

2nd November 2021

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

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)

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 to read slowly one the Scripture readings of the day.

Tuesday's Scriptures

St Martin de Porres, Religious (1579-1639) Optional Memorial

Romans 13:8-10

Psalm 111:1-2,4-5,9

Luke 14:25-33

A short reflection

As a youngster, St Martin de Porres trained to be a barber-surgeon. He learnt his trade of healing people before becoming a lay helper for the Dominicans. He cared for both the poor and rich and strayed animals. St Martin was often seen with cats, dogs and mice. There is a story about rats eating the linen and vestments in the sacristy and St Martin took responsibility for the problem saying that it was his fault because he had not fed them. He made an agreement with one rat whom he met up with in the garden, that if all the rats would all leave the monastery and live in a deserted barn, he would feed them daily. From that day forward they had no more problems with the rats in the monastery.

Prayers of the Faithful:

Let us pray for those in our community who have Covid. We pray for their speedy recovery.

We pray for those who are caring and looking after those who have Covid, that the Lord will keep them safe and assist them in their medical work.

We pray that the Holy Spirit will guide the decisions of our government.

We pray for the holy souls. May they rest in peace and see God face to face.

Kind regards

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