

17<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Bishop Steve mentioned in his homily on Sunday that he will be giving a series of talks for five days on the Preparatory Document for the Synod. These talks can be viewed from the Hamilton Diocese website on the Synod. [Synod 21-23 — Catholic Diocese of Hamilton \(cdh.org.nz\)](https://www.cdh.org.nz/synod-21-23)

Currently, we are in Alert Level 3 and the churches remain closed for the mean time.

Bishop Steve's live streamed Mass is at 9.00 am everyday and here is the link:  
[Livestream Mass — Catholic Diocese of Hamilton \(cdh.org.nz\)](https://www.cdh.org.nz/livestream-mass)

The Parish office will be closed. 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)

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

### **Monday's Scriptures**

#### **St Luke, Evangelist - Feast**

Second letter of St Paul to Timothy 4:10-17

Psalms 144:10-13,17-18

Luke 10:1-9

### **A short reflection**

St Luke is the author of the third Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles. He is the only non-Jewish writer of the Gospels, being a Gentile. He was the companion St Paul in part of his journeys and while he was in prison. St Luke has some very beautiful stories which are only found in his Gospel such as the Prodigal Son and the Good Thief. St Luke became a Christian after Jesus' Resurrection and he wrote his Gospel by listening to those who knew Jesus and their stories. He wrote his Gospel between 70 and 85 AD.

Kind regards

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