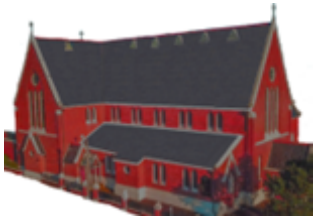
St Benedict's
PARISH OF NEWTON-AUCKLAND

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 6pm
Sunday 9.30am

FREE PARKING AVAILABLE



WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Wednesday - Friday: Mass 12.10pm

ETHNIC MASS TIMES

Filipino: Every Sunday at 11.30am
Tongan:
3rd Sunday of the month at 1.30pm
Indonesian:
4th Sunday of the month at 1:30pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5.00pm - 5.45pm
Weekdays at the Cathedral
11.00am– 12.00pm

ALSO AT ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

First Friday of the month
Sacred Heart of Jesus
Rosary at 6.40pm, Novena at 7pm
Mass at 7.30pm-8.30pm
Third Friday of the month
Holy Child Jesus, Senor Santo Niño
Rosary at 6.40pm, Novena at 7pm
Mass at 7.30pm-8.30pm
Every Wednesday
Mother of Perpetual Help
Rosary at 6.15pm, Novena at 6.45pm
Mass at 7.15pm
Saturdays
Rosary 10am - 20 Decade Rosary
Temporarily moved online
https://www.facebook.com/20decaderosary

BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES

Contact the Parish Office
Phone: (09) 379 0624
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ST BENEDICT'S PARISH OFFICE

Monday to Thursday 10am—4pm
Friday 9.30am—2.30pm
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St Vincent de Paul & Foodbank: Ph 815 6122

Parking for St Benedict's Church

Free parking is available from Saturday 9am to Sunday 7pm in the Wilson carpark on the corner of St Benedict's & Alex Evans Streets. Please note: A few parks are marked reserved for tenant parking and are 24 hour tow away. These parks are allocated to nearby residents not the Church

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The Solemnity of Christ the King ~ 22 November 2026

The Feast of Christ the King directs our attention towards the ultimate revelation of Jesus Christ as Lord of history and King of all creation. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus presents a vision of the Son of Man coming in glory, seated upon his throne, and gathering all nations before him. This scene draws deeply upon the Old Testament understanding of God's sovereignty and the fulfilment of his purposes in history.

As the Old Testament experience developed, the understanding that God controlled all history continued, but the awareness that human affairs flowed towards a definite consummation within history became increasingly clear. The final consummation was described in terms of the 'day of Yahweh' - that full and final moment when Yahweh would inaugurate his rule upon the earth.

In Matthew 25, Jesus reveals what the coming of God's Kingdom means for humanity. The King does not judge people according to their wealth, status or worldly achievements, but according to their response to those who are hungry, thirsty, strangers, naked, sick and imprisoned. "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."
Christ's kingship is therefore revealed through mercy, compassion and loving service. His throne is inseparable from the suffering of the vulnerable. To acknowledge Jesus as King is to recognise his presence in those who depend upon our care.

As we celebrate Christ the King, we are invited to examine how we exercise responsibility, kindness and justice in our daily lives. The Kingdom is not simply a future promise; it begins wherever love is made visible. May we prepare for the Lord's final coming by serving Christ in the least of our brothers and sisters, allowing his reign of love to shape our world today.

Fr Stephen Berecz

Liturgy of the Word ~ The Solemnity of Christ the King

First Reading (Ezek 34:11-12.15-17) God is portrayed, not so much as a judge of his people, but as someone who cares for them as a good shepherd cares for his sheep.
Second Reading (1 Cor 15:20-26.28) At the end of time Christ will reign as universal King, having overcome all hostile forces, including death.
Gospel (Mt 25:31-46) We don't know exactly how the last judgement will happen, but we do know what the followers of Jesus will be judged on.
Next week's readings: Is 63:16-17; 64:1.3-8; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37.

For Sunday/weekday readings see: mobilegabriel.com

The **2027 Columban Art Calendars** are available to purchase for $15 each. If you wish to purchase, please make payment to the parish bank account (number printed opposite) using **"Calendar" as the reference**. Please email proof of payment to office@stbenedictsauckland.org.nz. Once proof of payment is received you can collect your calendar from the parish office or from the sacristy after mass. Please specify preferred option in your email.

The **2027 Claretian Publications Bible Diaries** are available to purchase for $20 each. If you wish to purchase, please make payment to the parish bank account (number printed opposite) using **"Diary" as the reference**.
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Ideal gifts for Christmas!

Prayer for The Faithful Departed

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Welcome to St Benedict's

Keep up to date with parish news and download the "St Benedict's Auckland" App from the App store on your mobile device.
Like and follow "St Benedict's Church, Auckland" on Facebook for regular updates and links to the newsletters. St Benedicts has the following options for planned giving and donations to our Parish:
• Collection at Sunday Mass • Automatic bank payment
• St Benedicts App • Tap and Go
Our bank account number is 02 0108 0706611 000 "St Benedicts Parish"
If you need assistance or require more information, please contact the parish office on 09 379 0624

• Reconciliation Rite I is available every week before Mass on Saturday evenings from 5pm-5.45pm.
• Eucharistic Adoration every first Friday of the month at St Benedicts from 11am-12pm (followed by mass at 12.10pm).

• *We dedicate the whole month of November praying for all our faithful departed. Kindly write down the names of your loved ones who have gone before us in our Book of Life. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

• Please check the notice boards in the foyer for upcoming events.
• When visiting St Benedicts please DO NOT park illegally or block cars in.
Please see over page for parish weekly schedule and free parking details.

Please pray for those who are sick, recovering from surgery or needing our prayers, especially:
Phil Bawden, David Master, Eva Mitchell, Dave Harrop,
Patricia Goddard, Hilary Cleary, Bob Singer.

We remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Johanna & Genevieve Barcham, David Smyth, Ruth Hogan, Brian Henderson, Mary O'Brien, Katherine Mahoney, Edward Jones, Grace Mulligan, Evangeline Ashby, Dorothy Flemming, Patrick Keenan, Michael Swann, Helena Johnston, Myrtle Nicol, Joan Scanlan, Vicky Kennedy, Baldwin Furtado, Terence Nelson, Monica Managh, Audrey Brown, Jean Bruce, Christopher Byrne, Brian Mercer, Frank Dougherty, Thomas Ryan, John Foughy, Maureen Murphy, .
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