

Sacred Heart Parish

23rd November 2025 – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

FR BRIAN'S PRAYER & REFLECTION



Today is the feast of Christ the King, and Jesus is a very different King compared to King Charles. King Charles grew up in a castle with servants and maids. He went to a small school before attending Cheam School and Gordonstoun, and then Trinity College. His personal wealth is over US440million dollars. He grew up surrounded by privilege, born with a golden spoon in his mouth. He owns palaces, fancy cars, a massive art collection, some significant retail properties in prime locations and has a very large collection of jewels. He wears a crown made of Gold, diamonds and precious stones and sometimes travels in an open-top carriage drawn by a team of beautiful horses.

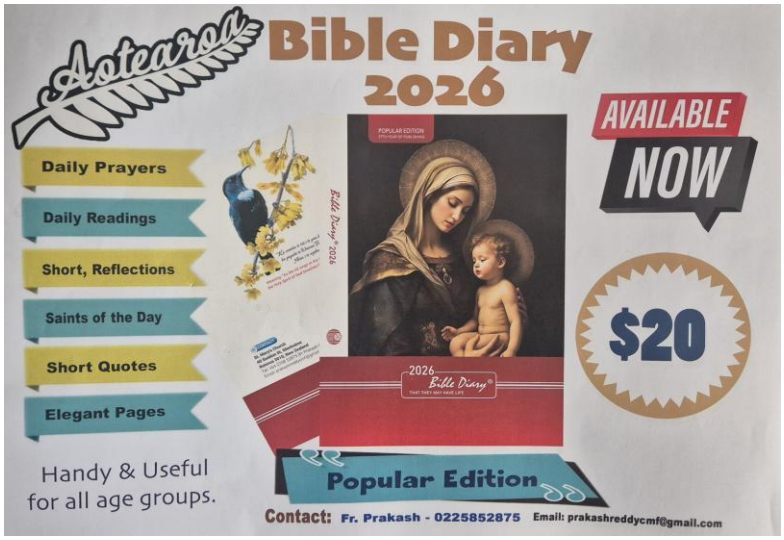
Jesus was born in a stable; he was the only child of Mary and Joseph. Jesus grew up among peasants in a small town in the hills of Lower Galilee, and most likely he was educated in a small synagogue setting. Nazareth was likely nothing more than a hamlet with a population of 500 or less. In that era, the father was responsible for seeing that sons received a form of primary education. Entering the teens, a boy no longer went to the synagogue school but learned from home. Joseph's father would be required to teach his son a trade, typically the same trade that he himself had. His life as a child and young adult was ordinary, but that all changed when he reached 30. He became an itinerant preacher, of no fixed abode, a miracle worker, a straight shooter, a charismatic leader, who was and is The Son of God and wore a crown of thorns and rode a donkey at least once.

The two different lifestyles, 2 different Kings, one secular, the other the Son of God. King Charles of the English Royal Family was born with original Sin. Jesus, God's Son, was born sinless. King Charles will die a natural death, Jesus died for all our Sins, rose from the dead, and ascended to heaven. King Charles will disappear in history. Jesus' name his message, his church will live forever. King Charles will have people serving him delicious foods. Jesus is a servant king, coming to serve, never too busy, always feeding us with his presence in the world and at and in the Eucharist. Jesus gives us his body and blood, Soul and Divinity at Eucharist, not a small amount, but all of Jesus's everything; it's actually we who dictate the portion size we receive.

Jesus' greatest desire is to feed us and protect us. He gives himself out of radical love. Jesus is the best gift you can receive and give. On this, the Feast of Christ the King, let's all thank him, pray to him, and follow his example as servant King, inviting others into his family, into his Church, inviting everybody to join us and him.

Curious, want to know more ring me, Fr Brian Carmine 0275163758, or email me bejcarmine@gmail.com. I do not bite. I want to give you the greatest gift. Jesus. God bless.

We welcome the following children who are making their first Holy Communion .We welcome their families and friend's teachers. Thank you for assisting your children, your relatives , you class mates in preparing to this beautiful bountiful feast. Come again you are always welcome. Unsure of the structure of worship , just tell us and we will buddy you up with another person, someone gentle and kind supportive someone like Jesus.



These are on sale from the Parish Office or before Mass in the foyer on Sunday 23rd November



Children's Liturgy will now be held every week. Susanne will take her usual, every 1st and 3rd Sunday and Megan will take the other weeks. There will be no children's liturgy on the 23rd November due to Megan being away

THE VISION *of* SACRED HEART PARISH, INGLEWOOD IS:

Parish communities empowered by the Holy Spirit to grow in faith, hope and love.

Ngā Hāpori Pariha i whakamanahia e te wairua tapu
ki te tupu i roto i te whakapono, te tūmanako me te aroha.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS: David Evans, Mick Dravitzki, Cyril Broadmore, Warren Herlihy, John Logie, Millie Hopkins, Mary Wooller, Doug Crowe, Pat Wooller, Colin Dodunski, Leo Biesiek, Kevin Herlihy, James Stachurski, Kevin Brophy, Patsy Kuklinski, Graeme Chubb

We remember in our prayers: All those who are unwell in our Parish, those who are caring for sick loved ones and those who are still living in their own homes, the lonely, the elderly, those suffering Bereavements and all Parishioners in Rest Homes and Hospitals.

DONATIONS COLLECTION

Sunday 16th November 2025

Parish	$413.91
Clergy Trust Fund	$153.09

PLANNED GIVING

If anyone is interested in going on planned giving or would like more information on planned giving, then please give Nicky a call in the parish office – 756 7164 or email her on stjpwaitara@xtra.co.nz

COMBINED CHURCHES LADIES CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

You are warmly invited to this on Monday 8th December at 7:00pm at the Anglican Church Hall. Please bring a Foodbank Item.

2026 COLUNBAN ART CALENDARS - $13 each

These can be purchased either from the foyer table.



The Advent season, leading up to Christmas, becomes a time for Catholics and Christians to reflect on their lives and make deliberate choices that align with the values of faith, hope, and charity. It is an opportunity to focus on spiritual growth and a deepening connection with God. Through prayer and acts of kindness, individuals can cultivate a sense of inner peace and fulfilment.

The Nativity scene, midnight Mass, and the symbolic Advent wreath all contribute to the rich tapestry of Catholic Christmas traditions. These rituals serve as anchors, grounding individuals in their faith and connecting them to the timeless narrative of the birth of Christ. In a society where trends often overshadow traditions, the Catholic and Christian Christmas provides a sacred space to reaffirm the values that have sustained communities for generations.

At the heart of our Catholic and Christian faith, the tradition of Christmas celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ. The central message is one of humility, love, and the ultimate gift of life after death. The Catholic and Christian meaning of Christmas urges believers to have a deeper meaning behind the celebration — the divine gift of God's Son to humanity.

The Catholic and Christian Christmas communities individuals to reflect on the simplicity and purity of the original gift — the birth of Christ in a humble manger.

Christmas is also a time for all to embrace the spirit of charity and compassion, mirroring the teachings of Christ. the Catholic Christmas underscores the importance of selfless giving and reaching out to those in need.

Joy, according to Catholic teachings, is not found in the acquisition of material goods but in the act of spreading love, kindness, and generosity to others.

Christmas is an exciting time of year. However, beyond the glittering lights and wrapped presents, we should also remember that Christmas is a sacred celebration that invites believers to reflect on the divine gift of love and salvation. It celebrates the birth of Jesus, it's his birthday, so let's give Jesus the ultimate gift ourselves.

Let's celebrate together regularly,
and also, please make time to come to Mass
WAITARA on Christmas Eve
Carols start at 7.00pm, Mass starts at 7.30pm
Or INGLEWOOD on Christmas Day
Carols start at 9.30am, Mass starts 10.00am
God bless, Fr. Brian Carmine

PARISH CONTACTS

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Parish Priest: Fr. Brian Carmine – 756 7164 or 027 516 3758
Secretary / Administrator / Parish Planned Giving: Nicky Kuklinski – 756 7164
Parish Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9am – 12noon, Friday 12noon – 3pm
Donations: If you would like to make a donation to our Church, you can use the following details:
Bank: Sacred Heart Parish Account Inglewood Bank: BNZ, Palmerston North
Account Number: 02-0630-0288002-011 Reference: Your name
(If you would like a receipt, can you please email the Parish Office)

PARISH CONTACT PEOPLE

Parish Prayer Support (Prayer Line): Theresa Gibbon – 756 8349
Parish Hall Hire & Religious Stall: Parish Office – 756 7164
Gluten Free Hosts: Nicky Kuklinski – 027 672 2514
Floral Arrangement Roster: Tess Johnston – 756 8452
St Patrick's School Principal: April Baylis – 756 7908, email: office@stpatsinglewood.school.nz
Foodbank: Open at Forrestal House on Fridays – 9.30am – 10.30am.



INGLEWOOD

SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Sunday 10.30am

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday 10.30am *Every week*

WEEK DAY MASS TIMETABLE

Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 10.00am
Saturday 9.00am *Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday*

BENEDICTION & RECONCILIATION

Saturday 8.30am *Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday*

WAITARA

SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Sunday 9.00am *Every Sunday*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday 9.00am *Every Week*

WEEK DAY MASS TIMETABLE

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place for 30 minutes as shown below (before or after)

Tuesday	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word	*(after)*
Wednesday	5.30pm	Mass	*(before)*
Thursday	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word	*(after)*
Friday	9.00am	Mass	*(after)*
Saturday	9.00am	Every 2nd & 4th Saturday	*(before)*
Saturday	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word	*(after)*

All other Saturday's

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 8.30am *Every 2nd & 4th Saturday*

MOKAU

Saturday 5.00pm 20th December

NGA PEKANGA

Sunday 10.30am 14th December

BAPTISMS (INGLEWOOD): 1st Sunday of every month (except January). For more information contact Fr. Brian or the Parish Office

BAPTISMS (WAITARA): 2nd Saturday of every month (except January). For more information contact Fr. Brian or the Parish Office

SCRIPTURE READINGS

23rd November – Psalm Response: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.
Samuel: 5.1-3 **Colossians:** 1.12-20 **Luke:** 23.35-43
30th November – Psalm Response: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.
Isaiah: 2.1-5 **Romans:** 13.11-14 **Matthew:** 24.37-44

SUNDAY MINISTRIES

	This Week Sun 23rd November	Next Week Sun 30th November
Readers	Fiona Bishop Sophie Chow	Mike Davey Lyn Potroz
Prayers of Faithful	Marg Evans	Mark Duynhoven
Presentation of Gifts	Joe & Roma Potroz	Mary Coombe Cathy Churches
Communion Ministers	Chris Werder Alan Spurdle Joy Woodward	Christiane McIntyre Ngaire Dravitzki Terry Dravitzki
Altar Servers	Abiel Isaac. D	Isaac. R Blake
Music	Music – Sue Marsh	Music Group
Power Points	Tanius	Nicky
Counters	Dennis Dravitzki Chris Werder	Christiane McIntyre Mike Crofskey
Cup of Tea	Maree & Alan Gibbins	Maureen D'Ath & Nancy Leahy
Church Cleaning	Leo & Liz Bennett 21 / 22 November	Bernadine Minnear & Veronica Hinz 28 / 29 November

Mass Readings for the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

First Reading – 2 Samuel 5:1-3: The tribes of Israel came to David in Hebron, recognizing his leadership. They made an agreement before the Lord, and David was anointed king of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 122: We rejoice as we go to the house of the Lord in Jerusalem, where the tribes gather to give thanks and the thrones of judgment are set.

Second Reading – Colossians 1:12-20: Let us thank the Father for rescuing us and bringing us into the kingdom of his Son, Jesus, who is the image of God and the head of the church.

Gospel – Luke 23:35-43: Rulers and soldiers mocked Jesus on the cross, challenging him to save himself. One criminal joined in, but the other defended Jesus and asked to be remembered. Jesus promised him a place in Paradise.

PRAYER GROUP with ADORATION
Every Thursday from 9 am-10am.



Saturday 29th November, From 9am – 11am.
We will finish with a BBQ lunch.
If you have any of the following, can you please bring them along as well: Window Brushes, Long Dusters, Norwex (window) clothes & cleaning cloths.

WORKS & FINANCE MEETING
Sunday 23rd November at 11.30am

FAITH GROUP
Wednesday 26th November, at 7.00pm,
in the meeting room.

HOPE & RENEWAL SUMMITT MEETING
Sunday 30th November at 10.00am in Waitara.

MEN'S DINNER - INGLEWOOD
Sunday 30th November at 6.00pm at Fern Lodge, Inglewood. Please ring Fr. Brian before noon on the Sunday so he can book the restaurant.

PLEASE NOTE: MASS TIME CHANGE
On Thursday 4th December,
Mass will start at 10.30am (instead of 10am).
We will still have prayer and adoration from 9am – 10am.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEETING
Thursday 4th December after the 10.30am Mass.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MOVIE
Sunday 7th December at 11.30am.

CHRISTMAS DINNER
Sunday 7th December from 6.00pm in the parish hall, this will be a pot luck dinner.

MEN'S GROUP
Wednesday 10th December at 6.00pm.
Meet for Mass at 5.30pm (if you can) at St Joseph's Parish, Waitara. Then it's onto the Waitara RSA for dinner. All men welcome. Please ring Fr. Brian before noon on the Wednesday so he can book the restaurant.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday 10th February at 10.00am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
The office will be closed from Friday 19th December at 3pm and reopen again as normal on Monday 19th January from 9am - 12 noon.



MOKAU

CHRISTMAS MASS
Saturday 20th December at 5.00pm



WAITARA

CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS
Wednesday 24th December.
Carol starts at 7.00pm, Mass starts at 7.30pm



INGLEWOOD

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS
Thursday 25th December at 10.00am

Please note: There will be no Masses or Liturgy of the Words on Boxing Day.



WE NEED YOUR HELP
We are looking for some volunteers from our Church to help out on this night.
So, if you are available from 4.30pm onwards and would like to help out with this,
can you please let Nicky in the parish office know.

ROSARY AT FORRESTAL LODGE

Every Tuesday, Bruce & Vonna will be praying the Rosary at Forrestal Lodge. This starts at 7pm. Entry is through the sliding door. Everyone is welcome.



Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK - First Sunday of Advent

Reading 1: Isaiah 2:1-5

This is what Isaiah, son of Amoz, saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.
In days to come, the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest mountain and raised above the hills.
All nations shall stream toward it; many people shall come and say: "Come, let us climb the LORD's mountain, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may instruct us in his ways, and we may walk in his paths."
From Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations, and impose terms on many people.
They shall beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks; One nation shall not raise the sword against another, Nor shall they train for war again.
O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Responsorial Psalm: 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

I rejoiced because they said to me, "We will go up to the house of the LORD."
And now we have set foot within your gates, O Jerusalem.
R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Jerusalem, built as a city with compact unity.
To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD.
R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

According to the decree for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the LORD.
In it are set up judgment seats, seats for the house of David.
R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! May those who love you prosper!
May peace be within your walls, prosperity in your buildings.
R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Because of my brothers and friends I will say, "Peace be within you!"
Because of the house of the LORD, our God, I will pray for your good.
R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Reading 2 Romans 13:11-14

Brothers and sisters: You know the time; it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep.
For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed; the night is advanced, the day is at hand.
Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves properly as in the day, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in promiscuity and lust, not in rivalry and jealousy.
But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the desires of the flesh.

Alleluia: Psalm 85:8

R. Alleluia, alleluia.
Show us Lord, your love; and grant us your salvation.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: "As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.
In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark.
They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away.
So will it be also at the coming of the Son of Man.
Two men will be out in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left.
Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left.
Therefore, stay awake!
For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.
Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and not let his house be broken into.
So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."