

16th November 2021

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

As you book in for Mass, please consider attending the Saturday Vigil Mass at 7.00 pm, so this will take the pressure off the two Sunday Masses. If you need assistance to book in for Sunday Mass, please do not hesitate to contact me by email, landline or mobile.

Here is the link to book in for this Sunday's Mass at St Columba's.

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

At Alert Level 2, we will only have Mass at Raglan and not at Te Mata.

Holy Name of Jesus Raglan (no booking required)
Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm
St Columba's
Saturday Vigil 7.00 pm
Sunday 8.00 am
Sunday 10.00 am

Weekday Masses

The normal weekday Mass timetable has started at St Columba's, 9.00 am Mass every day except Saturday where there is no morning Mass and instead there will be the Vigil Mass at 7.00 pm.

Confessions

Confessions will happen on Saturday morning at 9.30 am and after each Sunday Mass at St Columba's.

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 let fellow Parishioners know that we have started to have Mass again 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.

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)

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

Wednesday's Scriptures

St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious (1207-1231) Memorial

First letter of St John 3:14-18

Psalm 33:2-11

Luke 6:27-38

A short reflection

St Elizabeth was born a princess, being the daughter of the king of Hungary. She married Ludwig IV who later died in the Crusades. She lived a life after the example of St Francis of Assisi. Some thought that she was squandering the treasures of the castle to feed the poor. Her husband found her out one night giving bread to the poor and questioned her about what was in her cloak. It fell open and red and white roses fell out. Her husband saw this miracle as a sign that she was working for God. What is inspiring about St Elizabeth is that she could have lived a life of luxury. Instead, she chose a simple life after the example of St Francis and spent her short life caring for the poor and sick. She died at the age of 24 and was canonized within four years.

Kind regards

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