

4th October 2021

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

We await what the government will decide for our Alert Level on Friday and we keep the people of Raglan and Hamilton East in our prayers.

We are now in Alert Level 3.

The churches are closed except for funerals and weddings up to a maximum of 10 people.

No weekday or Sunday Masses.

No communion to the sick.

Anointing of the sick is available if you contact me by phone or email.

The same Level 3 restrictions apply as set out by Bishop Steve on 29th August 2021.

Please let others know who are not getting emails from the Parish in case they need a refresher of what Alert Level 3 means for the Parish.

The Mass is live streamed and here is the link

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

The Parish office will be closed. 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

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

Tuesday's Scriptures

Jonah 3:1-10

Psalms 129:1-4,7-8

Luke 10:38-42

A short reflection

For three days in a row which began on Monday (Jonah 1:1-2,11) we will read from the Book of Jonah, which is a total of four chapters. On Monday, Jonah was running away from God. The sailors threw him into the sea to save those on the ship from a great storm and Jonah was swallowed up by a great fish (whale). Today Jonah preaches to the people and animals and they repent. On Wednesday (Jonah 4:1-11) he is arguing with God and he is not satisfied with what God has done. It is good to read this story of Jonah and feel what Jonah went through. Then Jonah's story becomes part of our story and journey of faith.

Kind regards

Fr Eamon Kennedy

freamonkennedy@gmail.com

ph 07 847 5688 ext 3

mobile 021 616 950

www.catholicfrankton.org.nz