# St. Theresa's Parish

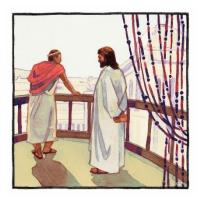
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24 November 2024 | Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Year B



## In our Parish this week

### Reconciliation

Is available by appointment

### **Monday 25 November**

**10am** Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion followed by Adoration until 1.30pm

**7pm** Alpha in the hall

### **Tuesday 26 November**

**9.30am NO** Liturgy of the word with Holy Communion

7:30pm RCIA meeting in the office

### **Wednesday 27 November**

9.30am Mass

**7.30pm** Prayer Group in the hall

### **Thursday 28 November**

**9.30am** Mass

### Friday 29 November

9.30am Mass

10.15am SVDP meet in the hall

### **Saturday 30 November**

**11am** Rosary and Adoration in the church

6.00pm Vigil Mass

## Sunday 1 December – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

**9:30am** Mass



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

When I was a young boy in Burlington, Vermont, my dad had a good friend named Phil who owned a sporting goods store. I loved sports, so meandering the treasure-filled aisles was an unmitigated joy. One afternoon, we were shopping for a baseball glove. Dad said to me, "Hey Johnny, see that man who just walked into the store? That's Phil." I remember being fascinated and a little terrified. I recall thinking, "That man right there is in charge of everything in this store!" He reigned over every ball, sneaker, jersey, and sweatsuit. Phil became a family friend. And he was a good owner. The store flourished, and I found myself even more at peace every time I went there. I felt a new hope and even responsibility for the store to flourish.

To say that Christ is the King of the Universe means that Jesus has absolute authority over everything in it. It should fill us with awe and fascination. He is in charge. The world and everything in it are finally his. Knowing that he knows and loves us should make us also feel a deep peace at being a part of his universe. This leads us to want his kingdom to flourish, to play some responsible role in it.

We advance his kingdom by promoting the truth. "Everyone who is of the truth hears my voice," Christ the King proclaims. In Phil's store, it was about the truth of athletics. In our world, it's all about the truth of all creation, especially the dignity of the human person, made by and for our loving God. Let's rejoice that we know the true king and commit to the flourishing of his kingdom.

- Father John Muir ©LPi





# Thank You!

Many thanks to Paul Traynor for joining us at Mass last weekend to talk about Passionist Family Groups (PFG). The PFG really is a family for all with the aim to build Christian community through the development of extended families. If you've filled in an enrolment form, these can be placed in the collection basket or into the mail slot outside the office.



# Passionist family and St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper time:

It is time to get organised for Christmas hampers and our weekend for this will be on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December.

Maybe this weekend we could concentrate on chocolate treats. We think we will be looking at 100 hampers again this year and as always, we very much appreciate your support. Cards can be put into the baskets, posted in the office postal box or if you prefer you can deposit to the parish bank account and we will buy them for you. Our bank details are 02 0536 0003250 29. Please use your surname as a reference.

Suggestions for next week: Donations of \$20 Preston's Meat cards, treats for families and Iollies. Thanks in advance.



## Anniversaries - May they

Kathleen Hughes, Mary ten

Broeke, John Todd, Brian Aldridge, Mary Rose Royal, Christina Carrie, Thomas O'Brien, Monica Rodrigo, Louise Bancilhon.

**Those who are sick:** Richard Gibbs, Arthur O'Leary, Sr Trish Hanaray, David Wootton, Jocelyn Bryant, Luca Ashworth, Cristina Fleming, Patricia Maher, John Montgomery, and all parishioners who have Covid or are sick.



Last Sunday we welcomed Talia and Oliver into the



Church.
All our
blessings
and love
go out to
them as
they begin
their
spiritual
journey!



Thank you for joining us at last weeks Remembrance Mass. It was a special evening.

## RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation will be available on *Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>* December 10am-12pm and 3pm-5pm; and *Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>* December 10am-12pm and 3pm -5pm. Please note there will be no Rite II Reconciliation this year.



### **Update from Cardinal John:**

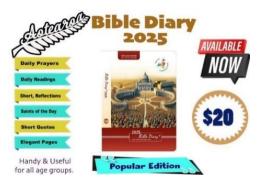
On Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November Vigil, Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December morning Mass, Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Vigil and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December morning Mass will be celebrated by Father David Dowling. Fr David is a Priest of the Archdiocese of Wellington and is the Rector of Holy Cross Seminary, our National Seminary.

The first weekend I will be at the Home of Compassion giving an Advent Retreat, this was planned long before I was asked to come to St Theresa's. On Tuesday 3rd December I leave for a meeting in Rome and the ceremony for twenty-one new Cardinals. I return on 12th December. In the first two weeks of December the only weekday Mass will be Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December for which I will be back.



**Otari Parish** has 100 pairs of rosary beads and are selling them for \$10 each.

Please contact the parish at <a href="mailto:office@otariparish.co.nz">office@otariparish.co.nz</a>
OR
phone (04) 476-6131



**2025 Bible Diary** - Order yours today! Contact Michelle Barber on: 027 4439915 Or email: michellembarber@gmail.com for a copy.



St. Joseph's Church, Pauatahanui

**Saturday 30 November** (wet weather alternative Saturday 7 December) Please bring any cleaning and outdoor tools you may need. Thanks in advance for your continued support.





### Registions are open for Ngā Tapuwae 10th to 12th January 2025

Come and join us in experiencing the footsteps of Bishop Pompallier, Kupe, and the Poynton's with other pilgrims together sharing our Catholic and Maori heritage. This will be a guided pilgrimage. Accommodation at \$80.00 per night per person will be shared living, experience and eating on the Marae. Your own transport will be required. For more information contact Dcn Steve on stephenf@cda.org.nz

Information is available at <a href="https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/lifeinfaith/nga">www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/lifeinfaith/nga</a> tapuwae-2025

### **JUBILEE YEAR 2025**

"...as the first twenty-five years of the new century draw to a close, we are called to enter into a season of preparation that can enable the Christian people to experience the Holy Year in all its pastoral richness." Visit <a href="https://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/jubilee-2025/">https://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/jubilee-2025/</a> to find out more about Jubilee Year celebrations in Wellington in 2025. You can also download your own Jubilee Year calendar from this link.

#### **COME & SEE VOCATIONS MORNING**

Exploring the vocation to the priesthood with Fr David Dowling, Rector of Holy Cross Seminary.

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 9am - 1pm at the Archdiocesan Offices, 204/2 Thorndon Quay Wellington.

Please email <a href="mailto:linesel@wn.catholic.org.nz">l.hensel@wn.catholic.org.nz</a> or text 021 164 5800 if you would like to join us.



### Christmas Eve Nativity Play: Can you help??

Calling all organisers... we need someone to run and organise the childrens Christmas play – 6pm Mass on Christmas Eve. No need to worry about writing a script... we have plays available, costumes, stunning hand painted backdrops and now we just need an enthusiastic organiser to take the lead or share the role with a friend.

If you are interested feel free to email the office: st.theresas1940@gmail.com



Planned giving envelopes 2025 – are now in the foyer for pick up. If you wish to join planned giving by automatic payment, you can set this up through your bank. We really need and appreciate your support. Our detais are ADW Plimmerton Account 02 0536 0003250 26

Service Rosters for Saturday 23 & Sunday 24 November								
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe								
Mass Time:	6:00 pm	9:30 am						
Sacristan	Mike Montgomery	Sef Truyens						
Greeters	Maureen Wilmshurst	Baker Family						
Welcomer /Prayers of Faithful	Annemaree Deed	Phil Reiher						
Altar Servers		Jack & Alex Buchanan						
Karanga		Isabelle Aubrey						
Children's Liturgy		Bronagh & Luke Barber						
Proclaimer of The Word	Carmel Keane	James Aubrey						
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy	Rosaleen Larsen, Mike	Dan Blank, Klara Noldan,						
Communion	Montgomery	Walter Dempsey						
Hospitality		Janet & Peter McClean						
Altar Society		Maureen Barber						

Service Rosters for Saturday 30 November & Sunday 1 December									
1st Sunday of Advent Mass Time: 6:00 pm 9:30 am									
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Sacristan	Kelly Ross	Julian Howard							
Greeters	Rosaleen & Jeff Larsen	Walter Dempsey							
Welcomer /Prayers of Faithful	Mary Va'a	Youth							
Altar Servers		Colin Feng, Finlay Blank							
Karanga		Phoebe McClean							
Children's Liturgy		Anne Dodds							
Proclaimer of The Word	Jude McKee	Ray Wolken							
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Kelly Ross, Mary Cruz	Dorothy Gibbs, Julian Howard, Sef Truyens							
Hospitality		James & Glenis Aubrey							
Altar Society		Klara Noldan							

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