

St Columba's Parish Newsletter

4 June 2023

Trinity Sunday

Year A

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Reflections on the Readings of the Day

Exodus 34:4-6. 8-9 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 John 3:16-18

The Holy Trinity is one of the mysteries of our faith. God is a Trinity of persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. They are three distinct persons; yet, they are all one God, in perfect harmony. The Gospel tells us that the risen Lord does not leave his disciples, but remains with them for all time. Through our Baptism, we are called to share in this loving relationship between Father and Son, in the Holy Spirit.

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.

ROSARY PRAYER

The rosary will be prayed straight after the 8 am and 10 am Sunday Masses in the church next to the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

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.

TAX RECEIPTS are available to you this weekend in the marked box in the church foyer. Thank you.

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.

SUNDAY MASSES & INTENTIONS			
Sunday	8.00 am	Holy Souls esp FoSS Members	
	10.00 am	Parishioners	
WEEKDAY MASSES			
Monday	<i>St Boniface</i>	9.00 am	Communion Service
Tuesday	<i>St Marcellin Champagnat</i>	9.00 am	
Wednesday		9.00 am	
Thursday		9.00 am	
Friday		9.00 am	Holy Souls esp FoSS Members
Saturday		9.00 am	

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Body and Blood of Christ

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 8:2-3. 14-16 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17 Gospel: John 6:51-58

THE HOLY TRINITY

Today the Church celebrates the mystery of the Holy Trinity: one God in three divine persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Each person is God, whole and entire. It is the Father who generates, the Son who is begotten, and the Holy Spirit who proceeds. The whole work of creation and grace is common to all three divine persons, so that all things are from the Father, through the Son and in the Holy Spirit.

Catechism of the Catholic Church #254

Diocesan Snippets

Pro-Life Essay writing competition

The aim of this essay competition is for students to examine, through sound research and critical analysis, the Catholic perspective on the issue of abortion. Total prize pool of \$1200.

It is open to all students in Year Levels 10 - 13. Please email prolifeessaycompetition@gmail.com

Dove Catholic Women's Fellowship Meeting - Monday 5th June, 7 - 9pm Cathedral Grey St, Hamilton
All women, all ages, all walks of life, very welcome.

For more info or transport please contact Megan on 021 750 586 or nzdove.hamilton@gmail.com

The NZ Catholic Medical Association provides pastoral care and chaplaincy for people involved in health care. **Retreat and Seminar 9-10 June**, at the Home of Compassion, Island Bay, Wellington.

Register for this event at www.newzealandcatholicmedical.co.nz

For general inquiries email: newzealandcatholicmedical@gmail.com.

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy www.studyjoy.nz

***Mary in the Scriptures** with Kieran Fenn fms. **Mondays, 19/26 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, 27 June & 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 Thursday 29 June – Saturday 1 July.

Topics: *Health Sexuality in a Pornified World, Life Hacks for a Happy Marriage, The Mission of Masculinity*. Please contact 09 834 6677 for more information.

Registrations for ACTIV8 are now open! Monday 21 – Friday 25 August

For more than 10 years, the ACTIV8 Pro-Life Training week has been equipping Kiwis to become a more effective and compassionate voice on abortion, euthanasia and other pro-life issues. [Register here](#)

Synodal Response Document The Federation of Catholic Bishops Conferences of Oceania recently approved the final version of the Federation's response to *Enlarge the Space of Your Tent*, the Working Document for the Continental Stage of the Synod of Bishops for a Synodal Church. A PDF copy of the response can be found [here](#)

Tour To The Holy Land April 9-20 2024

Fr Chris Friel from Timaru will lead a 12-day tour to Israel and Jordan, beginning in Amman on April 9 and concluding in Jerusalem on April 20th 2024. For full itinerary and details please contact Peter Fleming at Pilgrimage Tours in Auckland at: www.thetravelwarehouse.co.nz Ph. 0800 356 728.

Join the Caritas Team!

At Caritas, it's our mission to be known as 'love in action', if you want to join us in this mission, email us on Caritas@caritas.org.nz or see the link: <https://www.caritas.org.nz/work-with-us>

Fundraiser for Catholic School in Israel www.holysepulchrenz.org.nz

New Zealand members of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem are helping fund the installation of a fire sprinkler system for the Elementary Greek Melkite Catholic School. Please see [attached](#) for more details. Payment may be made to their account 02 0108 0620770 000. Put your name and "GM" in the reference section.