WELCOME

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

Faith lifts us up, by God's grace, properly positioning ourselves to see all God has made in the fullness of its beauty and meaning. Faith allows us to see the wholeness, healing, and unconditional love that is possible only with God.

WEEKLY MASSES AND LITURGIES

Cathedral:

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

MONDAY

8am

12:05pm Liturgy with Communion

THURSDAY

8am

TUESDAY

11:30am confessions

8am

12:05pm

11:30am confessions

FRIDAY 8am

12:05pm

11:30am confessions

WEDNESDAY

8am

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St Matthews Hillcrest:

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

Deacon Isaac Fransen will be ordained to the Priesthood on Saturday 17 July at 11am in the Cathedral.

His Thanksgiving Mass will be held at St Matthews Hillcrest on Sunday 18 July at 10:30am. All parishioners are welcome to both celebrations.

Next Saturday 3 July there will be an Anointing of the sick Mass in the Cathedral at 11am. Please join us followed by a light lunch.

> "My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I think I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you.

And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire.

And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me,

and you will never leave me to face my perils alone."

-Thomas Merton

A number of our parishioners have lost loved ones recently. Our prayerful sympathy to the Mission Sisters following the death of Sr Mary Carmel Horan; to the Prendergast and Gibson families following the death of a much loved baby grand daughter and niece, Ava May Davison; to Marian Panettiere and family following the death of Marian's mum Mary Zeeders; to Michelle Jordan-Tong and Shane Tong following the death of Michelle's mother Barbara; and to Debra White and family after the passing of her mum, Zaida (Anne). May all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Today at the 10:30am Mass we welcome the families of those enrolled in the RCIC programme for school age children to learn about the Sacraments of Initiation. The group of 90 students has met over the past two Mondays and today they attend Mass, have a shared lunch and attend a retreat this afternoon. Please pray for them as they embark on this faith journey.

Do you have 30 mins to spare to help serve morning tea after the 10.30am Mass on a Sunday? If so please contact Evon 027 471 1491 to be included in the roster.

Parish-based Initiative. Are there needs in the parish community which require addressing? Is there some way to offer support to those affected by a lack of food, shelter, companionship, or hope? There is now an avenue to fund parish-based projects to cater for the needs of the disadvantaged through the Common Good Foundation. If you have any ideas, please check out the poster in the foyer and discuss your suggestion with your priest. More information can be found at www.commongood.org.nz Together we can create an impact for the needy in your community.

Vacancy - Pastoral Resource Designer Based in the Hamilton Office (Chanel Centre), this is a full time role working in the Pastoral Services Team for the Catholic Diocese of Hamilton. This role is focussed on creating formational video content. Applicants must have filmmaking experience and be proficient in using the Adobe Suite. Applications close Friday 9 July. Visit cdh.org.nz/jobs for the position description and application form.

Enrolments for the First Communion and Confirmation programme are available now. Any child aged 8 or over, (Year 4) and is a baptised Catholic is eligible. Please collect from the Parish office or email andrea@cathedral.cdh.nz

Are you interested in coming to help with a working bee to help tidy up the gardens around the old parish centre? Please contact Paul 856 3934 to offer your help.

Reminder: Collection for Fr Matt will be next weekend 3 / 4 July. Should you wish to donate online the account number is: 02 0342 0050016 05. Please use Fr Matt as the reference.

The Lords Day

27 June



Readings for this Weekend: 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians: 8:7-9, 13-15 Gospel: Mark 5:21-43 Readings for next Weekend: 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians: 12:7-10 Gospel: Mark 6:1-6