A NEW 'FAMILY CLUB' is starting up! First meeting in STM parish lounge Sun, 22 Nov from 10.30-12.30pm. For more detail please email Pam Heaton pamsam21@hotmail.com

**COLUMBAN CALENDARS ON SALE:** \$12. After Mass or at parish office. Stocks are getting low—so purchase now to avoid disappointment!

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL** will be selling their Christ in Christmas Cards in the foyer this weekend. Packs of 5 cards for \$3.00.

## MULTI FLORAL HONEY FOR SALE in 1.2kg pots (fundraiser for parish):

1.2kgs of honey are available for sale from the parish office for \$15. The honey has kindly been donated by a parishioner who is a local beekeeper. Office is open Tues to Fri 9am to noon.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEETING**: The next Branch meeting will be 10.00am on **Thurs**, **19 Nov**, at the St Thomas More church center. Trading table and raffle. Our speaker is Anthony Mills, Principal for the new Suzanne Aubert School, followed by morning tea.

**PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP: St Patricks Family Group** meeting today, **Sun, 15 Nov** at 12 noon at Bayswater Village Cafe for Lunch. Any queries ph Merrilyn 575 4148.

MARTIN SOCIAL GROUP: Our end of year gathering will be on Tues, 1 Dec at noon. We will have a catered lunch and a chance to catch up to mark the end of the year. Our numbers are restricted to 20 so it will be first in best dressed!! The cost per head will be advised to you at the weekend please let Stan know by then if you will be able to join us Ph 544 7955.

#### MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Just got engaged? Visit https://

<u>www.cdh.org.nz/marriage</u> for info on marriage preparation course dates and to register your interest.

**FOUND:** Coloured bracelet found in church – phone or visit parish office to collect.

**NEW WEBSITE:** www.allsaintsbythesea.nz Parish Priest: Fr Stuart Young; EM <u>pp@allsaintsbythesea.nz</u> 17 Gloucester Rd, Mt Maunganui 3116. Ph 07 575 4807 (Parish office Ex 2)

EM: admin@allsaintsbythesea.nz Office hours: 9am to 12 noon Mon to Fri



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## No 9am Masses at STM on MONDAY or SATURDAY.

**HOSPITALITY SUNDAY TODAY after 9.30am Mass:** All are welcome to come to the parish lounge and have morning tea. Sausages/chicken nibbles & cherrios—tea & coffee.

#### ARE WE USING OUR GIFTS/TALENTS FOR THE GREATER GOOD?

This is the challenge Jesus places before us this weekend. As this year draws to a close it is appropriate to reflect on this. We are very entering the season of Advent, one **important** aspect of **Advent** in the Roman **Catholic Church**, especially before 16 December, is to prepare for the Second Coming of Christ in judgement at the end of time.

For many because of Covid-19 you were not able to have reconciliation at Easter, we are required "after having attained the age of discretion, each of the faithful is bound by an obligation faithfully to <u>confess serious sins</u> at least once a year" (CCC 1457), a date for public rite 1 confession at St Thomas More Church will hopefully be "after having attained the age of discretion, each of the faithful is bound by an obligation faithfully to <u>confess serious</u> serious sins at least once a year" (CCC 1457), a date for public rite 1 confession at St Thomas More Church will hopefully be "after having attained the age of discretion, each of the faithful is bound by an obligation faithfully to <u>confess serious</u> sins at least once a year" (CCC 1457) advised next week.

As part of the establishment Board of Trustees I was fortunate to be able to visit the site to view progress during the week. I was amazed as to how advanced the progress is. We toured the administration area which is about to have internal painting commence. The 2 teaching pods are also well advanced, the junior pod is closed in and having internal gibbing installed, the second pod is awaiting glass to be fitted and then internal work can start at pace. Ground work is currently removing surplus soil and completing the car park. Everyone is confident that the property will be handed over to the board in early January 2021. The school will be officially opened on 3 February 2021, more details to come in the new year. *Fr Stuart* 

#### CHRISTMAS GIVING TO OUR SICK & HOUSEBOUND PARISHIONERS: We

would like to give each person a small gift of homemade shortbread to those who receive Holy Communion at home or those who are housebound. If you are able to match a batch of shortbread please contact parish office.

### CHRISTMAS GIFT GIVING:

**Presents needed for those less fortunate than others.** Presents will be given to St Vincent de Paul to distribute to those families that are in need. Please leave in the library area—place in box. If presents are wrapped please leave a note as to whether for boy or girl and age. Presents collected until **Sun, 5 Dec**. Thank you for your support.

# FOOD BANK:

The Foodbank is struggling to meet demand to

assist families & this time of Covid and in the spirit of Christmas giving we are urging parishioners to support the Foodbank. If you are able, please contribute a food item/s to support those in need or alternatively, a cash donation can be left in the collection basket marked Foodbank or left in the office. Donations of non-perishable food items are needed. There is a cane basket in the church foyer for food donations.

**ECUMENICAL SERVICE TO BLESS THE ADVENT WREATHS:** This service will be held on **Thurs, 26 Nov at 7 pm** at the Te Puke Anglican Church. If you have a family table wreath, bring it along and have it blessed. The service will be followed by supper. Your attendance would be a great way to let the Anglican community know how much we appreciate being able to have our Saturday Vigil Mass in their beautiful church.

**REMEMBERING THE DEPARTED:** There are cards available in the STM Church foyer & Anglican Church, Te Puke for you to write your departed loved one's name on—they will be remembered & prayed for in every Mass during the month of November.

## THE ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED BISHOPS, PRIESTS & DEACONS

of the Hamilton Diocese will be celebrated on **Tues**, **17 Nov at 11am**, at St Patrick's Church, Te Awamutu, followed by the blessing of the clergy graves at the Catholic Cemetery in Ohaupo. Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord.

**SUPPORT OF THE PARISH:** There will be collection baskets in the foyer, AFTER MASS for you to place your donation. No collection will be taken in the church. Thank you. We welcome your continued financial support of the parish.

<b>WEETBIX TRYATHLON: Next Sunday, 22 Nov</b> —Baywave carpark will be full to capacity. There will be marshalls at the STM church driveway entrance but you may wish to come early to secure a parking spot.		SUNDAY MASS TIMES <u>Mt Maunganui</u> 9.30am & 5pm
<b>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</b> to put Christmas lights up on St Thomas More Church roof – some people who are not afraid of heights or climbing a ladder! Please contact Fr Stuart or Deacon Henk.		<u>Te Puke</u> Saturday Vigil 5pm at Anglican Church
FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING closes Ordinary Time. Please note that Masses will include the use of incense.		WEEKDAY MASS TIMES at Mt Maunganui (subject to change)
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	TENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK: Maureen Lalor Brother Brian Wanden Anselm Lena Farrelly RIP Monsignor James Carroll RIP All Saints by the Sea Parish	<u>Maketu</u> Maori Mass 2nd Sunday 11.30am 3rd Sunday Liturgy service 11.30am