



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.

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Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
9.00 am—3.00 pm

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Fr Benedict

Christ the King School

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Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 6.00 pm
Sunday: 8.30 am, 10.00 am

Daily Mass Times

Monday

Liturgy of the Word
with Holy Communion 9.00 am
Tuesday—Thursday & Saturday

9.00 am

Friday

10.00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 9.30 am—10.00 am
or by appointment

Exposition/Benediction

Thursdays 9.30 am -10.00 am

Today's Readings

Revelation 11:19,12:1-6,10
1 Corinthians 15:20-26
Luke 1:39-56

21st Sunday Readings

Isaiah 66:18-21
Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13
Luke 13:22-30

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.



260 Richardson Road, Mt Roskill, Auckland 1041

14 August 2022



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Patronal Feast of New Zealand

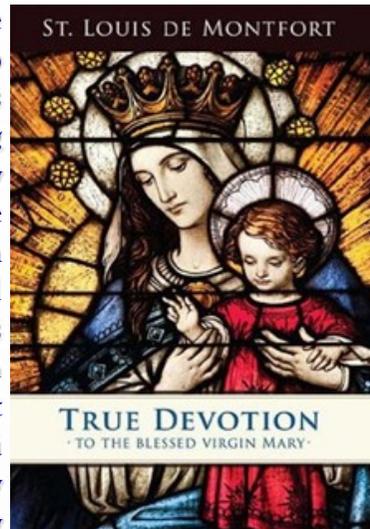
The Assumption of Mary into heaven is a logical consequence of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception. Because Mary was born without original sin, she did not suffer its consequences, among which is death. Because she was a kind of Ark of the New Covenant, carrying the Church in the person of Christ, God preserved her from sin and wanted her in His presence when her time on earth ceased. No saint has ever enjoyed such a privilege, because no saint ever had the relationship with Christ that Mary enjoyed. A pious tradition says that the choirs of angels in heaven whispered in awe to each other as Mary was assumed into God's presence, "Who is this woman treated with such unique respect and honour?"

Sometimes it's hard to appreciate the beauty and majesty of a massive landscape without a person to give it scale. How high is that waterfall? How tall that mountain peak? How far that shore? Place a person in the field of vision and suddenly the image makes more sense. God fills every scene with his majesty. He is almost too much to take in. But Mary gives God scale and perspective. She humanizes the view. Mary is always there in the foreground, showing the faithful how to approach God and render Him due honour.

True Devotion to Mary

Devotion to the Virgin Mary is not just a more intense version of devotion to a saint. It is so much more than that. True devotion to Mary is on a higher plane of spirituality, something “cradle Catholics” know instinctively, even if they cannot explain it. With Mary as our mother, the Church and her doctrines are vivified. They seem to matter more. The Church is closer to us and we to her because of Mary. Marian spirituality is more than religious wisdom in the Eastern tradition. It is more than acknowledging that Jesus Christ came from a particular woman and a particular town. To be “Marian” is to know why God would want her assumed into heaven, body intact. To be “Marian” is to understand that no one asks about a baby without asking about its mother in the very same breath. Mary was not just the first Christian. She was, for years, the only Christian. She was, for years, the entire Church.

The dogma of the Assumption, like all dogmas, is liberating. Borders make one go deeper, just like irrigation channels guide the water where it's needed so that a harvest will come. “No” can lead to new discoveries as much as “Yes.” Good theology sometimes says “No” to bad theology. This usually leads to a deeper spirituality. We need sound mysteries of faith to contemplate, to consider, and to commemorate. Without them, we would be focused either on falsehoods or on ourselves, and we might then become the mystery of faith rather than the truth or God. Profound dogmas of faith such as the Assumption of Mary walk hand in hand with a vibrant spirituality. Mary's Assumption into heaven opens new horizons to the mind and imagination in prayer and a holy desire to discover more in the life to come.



ST. STEPHEN
OF HUNGARY

August 16th

ST. BERNARD OF
CLAIRVAUX

August 20th



We wish all who celebrate their birthdays this week in our parish.

“The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make His face shine upon you,
and be gracious to you;
the Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and
give you peace.” (Numbers 6:24-26)



We wish all the couples celebrating their wedding anniversaries in our parish.

“May the Lord keep you safe all the days of your life.
May he be your comfort in adversity and your support
in prosperity.
May he fill your home with his blessings”



**St Vincent De Paul of CTK
needs New Members**

**We help those who need it most.
Assisting us to assist others is a lasting
way to help the most disadvantaged
and needy in our community.
We meet once a month on a
Monday, our next meeting will be on
12th September at 6 pm in the Church
meeting room.**

***We pray for all those who are in need of our prayers,
are recovering from surgery or are terminally ill:***

Oscar Sequeira, Sandra Shear, Maria Chin, Max Joseph F Ng Lam

and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Fr Neville Brown, Daniel O'Neill, Michelle Pereira, Barney McCahill,
John Alpanso, Lawrence Neeson, Lorna Dsilva, Soane Tongo, Joanito Dias,
Fr Clement Bala, John Martin Griffin, John Cloonan

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord