

St Columba's Parish Newsletter

25 June 2023

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Reflections on the Readings of the Day

Jeremiah 20:10-13 Romans 5:12-15 Matthew 10:26-33

Today's Gospel is directed not just to the Twelve, but to all who accept the invitation to follow Jesus and proclaim his Gospel. We must not be afraid of confrontation. What are the issues in our lives that today's Gospel invites us to confront?

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Sunday 8 am and 10 am

CONFESSION The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated:

- after the Saturday morning Mass.
- before and after the Sunday Masses.

Please sit in the back seat of the church.

BILLETING ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED for Nhat, one of the Vietnamese students currently here in the Parish studying English prior to gaining enrolment in the seminary next year.

Contact Chris: chrisp@cdh.org.nz

SALES TABLE After 10 am Mass today there will be a sales table with hand knitted items and greeting cards available for purchase. Payment by cash only please. All proceeds to Dementia Waikato.

PETERS PENCE A special collection will be taken up **next Sunday 2 July** for the support of the Pope's charitable works. Thank you.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

You are invited to come and learn about the Catholic Faith. Our programme runs weekly on **Wednesday nights at 7.00 pm** at the Parish Centre which is next door to St Columba's Catholic Church.

For further enquiries, please email Fr. Eamon Kennedy at freamonkennedy@gmail.com

FINANCIAL REPORT St Columba's Financial Report 2022 is now available from the church foyer, with the update of the maintenance projects which have been completed and those that are ongoing.

PLANNED GIVING New sets of planned giving envelopes are available to you this weekend in the marked box in the church foyer. Sets of special envelopes for those on Automatic Payment are also available to be picked up. Thank you.

SUNDAY MASSES & INTENTIONS			
Sunday	8.00 am		
	10.00 am	Parishioners	
WEEKDAY MASSES			
Monday	9.00 am	Communion Service	
Tuesday	9.00 am	Holy Souls esp FoSS Members	
Wednesday	<i>St Irenaeus</i>	9.00 am	Dec'd Members of Pereira / Hill Family RIP
Thursday	<i>Sts Peter & Paul</i>	9.00 am	
Friday	9.00 am	Forgotten Souls	
Saturday	9.00 am		

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: 2nd Book of the Kings 4:8-11, 14-16 2nd Reading: Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 Gospel: Mt 10:37-42

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 **\$7.00**. 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.

CHURCH LIFE SURVEY OF HAMILTON CITY PARISHES The Hamilton Diocese would like to hear from all Parishioners in the city of Hamilton through this survey; and in particular what your experiences are of the present, so we can make plans for the future for Hamilton city Parishes. To participate online, scan



the QR code, or use the link: <https://clsnz.org/chis96Be2rldawic/01H27EM5DS44YN5CZGZ2VY11WZ/en-rc>

Hard copies are available from the Church foyer to be returned to the Parish office, please.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Diocesan Snippets

Host Family in Hamilton Required

Hamilton diocese is looking for billeting accommodation for one of our Vietnamese pre-seminarians until February 2024, in Hamilton City and close to a bus stop. Remuneration will be provided
Contact Chris at the Chanel Centre chrisp@cdh.org.nz

Sunday June 25 El Shaddai Community Praise and Worship 1.00-4.00 pm St Columba's Parish, 50 Rifle Range Road, Dinsdale. Holy Rosary, Testimonies, Word of God, Healing Message. *Are you yearning to have a personal encounter with the Lord?* For more info, contact Rannie, 021 296 7078.

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy www.studyjoy.nz

***Mary in the Scriptures** with Kieran Fenn fms. **Mondays, 26 June & 03/10 July**, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.

Fee: free. Donation/Koha appreciated. <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/04/25/mary-in-the-scriptures/>

***Focus on Target - Draw Fresh Momentum** with Laetitia Puthenpadath

Tuesdays, 04/11/18 July, 12.30-1.30pm. ZOOM. Fee: \$20/session or \$70/4 sessions.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/01/11/focus-on-target-draw-fresh-momentum/>

Holy Family Parish, Te Atatu Conference with Dr Peter Holmes Saturday 1 July

Topic: *The Mission of Masculinity*. Please contact 09 834 6677 for more information.

Catholic Youth Office Community Dinner Saturday 1 July for those doing it tough or living life on the streets. If you would like to support the dinner with a monetary donation, please contact Jill at jily@cdh.org.nz or Danielle at danimourits@gmail.com

Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women Monday 3rd July 7 - 9pm

Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 494 Grey Street Hamilton East.

Topic: *Holy Spirit, He Loves Me* **Speaker:** Helen Smithson

For more information please contact Megan on 021 750586 or nzdove.hamilton@gmail.com

Young Adults Retreat, Exult 2023 Narrows Park in Hamilton **July 13 - 16.** [Registration](#)

Common Good Foundation - Catholic care in action

Our Calf Rearing Scheme is a contributing source of income for the Foundation, enabling us to provide financial support to caring works in our Dioceses. We are seeking farmers willing to make a virtual donation or pledge to raise and sell a calf or lamb. Contact Jessica at admin@commongood.org.nz or call 07 856 6989.