

18th September 2021

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Under Alert Level 2 restrictions we are still not having Sunday Mass, only weekday Masses. Bishop Steve will livestream the Sunday Mass at 9.00 am and here is the link

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

We wait and see what the outcome is from Monday's announcement from the government to see if our Alert Level restrictions change. Until then weekday Masses will begin as in the following schedule:

Here is the Link to book in for Mass on the weekdays. Parishioners are also welcomed to email or phone me either on my landline or cell phone 021 616 950 and I can book them in.

<https://www.cognitofirms.com/AlexBailey1/WeekdayMassBookingStColumbasFrankton>

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

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.

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 or you may email me at 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.

Sunday's Scriptures

Wisdom 2:12,17-20

Psalm 53:3-6,8

St James 3:16-43

Mark 9:30-37

A short reflection.

When we read the Scriptures, it is good to take a sentence or word from the reading and savour it. From our first reading the godless are trying to trap the virtuous and the sentence that I liked was "...explore this gentleness of his..." The word gentleness is such a beautiful word, which is the opposite to conflict or anger or similar feelings. The word gentleness has a sense of peace about it as well. What word or sentence speaks to you today from our readings?

Kind regards
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