

WELCOME

to the Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary
and the Church of St Matthew

Jesus says in today's Gospel, "No one takes my life from me, but I lay it down on my own." Jesus' intrinsic freedom is the shining quality here. He was not "compelled" or "obligated" or "coerced" into the path that led to Calvary: he chose it.

WEEKLY MASSES AND LITURGIES

Cathedral:

Vigil (Saturday) 6pm, Sunday 7:30am, 10:30am, 6pm

MONDAY

8am

No 12:05pm Liturgy with
Communion

TUESDAY

8am

11:30am confessions
12:05pm

WEDNESDAY

8am

11:30am confessions
12:05pm

THURSDAY

8am

11:30am confessions
12:05pm

FRIDAY

8am

11:30am confessions
12:05pm

St Matthews Hillcrest:

Sunday 8:30am, Monday 9:15am Mass, Thursday 9:15am Liturgy

Pentecost Sunday 23 May –

International Mass at 10:30am

At this Mass we will celebrate the cultural diversity of our parish with national costumes and the involvement of different languages in the Liturgy. If your group would like to be represented, please email: andrea@cathedral.cdh.nz

We pray for the Repose of the Soul of Fr Frank O'Regan who died last Wednesday. His Requiem will be held at the Cathedral on Tuesday at midday. May he rest in peace.

The Bishop has announced the following clergy changes:

Fr Richard Laurenson, Parish Priest of All Saints by the Sea Parish, Papamoa Coast.

Fr Matthew Gibson, Assistant Priest of All Saints by the Sea Parish, Papamoa Coast.

Fr Stuart Young, Parish Priest, Parish of the Holy Cross, Hamilton North

Fr Richard Cortes MSP, Assistant Priest of St Mary Star of the Sea Parish Gisborne (effective 8/9 May 2021).

Deacon Isaac Fransen, Assistant Priest Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Hamilton and St Matthews' Parish, Hillcrest.

Apart from Father Cortes, the shifts are effective from the weekend of 24/25 July 2021, after the ordination of Deacon Isaac Fransen to the priesthood.

Welcome to the faith community Abigail May MacKinnon, daughter of Ryan & Susan; Dhainyel Llana Cortez, daughter of Linda & Jeffrey; Catherine Tresa Jayson, daughter of Remya & Jayson; Conor Brian Casey, son of Caren & Jason; Jade Mira Pelobello Bantang, daughter of Norvega & Jeffrey. These children will be baptised today.

Our prayerful sympathy to the family of Kazimierz (Jim) Dudek who died last week. Jim was husband of Irena, and brother-in-law of Krystyna Dudek and Marianna Vazey. His funeral service was held in the Cathedral last Saturday. May he rest in peace.

Dinner for the homeless The Catholic Youth Office is looking for donations to provide those on the streets with some warm things this winter. If you can donate, please drop off your donation to the labelled box at the back of the Cathedral or to the Youth Office at the Chanel Centre.

St John's College information evening: Thursday 20 May between 6pm -8pm in the Gymnasium. Register online <http://sjc2021.eventzilla.net>. For further information contact 856 7091 or email secretary@stjohns-hamilton.school.nz

Jesus Youth NZ initiates Hours of Mercy - Eucharistic Adoration

7am to 7pm every Saturday from 10 April – 22 May in the Convent Chapel.

Diocesan Strategic Pastoral Plan Launch - 22 May 2021, 10 am - 1pm St Joseph's Morrinsville Bishop Steve and the pastoral services team will present the vision for the next 5 years as well as particular areas of focus. This is a **free** event open to all the people of the diocese. Register at events.cdh.nz or call Brigid 07 856 6989

SEMINARY APPEAL 2021 : Help our Future Priests on Their Spiritual Journey

The Seminary Appeal goes towards the upkeep and staffing of Holy Cross Seminary and Good Shepherd College as well as providing full board.

Please see Bishop Steve's Letter at seminaryappeal.cdh.nz or on the noticeboard.

Ways To Support :

- ENVELOPE in the collection
- ONLINE at seminaryappeal.cdh.nz
- AUTOMATIC PAYMENT to:
RC Bishop of Hamilton
02 0342 0050008 003
Your Name & Reference: SA 2021

Anzac Day

Sunday 25 April



Lest We Forget

**Readings for this Weekend:
Fourth Sunday of Easter**

1st Reading: Acts 4:8-12

2nd Reading: 1 John 3:1-2

Gospel: John 10:11-18

**Readings for this Weekend:
Fifth Sunday of Easter**

1st Reading: Acts 9:26-31

2nd Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

Gospel: John 15:1-8