the titles which are pronounced in mockery are true: Jesus is both Messiah and King. Jesus who established the kingship of God, His subjects are those who listen to his voice, who respond in faith to his invitation. The kingdom he established is not that of popular expectations, but that envisaged by the prophets, a kingdom in which a faithful people is gathered about His Son.

Let us accept as Christ as our king, Lord and Saviour by surrender our lives to him every day when we give priority to his teaching in our daily choices especially in our moral decisions that means Jesus must be in full charge of our lives and must give him sovereign power over our bodies, our thoughts, our heart and our will. Let us say together with the thief, Lord if you enter to your kingdom, please remember me.

Have a blessed Sunday, God bless. Fr. Aleki

### Announcements :

• **PLEASE register with Our Parish online OR complete the paper form at the back of the church and pop it into the office letterbox.**

- Thanks for the PPC member for their meeting wish you have a blessed month.
- Anointing mass of the sick on 03 Dec Saturday at 10am follow by cup of tea in the hall then I will have a baptism at 12pm follow by reception in the hall.
- We are looking for anyone who can volunteer for training our altar servers preparing for our Christmas and I ask here to all altar servers to have a meeting with Fr Aleki in the Church at 12pm thanks.
- There is a special box at the back of the church for parishioners to put the names of their deceased family members and friends. The box will be processed up to the altar on Sunday in the offertory procession during November. Then for Ash Wednesday the papers will be burned to make the ashes.
- **2023 COLUMBAN Art calendar** is available for \$10.00 each—Office has EFTPOS
- **Music Meeting** - 10:30 am Tuesday after first Sunday every month (06 Dec)
- **Finance Committee** - 7 pm Tues (13 Dec)
- **Liturgy Committee** - 7 pm Wed (14 Dec)
- **PPC Meeting** - 7 pm Wed (21 Dec)
- **Liturgy of the Word** - every Monday - 9 am, with Communion.
- **Youth Mass** - 10 am (27 Nov)
- **Filipino Mass:** 1st Sunday - 4 pm (04 Dec)
- **Samoa Mass:** 2nd Sunday - 11:45 am (11 Dec)
- **Tongan Mass:** 3rd Sunday - 1 pm (TODAY)



#### Maori Proverb:

"He mahi takitini tāku mahi, ehara i te mahi takitahi."  
"My efforts were the efforts of many, not just of one."

"He toa takitini tāku toa, ehara i te toa takitahi."  
"My courage was the courage of many, not just of one."





**PLEASE Register with us**

THANK YOU to the first **88 Families** who have already registered, fantastic.

Registration link is below:

<https://bit.ly/3GfSsBX>



**No Internet Access?** Please come into the office so we can assist you in completing this registration online or grab a form at the back of the Church.



**Jubilee Bursary Semester 1, 2023**

For Theology and RE courses Applications close Thursday, 24 Nov 2022 contact:

Michelle Jarvis [michellej@cda.org.nz](mailto:michellej@cda.org.nz)

**Joshua Men's Fellowship North Shore**

30 Nov 2022 at 7.30pm at St Josephs Centre, Takapuna. All men together with their spouses/partners are invited. It will be a time to give thanks and celebrate the blessings we have had during 2022 and look forward with hope to the Advent season. With this in mind we will have a shared dinner and request you bring a plate if you can. For more information contact [Russell](mailto:Russell) at 022 034 5678



**De Paul House Transitional housing and family support.**

**Food Bank Depleted!** Can you help? Our shelves are looking bare in most products.

Tinned fish, corned beef, pasta sauces, biscuits, crackers, rice, long life milk, powdered milk, tinned fruit, muesli bars, tea, coffee, milo. Personal care – shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, baby wipes, frozen meals or meat.

We share our food bank with the 45 families resident with us, but also with a growing outreach in the local communities and includes elderly pensioners.

Contact [reception@depaulhouse.org.nz](mailto:reception@depaulhouse.org.nz) 09-480-5959

**De Paul House Early Childhood Centre needs volunteers**

Do you love interacting, playing and caring for babies to 5 year olds.

The centre is open 9.30am to 12.30pm. Monday to Friday. Volunteers support the paid team leaders. Volunteers usually work one morning a week or can be on call when volunteers are away. Volunteer Manager [lesley@depaulhouse.org.nz](mailto:lesley@depaulhouse.org.nz) 09-480-5959



We congratulate the parishioners of Maria Assumpta on the success of their Golden Jubilee celebrations. Over the past 18 months, the Conference has received \$10,042 in donations and spent \$13,360 in providing support to those in need. Of this, \$12,428 was spent directly supporting people with food and bills. Our four volunteers have spent 253 hours giving \$7,700 of donated food to 80 families. These hours include delivering bread to 26 homes (70 adults and children) and to 2 supported living homes (8 adults) every week. If you need support, or a food parcel, please contact either Chris (020 4139 5170) or Charles (022 0242 753) Please consider becoming a member. We need more people both in our conference and at our Vinnies Charity shops. We need lots of volunteers and helpers – even for an hour or two once a week would be wonderful. If you can, please join our friendly team at either Beach Haven or Glenfield. Volunteering can be so rewarding! To volunteer in a shop please contact Janet on 022-356-3811 or [Janetlee.vinnies@gmail.com](mailto:Janetlee.vinnies@gmail.com)

**DATES FOR RECONCILIATIONS (SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME AND ADVENT)**

23 November 2022	7:00 PM	FIRST RECONCILIATION	SAINT MARY'S, NORTHCOTE
30 November 2022	6:00 PM	RECONCILIATION (SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME)	SAINT JOSEPH'S, TAKAPUNA
7 December 2022	7:00 PM	ADVENT RITE II RECONCILIATION	SAINT JOSEPH'S, TAKAPUNA
13 December 2022	7:00 PM	ADVENT RITE II RECONCILIATION	SAINT JOHN'S, OREWA
15 December 2022	7:00 PM	ADVENT RITE II RECONCILIATION	SAINT THOMAS MORE, GLENFIELD
16 December 2022	7:00 PM	ADVENT RITE II RECONCILIATION	SAINT MARY'S, NORTHCOTE
18 December 2022	7:00 PM	ADVENT RITE II RECONCILIATION	SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES AND ALL SOULS, DEVONPORT
20 December 2022	7:00 PM	ADVENT RITE II RECONCILIATION	MARIA ASSUMPTA, BEACH HAVEN

**Ngā Tapuwāe - Sacred Footsteps 2023.**

Northland pilgrimage 6th January to 8th January 2023. All are welcome to hiko with us to learn more of our Catholic heritage. We will explore, experience and live the sacred places of Kupe, Bishop Pompallier and the early missionaries. The pilgrimage will conclude with Mass at the place where the first Mass in NZ occurred.

Please register on <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/nga-tapuwaepilgrimage/> or contact: Deacon Stephen Fraser 021439407

Next Week Ministries	8:00am Mass	10:00am Mass
Welcome/Notices	Charles Grinter	Julita Seumanutafa
Ministers Of The Word	Beate Matthies Tuan Nguyen	Youth
Ministers of Communion	Fautua Peter Tevaga	Iulia Naititi
Prayers Of The Faithful	Vic Peters	Youth
Computer	Michael Coats	Filomena Filipino
Musicians	Anna Tran	Ausage Fa'aoso Setu
Counters	Team A	Yeng Bernabe Andrew Gongora

## Next Week READINGS

27 November 2022

First Reading:  
Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm: 122

Second Reading:  
Romans 13:11-14

Gospel:  
Matthew 24:37-44

### SPECIAL MASSES

- Filipino Mass:** 1st Sunday of month - 4 pm
- Samoa Mass:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of month - 11:45 am
- Tongan Mass:** 3rd Sunday of the month - 1 pm
- Multicultural Mass:** 4th Sunday of every other month.- 10 am
- Youth Mass:** 4th Sunday of every other month. - 10 am
- Maori Mass:** 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of month - 10 am

**Note: Singing Practice: Saturdays after morning Mass.**

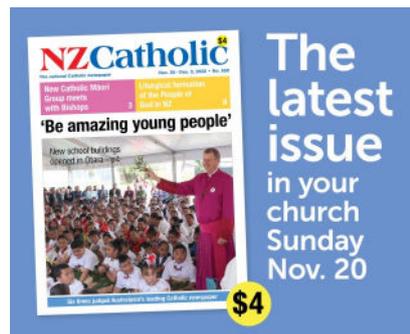
**Monday:** 9.00 am Liturgy of the Word

### DEVOTIONS

**Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist:** To be advised

### PARISH ACTIVITIES

- Youth Group:** To be advised
- NSSCC Fono:** 4th Sunday of the month, 11.30am – 3.00pm
- Enua Ola Group - Zumba :** Every Tuesday, 6pm in hall. To be advised
- Multicultural group meeting:** To be advised
- Finance Committee meeting:** 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 pm.
- Liturgy Committee meeting:** 2nd Wednesday of the month, 7:00 pm.
- Parish Pastoral Council meeting:** 3rd Wednesday of the month 7.00pm.



### NEWSLETTER:

Do you want the Newsletter via email ?

PLEASE register with the church online here:

<https://beachhavencatholic.org.nz/parishioner-registration/>



### CDA Connect

Are you wanting to know what is happening in the diocese? CDA Connect is a monthly newsletter concerning happenings in the diocese.



### HALL HIRE

All bookings can be made **ONLINE**

Should be made ONLINE at:

<https://beachhavencatholic.org.nz/venue-hall-hire-2/>

Parishioners: Hall Hire fee: \$150 Bond and \$25.00 per hour.

**NON Parishioners: Hall Hire: \$350 Bond.**

(Hall hire is for all time Hall is used - decorating included)



### CHURCH MAINTENANCE

Please inform the parish office of any damages that need repairing on parish premises.

If you can assist with maintenance please contact, Marc Theron

Ph: 021-119-1397 or email: [secretary@mariaassumpta.org.nz](mailto:secretary@mariaassumpta.org.nz)

### NOTICES FOR PARISH BULLETIN

These should be received by Thursday every week. Notices are approved by the Parish Priest and will be placed if there is room.

Email the wording to: [secretary@mariaassumpta.org.nz](mailto:secretary@mariaassumpta.org.nz)