

# WELCOME

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

**New Presbytery.** Later in the year plans for a new presbytery will be presented to the Parish. The project will involve a lot of work and therefore a Project Committee needs to be set up. If you have expertise in the following areas you may be able to help; project management, building, construction trades, fundraising, finance management, communication and presentation skills. If you are able to help then please get in touch with Fr Darren at: [pastor@cathedral.cdh.nz](mailto:pastor@cathedral.cdh.nz)

## WEEKLY MASSES AND LITURGIES

Cathedral:

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

### MONDAY

8am

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

We have had very little response for involvement at this Mass but would really like to celebrate our cultural diversity on that day.

We need, musicians, prayers of the faithful readers, offertory, and procession of the word. This may involve individuals or cultural groups. Don't be shy! Please email: [andrea@cathedral.cdh.nz](mailto:andrea@cathedral.cdh.nz)

Dear Lord,

Today we remember our mothers, for the women they were and are, for the gift of life they gave to us each, for our upbringing and for the love our mothers showed to us in the best way they knew how.

We thank you that in the role of mother you ensured that each child would receive unconditional love and nurturing. We are really grateful today for this special gift.

We remember today Lord young mums who struggle with knowing how to be good mums. It is not something everyone finds natural or easy, and so we ask that you will give young mums, discernment, patience, healing, the support they need from their partners, and plenty of sleep.

Today we remember mothers of older children who try to cope with school age children. In the busyness of their lives let them know that you are over all and that your protecting love and care is with them and their children.

We think of mums with teenage children. Dear Lord in these difficult years of letting go, and watching them form their own identities and reasons for being, let us trust that the love and care with which they have been raised will form the foundation on which they will build their lives.

Help us as parents not to always have to be in control, but to learn the art of trusting you through this journey.

For those here whose children have grown into adulthood, we ask only that our children be happy and live a life that is full of the beauty of your love. Amen

**Our prayerful sympathy** to Pat & Carol Berry following the death of Pat's Dad Merv. Merv was a regular Saturday night parishioner here at the Cathedral. His Requiem was held on Saturday. May he rest peacefully.

**Welcome to the faith community** Finn Connor Kenny, son of Andrea & Jay; Stella-Belle Gulla, daughter of Kristine & Paul; Adrian Douglas & Mikayla Jennifer Lander, children of Kirsty & Anthony; Evan James Howell, son of Rebecca & Matthew. These children will be baptised at the Cathedral today.

**Can you play the piano? Are you interested in joining a relief roster to occasionally play at Mass?** We are seeking new volunteers who have this talent to share with us. Please email [newsletter@cathedral.cdh.nz](mailto:newsletter@cathedral.cdh.nz) for further information.

**Join the Hamilton Cathedral Choir:** Do you play the piano? The Cathedral choir is looking for a new accompanist. We sing a variety of classical and contemporary music, and desperately need a pianist or organist as our current accompanist has just started a new job out of Hamilton. If interested contact James 021 893 001.

**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](http://events.cdh.nz) or call Brigid 07 856 6989

**Save the Date:** Deacon Isaac Fransen will be ordained a Priest here at the Cathedral on Saturday 17 July at 11am.

**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](http://seminaryappeal.cdh.nz) or on the noticeboard.  
Ways to support :

- ENVELOPE in the collection
- ONLINE at [seminaryappeal.cdh.nz](http://seminaryappeal.cdh.nz)
- AUTOMATIC PAYMENT to:

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# The Lords Day

Sunday 9 May



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

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 1 John 4:7-10

**Gospel:** John 15:9-17

**Readings for this Weekend:  
Ascension of the Lord**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Acts 1:1-11

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Ephesians 4:1-13

**Gospel:** Mark 16:15-20