

15<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

We are making good progress and have found a team of Parishioners who will manage the door when we start with weekday Masses next week. Many thanks to those who have volunteered.

We will commence with weekday Masses starting on Monday next week and this is our schedule:

Holy Name of Jesus, Raglan:	Monday - 10.00 am
St. Columba's, Frankton :	Tuesday - 10.00 am.
	Wednesday - 10.00 am.
	Thursday - 5.30 pm for working people and their families.
	Friday - 10.00 am.
	Friday - 7.00 pm for working people and their families.
	Saturday - 10.00 am.

**A link will be sent out on Saturday so people can book in for the week.**

It is easy to book by using the link or Parishioners are welcome to email or phone me either on my landline or cell phone 021 616 950.

Those who have volunteered to manage the door do not have to book in.

Currently, under Alert Level 2 there are no Sunday Masses. You may watch livestream Masses by Bishop Steve via this link, every day at 9.00 am.

[Livestream Mass — Catholic Diocese of Hamilton \(cdh.org.nz\)](https://www.cdh.org.nz)

St Columba's Church will be opened during the day for private prayer, not for group prayers.

Normal Confessions will happen on Saturday morning at 9.30 am.

Please remember to scan the QR code or place your details into the box provided and wear a mask.

The Parish office will be open and operating more like a 'click and collect' set up. Parishioners are welcome to contact the Parish by phone or by email [stcol.parish@xtra.co.nz](mailto:stcol.parish@xtra.co.nz) or you may email me at [freamonkennedy@gmail.com](mailto:freamonkennedy@gmail.com)

Please keep in contact by phone with fellow Parishioners and if you discover they are not getting an email from me please forward their email address to me so I can add them to the Parish Google Groups.

As a suggestion for your daily prayer, I would encourage you all to read slowly one the Scripture readings of the day.

#### **Thursday's Scriptures**

**St Cornelius, Pope, (253) St Cyprian, Bishop (258) Memorial**

Second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 4:7-15

Psalm 125

John 17:11-19

**A short reflection.**

Today's Gospel shows Jesus praying to the Father. Praying for the things which are on his heart, which he is concerned about. It is good to see what prayer looks like. What does it look like for Jesus to pray and chat with his Father. Often it is not easy to pray and have a conversation with Jesus. When we read the Scriptures, Jesus speaks to us and when we pray, we speak to Jesus. This is a helpful thought to remember.

Kind regards

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