

SCRIPTURE READINGS
 Next Week: Ascension of the Lord
 1st Reading: Acts 1:1-11
 2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:1-13
 Gospel: Mark 16:15-20

CHURCH CLEANERS THIS WEEK 14/15 May
 M Borda & Filipino Community, G Pineda

PARISH INCOME

	FEB	MAR
Env:	\$4162	\$4142
AP's:	\$6544	\$7596
Loose:	\$2177	\$3045

30% of totals goes to Clergy Trust A/c for Priests

PRAYER CHAIN
 If you know of anyone in need of our prayer support, please email stcol.parish@xtra.co.nz
 This week: Donna, Nancy, Barbara, Doris, Lewis, Jaimie, Lucy, Slawek, Gerry, Tui, Margaret, Delia, Pat

HOSPITALITY
 This week:
 8.00 a. m Volunteers, please
 10.00 a. m Youth
 Beth Ranapiri Ph:022 434 5276

Next week:
 8.00 a. m. Matthew & Claire Brew Ph 847 5474
 10.00 a. m. Iraqi Community
 Wafa & Ghassan Basheer Ph: 855 1620



PRAYER OF ST COLUMBA
*Be a bright flame before me, O God
 a guiding star above me.
 Be a smooth path below me,
 a kindly shepherd behind me
 today, tonight, and for ever.*

MINISTRY ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK		Ascension Sunday 16 May		
Ministers	Readers	Prayers	Gifts	Greeter
8.00 am Father, Deacon	E Blithe, K Ranapiri	M Zampese	Brew Family	M / C Brew
10.00 am G Pineda, M Daborn	G Duncan, A Fransen	K Martinez	Kapeli Family	P Bright
Altar Servers				Data Projector
8.00 am Isabelle Differ, Daisy D-Incensing				Rejo J
10.00 am Caleb Fernandes (C), Leiana Silvestre (L), Cyrelle Carpio, Cianelle Carpio, Carlos S-Incensing				Anna T

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Thursdays after Mass from 9:30 am until 3:30 pm
Encounter with the Risen Christ
Jesus speaks in silence in the Mystery of the Eucharist. He reminds us every time that following him means going out of ourselves and not making our life a possession of our own, but rather a gift to him and to others.
 Pope Francis Corpus Christi 2013

New Parishioners If you are new to the Parish, welcome! Please complete the details below and place in the collection basket, or hand in to the Parish Office.

Family members' names.....

 Address

Phone NoEmail

I wish to receive offering envelopes I wish to contribute using Automatic Payment

I wish to use internet banking

Parish Bank Acct: 020342 0050016 003 Ref: PLGVNG

Saint Columba's Catholic Church

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Email: stcol.parish@xtra.co.nz

9 MAY 2021 Sixth Sunday of Easter Year B

OFFICE HOURS
MON 12.00 pm - 5:00 pm
NOT OPEN TUESDAY
WED-FRI
12.00 pm. - 5.00 pm.

CONFESSION TIMES
Saturday 9:30—10 am
Sunday 9:15—9:45 am

PARISH PRIEST
 Father Eamon Kennedy

PARISH DEACONS
 Tony Frogley
 Bill Wells
 Lou Zampese

PARISH SECRETARY
 Lydia Whiteley

FINANCE SECRETARY
 Jill Belk

YOUTH LEADER
 Beth Ranapiri
 (Youth Ph: 027 952 2590)

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL
 Gareth Duncan

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES
 Kerry Ranapiri
 School Ph 847-9322

RAGLAN MASS TIMES
SATURDAY 5.00 PM
 1st, 15th & 29th May
Raglan
 8th & 22nd May
Te Mata

Reflections on the Readings of the Day
Acts of the Apostles 10:25-26. 34-35.44-48 1 John 4:7-10 John 15:9-17
 The image of the vine continues into today's Gospel. As members of Christ's risen body, we are to bear fruit in our lives through the love we show for one another.



MOTHERS DAY
Loving God, we thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us. We ask you to bless them today with your own special love. *Amen.*



TAX RECEIPTS *Planned Giving Tax Receipts are now available for collection in the marked box in the church foyer.*

MONTH OF MARY Flores de Mayo (Flowers of May) is a traditional devotion to Mary observed in the Philippines. A Rosary will be prayed in the Parish *every Sunday during May* at 4 pm.



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY
 In the week between Ascension and Pentecost Sunday the churches celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The theme for this year's Week of Prayer is *Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit* (cf. Jn 15:5-9).

SUNDAY MASSES & INTENTIONS

Sunday	8.00 am	Des McBride RIP
Sunday	10.00 am	Parishioners

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday	9.00 am	<i>Liturgy of the Word</i>
Tuesday	9.00 am	Sean Coe RIP
Wednesday	9.00 am	Forgotten Souls
Thursday	9.00 am	Amar & Dylan Kettule RIP
Friday	<i>St Matthias</i>	9.00 am
Saturday	9.00 am	

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The Parish has a new website, www.catholicfrankton.org.nz
For example, the newsletter will be put on the website each week.



It is wonderful to have started the RCIA; and please keep those in your prayers who are considering joining the Church. The RCIA will run **every Wednesday at 7.00 pm** in the Parish Centre and interested persons can join at any time: please do encourage your family, friends and neighbours to come.

Thank you also to the parishioners who attended last Wednesday. The RCIA programme is not limited just to those who are wanting to join the Church, parishioners are welcome to come as well.

Hopefully, we will start Alpha in our Parish in the beginning of September and we will need to create a team of willing parishioners who will assist to run it.

Kind regards, Fr Eamon Kennedy

DIRECTED RETREATS AT THE TYBURN MONASTERY IN NGAKURU - May 2021

Weekday Directed Retreat-16th - 21st May
Directed by Fr Richard Shortall SJ
To register: visit cdh.org.nz/events

DIOCESAN STRATEGIC PASTORAL PLAN LAUNCH - Saturday 22 May 10 am - 1 pm St Joseph's, Morrinsville.

This is a **free** event, however registration is essential as lunch is being provided.
**Mass will be at 9 am.*

Register at events.cdh.nz or you can call Brigid Conroy on 07 856 6989.

CURRENT OF GRACE HAMILTON DIOCESE Moving Forward Together

with Rita and Roger Peterson
St Mary's Catholic Church Hall
40 Seddon St, Rotorua

Saturday 29 May 10.00 - 3.00

Please bring a shared lunch

Contact: Helen 027 294 1270

DINNER FOR THE HOMELESS—Sat May 29

The youth office would like to extend a very sincere thanks to all! They are now only needing new unused toiletries as donations. These can be dropped off to the youth office at the Chanel Centre or placed in the labelled box in the cathedral foyer. If you have any questions about the dinner please email Danielle: daniellem@cdh.org.nz.

ONLINE ZOOM SESSIONS

Online Sessions (Evening):

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ with Br Kieran Fenn. **Mondays 10, 17, 24 May.**

7 - 8.30 pm. Fee: \$25/session. ZOOM.
All sessions connected but also stand alone.

AGM OF THE COMMON GOOD FOUNDATION

The 2021 Annual General Meeting of the **Common Good Foundation** will be held on **Tuesday 25 May at 7 pm** at the Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Hamilton. All welcome to attend. To register, please email admin@commongood.org.nz

PASTORAL CARE & SUPPORT CONFERENCE

The NZ Catholic Medical Association is holding a Pastoral Care and Support conference for Catholic health practitioners at Our Lady's Home of Compassion in Island Bay, Wellington from 3pm **Friday 28 May** to 3pm **Saturday 29 May**. Registration www.newzealandcatholicmedical.co.nz

ONSITE EVENT Saturday 29 May Ancient rock-hewn churches in Ethiopia

A presentation by Nic Birt in St Mark's Coptic Orthodox church, Birkdale. **Saturday 29 May, 7—9pm**. Free.

For registration: info@studyjoy.nz

TE KUPENGA now offering National Safeguarding training online.

For more information or to enrol, contact: Susan Wilson; s.wilson@ctc.ac.nz

40 DAYS FOR LIFE 2021 thanks everyone who supported this year's campaign. Your efforts have contributed to the amazing world-wide result:- 755 babies saved from abortion; 11 abortion workers converted and 3 abortion facilities shut down!

2019-2024 VISION / MISSION STATEMENT FOR ST COLUMBA'S PARISH "Hearts Burning for Love of Christ and Service to Others"



ST COLUMBA'S YOUTH

Youth Mass every 2nd Sunday of each month at **10 am**.

Next Youth Mass: **Today Sunday 9 May**

Youth Co-ordinator: **Beth Ranapiri**. Contact: 022 434 5276

G-FORCE is back and better than ever: G-Force is the youth group for our Year 7 and 8's run by our Parish youth. It is a safe place where our students can be together to make friends, have fun and deepen their faith.
Come along and join in!

Where Te Manawa School Hall

When: Contact Beth: 022 434 5276



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

You are invited to come and learn about the Catholic Faith.

This will run weekly **every Wednesday night, 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm** at St. Columba's Catholic Church in the Parish Centre.

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



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE Monday 10 May

General Meeting: 1:00 pm Contact: Shirley: 021 737 873 / 849 1888 All welcome.

ALTAR SERVERS' PRACTICE Wednesday 19 May 4:30-6 pm

There will be an altar servers' practice on **Wednesday 19 May** in the church starting at 4.30 pm, followed by games in the Parish Centre, finishing at 6 pm.
Please call Heidi to confirm your child will be attending - 021 686 959.



SCRIPTURE CELL GROUPS Next meeting Thursday 20 May, 7:30 pm

Reflecting on the Gospel reading of the coming Sunday.
Meeting fortnightly at 7:30 pm. All enquiries please contact Parish Office: 847 5688.

A MEETING AT THE RAGLAN CATHOLIC CHURCH Thursday 20 May

On **Thursday 20 May** at 7.00 pm there will be a public meeting at the Raglan Catholic Church to discuss some major building issues facing the Raglan Catholic Church.
All interested persons are welcome to attend.

FOR THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH Tuesday 1 June or Wednesday 2 June

Fr Carl Telford SM will be giving a talk on St Joseph at St Columba's Frankton. You are invited to attend on either **Tuesday 1 June** at 7.00 pm or **Wednesday 2 June** at 10.00 am. There will be a short time of adoration after each session and Confession will also be available. *All are welcome.*



SEMINARY APPEAL 2021:

Help our Future Priests on Their Spiritual Journey

May God bless you for your gifts and your continued prayers for our Seminarians.

Please find Bishop Steve's Letter at seminaryappeal.cdh.nz

Thank you for considering generously supporting me in the formation of our future priests.