

St Columba's Parish Newsletter

20 November 2022

Christ the King

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Reflections on the Readings of the Day

2 Samuel 5:1-3 Colossians 1:12-20 Luke 23:35-43

Today's feast celebrates the kingship of Christ and his ongoing work of restoring all of creation to its proper relationship with God the Father. The Kingdom of Christ is a power that reaches down deep into our hearts and extends to the farthest reaches of the universe.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Sunday 8 am & 10 am

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturday morning at 9:30 am.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION TIMES

St Joseph's Fairfield Tuesday 13th December 7.00 pm.

St Columba's Thursday 15th December 7.00 pm

BIBLE DIARIES 2023 FOR SALE \$20.00

The Bible diary consists of daily prayers, readings, short reflections, Saints of the day and short quotes for the whole year. It is available in our parish church foyer. *It is a great gift for you and for your family and friends in New Year 2023.*

2023 COLUMBAN CALENDARS are now available from the Parish office at \$12.00 each. Order by email and collect. Payment by Eftpos, or correct change appreciated. If paying online, please use the Ref CAL.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

You are invited to come and learn about the Catholic Faith on Wednesday nights at 7.00 pm at the Parish Centre. For further enquiries, please email Fr. Eamon Kennedy at freamonkennedy@gmail.com

EFTPOS / TAP N GO / INTERNET BANKING

We now have **Eftpos** in the Parish, also a **Tap n Go** donation system in the foyer of the church which allows donations of \$5.00. For those who may wish to make a contribution via **Internet Banking**:

Parish Bank Acct: 020342 0050016 03

Ref: PLGVNG

Thank you to all who support the Parish financially.

SUNDAY MASSES & INTENTIONS			
Sunday	8.00 am		
Sunday	10.00 am	Parishioners	
WEEKDAY MASSES			
Monday	<i>Presentation of Mary</i>	9.00 am	Communion Service
Tuesday		9.00 am	Dec'd Members Soon & Thomsen Family
Wednesday		9.00 am	B Pasad RIP
Thursday	<i>St Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions</i>	9.00 am	Hill Family RIP
Friday		9.00 am	
Saturday		9.00 am	Holy Souls esp FoSS Members

NOVEMBER—MONTH OF ALL SOULS

'If death is not to have the last word, it is because in life we learned to die for one another.' Pope Francis
The month of November reflects the Christian tradition of praying for those who have gone before us into the eternal life promised to each of us at Baptism. We reaffirm the bonds of love that link us with all who have passed into eternity, and we pray for them as they do for us.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: First Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5 2nd Reading: Romans 13:11-14 Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

Diocesan Snippets

Religious Christmas Cards

St Vincent de Paul are again offering the opportunity to purchase cards which properly reflect the true meaning of Christmas at a very affordable price. Email office@ryanpublications.co.nz to order.

Catholic Family Support Services | Christmas Hamper Appeal

You can make a difference today. Small Hamper - \$50 / Large Hamper - \$100. Contact (07) 856 3760 or direct deposit into their account: 02-0342-0008002-00 (with your name and contact details).

Br Peter Bray Holy Land video message from Bethlehem to NZ

Bethlehem University Vice-Chancellor, Br Peter Bray FSC, *Ordinary People in an Extraordinary Place; Palestinians in the Holy Land*: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d2S_A4kBfeU. Read more about the video project: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/palestine-video1/>

Æsthetic Soul: Pictorial Art as Source of Theology

Thursday 24th November, 6:30-8:00pm via Zoom Speaker: Dr Christopher Longhurst
Register in advance: www.tekupenga.ac.nz/aesthetic-soul

INVITATION to a Peace Talk Friday November 25th, 6pm - 7pm Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Grey Street, Hamilton Opportunity to listen to and meet [Farid Ahmed](#) who has become a peace activist after the tragedy of the Christchurch mosque shooting.

Parish Leaders' Formation Day – Saturday 26 November 9:30 am Gerry Sullivan Centre, Hamilton

Sustain your ministry for your parish community with Dr [John Evangelista](#). Ph: Robert, 027-627 4475.
Register now

Mass for Life Friday 2 December, 7 pm at St Mary of the Angels, 17 Boulcott Street, Wellington.

For more information visit fli.org.nz/proliffevents or phone Clare 021 231 7954.

National March for Life Saturday 3 December Gather at Civic Square from 1 pm.

March to Parliament Grounds begins at 2 pm. Concludes at 4 pm. www.marchforlife.nz

The Diocese of Hamilton will be providing free transportation for those that need it (limited seats available) and also subsidised accommodation. [Click this link](#) in order to register and to find out more details about the trip!

Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women Monday 5th December - 7:00 pm

Charismatic Mass - Invitation for everyone, all women and their partners, family members, friends and children. Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Notices from *Titipounamu Study & Joy* Stories, Films & the Bible with Fr Kevin Waldie SM.

Monday 12 December: The Father (2020) Koha/Donation. ZOOM.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2022/11/15/stories-films-the-bible-2/>

PEACE that the World Cannot Give Silent Retreat, January 16th – 19th 2023, University of Waikato

Learn the art of silent prayer & uncover the wellspring of peace in your heart.

www.christianmeditationnz.org.nz or contact Linda Polaschek, 020 479 7955

2023 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1 Formation Course 19 – 22 January & 14 – 16 April,

Sacred Heart Parish Centre, Ponsonby, Auckland. Contact cgsaotearoa@gmail.com

Divine Renovation Australasia Conference | 10th - 12th February 2023 | Sydney

Learn more and register today at divinerenovation.org/draus2023