

## PARISH NOTICES

1. Eucharistic Procession for **Christ the King** this Sunday 23rd November at 5pm.
2. **Multicultural Mass** next Sunday 30th November at 10am. All welcome.
3. **Ecumenical Combined Service for the First Sunday of Advent 30th November 2025 - 5pm** at St Peter's Anglican Church. There will be no Adoration.
4. Received emails from parishioners that there was no second collection for the children's gifts at the 8.30am mass last Sunday. This collection will be taken up this Sunday 23rd. Thank you in-deed.
5. **Reconciliation and the Anointing of the Sick** - Monday 8th December during Parish Retreat.
6. **Special invitation to all our communities, groups and committees to join our Parish Retreat** as advertised. A wonderful opportunity to start the Advent season.
7. Our dried goods are running low and humbly asking our Faith Family to support our **Food Collection Drive** so that the Caring and Services Committee could prepare food parcels for families in need to be distributed in the hall on the **21st December 2025** after the Sunday Masses leading up to Christmas. Thank you all for your generosity in your continual giving of dried goods. **YES** we are still collecting and distributing - while the need is there, we will continue.
8. **Our Parish Retreat Program for Advent as follows:**

**OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION, PARISH RETREAT ONEHUNGA**  
 Theme: *Encountering the Lord's Healing Mercy*

THROUGH UPLIFTING MUSIC, INSPIRING TALKS, AND PRAYER MINISTRY OVER THE COURSE OF THREE EVENINGS, COME AND BE RESTORED IN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR GOD—WHO IS LOVE AND WHOSE MERCIES ARE NEW EVERY MORNING.

(Reconciliation & Anointing of the Sick is available)

Fr Alliston Fernandes, a covenant member of the Institute for World Evangelization- ICPE Mission. His passion to lead people to an encounter with the God of Love.

DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> 5:00PM - 6:30PM.  
 DECEMBER 8<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 6:30PM - 8PM

**Praise  
and  
Worship  
With Fr Alliston**



## DIocese NOTICES

1. **Prison Chaplaincy** vacancies have arisen in the Auckland prison system for two part-time chaplains. If you are interested in exploring serving in such positions, please contact John Metherell [john.metherell@cda.org.nz](mailto:john.metherell@cda.org.nz)
2. **Monte Cecilia Housing Trust** - supports whānau who are struggling with housing challenges, including those living in overcrowded or unhealthy conditions such as garages. Our Sustaining Tenancies team also helps families in private rentals who are at risk of losing their homes, working with landlords and tenants to find solutions that keep whānau housed and supported. To learn more, visit [www.montececilia.org.nz](http://www.montececilia.org.nz) or call 0800 624 848.

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3. **A Night at the Conclave** with Cardinal John Dew is a special evening offering a rare, behind-the-scenes look at one of the most sacred gatherings in the Church. All welcome!  
 On: 7.30pm Friday 21 November at St Mary's College. Individual tickets \$35 or get a group of 10 together for \$150. Click the link for more detail and to get tickets!  
 Tickets: <https://events.humanitix.com/conclave> <https://www.facebook.com/306166018977343>

# OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION



**“Jesus’  
role as king  
is to bear  
witness to the  
truth that God  
is love.”**

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## THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING YEAR C 23RD NOVEMBER 2025

<b>Daily Morning Eucharist:</b>	Monday - Friday 7.30am
<b>Daily Evening Eucharist:</b>	Suspended until further notice
<b>First Friday Evening:</b>	<b>Lectio Divina</b> 6.30pm-7.30pm
<b>Saturday Eucharist:</b>	8.00am and Vigil 6.00pm
<b>Sunday Eucharist:</b>	8.30am & 10.00am
<b>Public Holidays:</b>	8.00am, <b>no evening Mass</b>
<b>Adoration:</b>	Sundays 5.00pm-5.45pm
<b>Tongan Mass:</b>	2nd Sunday of every month at 12.00pm
<b>Samoan Mass:</b>	5th Sunday of every month at 11.30am
<b>Youth Mass:</b>	4th Sunday of every month at 10.00am
<b>Reconciliation:</b>	Every Saturday at 8.30am-9.00am and 5.00pm-5.30pm
<b>Samoan Divine Mercy prayer meetings:</b>	Every 1st, 3rd & 4th Mondays at 12noon-2.00pm
<b>The Legion of Mary prayer meeting:</b>	Every Thursday at 7.00pm (Pavilion)

## Reflection

**BEARING WITNESS TO THE TRUTH.** With a wooden cross for a throne, at a place where thieves were crucified, the king of the Jews meted out a judgement to a common thief: ‘this day you will be with me in paradise’.

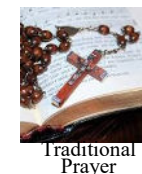
This king can still be found among the criminals and outcasts of our society, in the worst parts of our cities and towns. Worshipping him in the least of our brothers and sisters, we too will experience his compassionate judgement.

**(2 Sam 5:1-3).** David had already been anointed king of Judah by his own people at Hebron. In this reading we hear how the northern tribes also acknowledge him as their king. Thus David became king of a united country. His kingship refigured the universal kingship to Christ.

**(Col 1:11-20).** This is essentially a liturgical hymn in praise of Christ. The first part speaks of his role in creation, the second of his role in redemption. On this feast we acclaim Christ as head of the Church and ruler of the universe.

**(Lk 23:35-43).** Here 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.

Flor McCarthy SDB



**Readings for Christ the King & The Thirty-Fourth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time Year C 23rd November 2025**

**First reading:**

A reading from the second book of Samuel. 5:1-3  
*The elders anointed David as king over Israel!*

**Responsorial Psalm:** 122

**R: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

I was glad when they said to me,  
“Let us go to the house of the Lord!”  
Our feet are standing  
Within your gates, O Jerusalem. **R.**

Jerusalem - built as a city  
That is bound firmly together.  
To it the tribes go up,  
The tribes of the Lord. **R.**

As was decreed for Israel,  
To give thanks to the name of the Lord.  
For there the thrones for judgment were set up,  
The thrones of the house of David. **R.**



**Second reading:**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians. 1:12-20  
*God has transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son!*

**Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord;  
blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David.  
**Alleluia!**

**Gospel:**

A reading from the Holy Gospel  
according to Luke. 23: 35-43  
*Jesus, remember me when you come  
into your kingdom!*

**The Jubilee Prayer**

Father in heaven,

may the **faith** you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of **charity** enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed **hope** for the coming of your kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos,  
in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, **Pilgrims of hope**,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

**Amen.**



**Readers for this week Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd November 2025**

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Assumption Ilalio	1. Tatupu Vaalepu 2. Veronica Hagar	Lily Ulberg Pauline Calvert
8.30am	Susitina Tu'inukuafe	1. Selesitina Taamale 2. Chiara Marie	Su'e Tapu Savelina Mahoni
10.00am	Theresa Apikotoa	1. Uliafu Pifeleti 2. Iutita Sefo	Magnolia Tomasi Leonie Rawson

**Extra-Ordinary Ministers for this week  
Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd November 2025**

6.00pm	David Hagar, Don & Colleen Hodges, Diana-Marie Ulberg, Assumption Ilalio
8.30am	Glen Hill, Robert Lemana, Johndell Ubido, Susitina Tu'inukuafe, Su'a Tagaloa
10.00am	Tonga Enosi, Inoke Kata, Cory Apikotoa, Soane Ahovelu Jr, Michaela Duarte

**Readers for next week Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th November 2025**

	Commentator	Readers	Reserves
6.00pm	Vincent George	1. Pauline Calvert 2. Diana-Marie Ulberg	Therese Ulberg Veronica Hagar
8.30am	Glen Hill	1. Cheryl Peters 2. Lily Ulberg	Chiara Marie Selesitina Taamale
10.00am		1. <b>Multicultural</b> 2. <b>Mass</b>	

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6.00pm	David & Veronica Hagar, Don & Colleen Hodges, Therese Ulberg
8.30am	Assumption Ilalio, Robert Lemana, Johndell Ubido, Susitina Tu'inukuafe, Su'a Tagaloa
10.00am	Iutita Sefo, Fusi Mataele, Inoke Kata, Tonga Enosi, Faumuina Lio

**Anniversaries for the coming week 24th to the 30th November**

- 24. Victor Hugh Ganghan (1979)
- 25. Lorna Margaret Rimington (1986), Miles Vincent Hatton (2001), Allen McGill (1990)
- 26. Myrtle Susan Mary Fitzpatrick (1991), Lewis Henry Loheni (2009) Sean Smyth (2009)
- 27.
- 28. Max Kenworth Lindsay (1981), Selwyn George Harris (1989)
- 29. Imelda Whitehead (1975), Herbert William Morgan (2004), Dorothy Jean Priestley (1990)
- 30. Selwyn Michael Collis (1994)

**Weekly requirement to run the Parish is approximately \$2700.00  
Last Sunday's collection \$2250.70**

**Readings for Next Week (30/11/25)**

**First Sunday of Advent**  
1st Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5  
Psalm: 122: 1-2, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
2nd Reading: Romans 13:11-14  
Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

**Anniversaries of Deaths:** If you wish the deceased members of your family to be mentioned in the Sunday bulletin, please supply details the week before.

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