



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 17 August 2025

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

This week we are pleased to welcome Fr John Jolliffe SM, who is coming to assist Fr Sojan while I am away for a month. Thank you Fr John for coming, I am very grateful for your generosity and support.

Parish Giving Campaign

This weekend, we will watch the final video from the Diocese of Hamilton as part of our Parish Giving Campaign. In this video, Mary Parker, a parishioner from Tauranga, shares her insights into the Parish as a place to find faith, friendship, and support; a place where children grow in their faith through the Sacraments, and where we all share the responsibility to support our Parish financially.

There are brochures at the back of the church outlining the different options for giving. Thank you for your continued generosity, our Parish depends entirely on your support.

*Kind regards,
Fr Eamon Kennedy*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS NEEDED: If you would like to join this very worthwhile ministry as a leader then I would love to hear from you. We need some more volunteers to be on our team of people that rotate on a roster.

Children' Liturgy is not run during school holidays.

Children's Liturgy of the Word is for children from 5 years and up who have not made their First Holy Communion, we share the Sundays Gospel with them at their level of understanding and talk about it and pray together and they are given a take home activity.

Guidance is given to those wanting to help lead the children and ALL resources are provided. Please contact Heidi 5754807 Ext 3 or email: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz if you are interested in assisting.



‘WAITING IN JOYFUL HOPE’

Talk by David Wells
at STM Parish Lounge,
on Fri, 22 Aug at 6.30pm.

His talk will be followed by
refreshments and fellowship.

For further info, contact

kirstym@cdh.org.nz

A donation would be
appreciated.

David Wells - Theologian, storyteller and extraordinaire from the UK, renowned international speaker delivering a very strong message of hope and joy through the Gospels.

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE: Next meeting on **Thurs, 21 Aug at 10am** in the STM parish lounge. Guest speaker Kirsty Muir, speaking on her recent trip to Medjugorje. All welcome. Raffle \$1

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP: St Patricks Family Group meeting **Sat, 23 Aug 12 noon** at Ocean Shores Village restaurant. Any queries ring Merrilyn 575 4148.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL thank parishioners who have and continue to donate their New World supermarket coupons to us. We have secured a large SMEG baker and mini cocotte set. Our Conference decided that due to the value of these beautiful items will become Christmas gifts for families in need. The donation box is still in the foyer till the end of August and we are truly grateful for your ongoing donations.

FR SHENAN J BOQUET RETURNS TO NZ: Fr Boquet, President of Human Life International. Hamilton - St Joseph’s Fairfield, Church Hall, **Sun 14 Sept** 1pm to 4pm & Taupo - St Patrick’s Catholic Church, **Wed, 17 Sept** - 6pm to 9pm*
The family as the Pillar of Society and God’s Plan for Marriage and Conjugal Love. Hamilton - St Joseph’s Fairfield, Church Hall, **Mon, 15 Sept** 6pm to 9pm* & **Thurs, 18 Sept** - 6pm to 9pm* *How to Accompany the Vulnerable, Aged and Dying; The family as the Pillar of Society*
*Mass at 6pm followed by talk and supper

PARISH SUNDAY MORNING TEA: All are most welcome to come to the parish lounge after the 10am Sunday Mass to have a cuppa and a chat.

PARISH MINISTRY IN AOTEAROA NZ: Wed, 20 Aug 2025 5-6pm via Zoom
Speaker: Emily Sit (Director of Mission & Evangelisation – Palm Nth Diocese); Raising a Catholic Family in the Third Millennium, Wed, 8 Oct 2025
Speakers: Cameron and Cheryl Surrey (Catholic Parents – Cheryl is the Regional Lead for Divine Renovation NZ); Reflections on Jubilee 2025 – Pilgrims of Hope, Wed, 26 Nov 2025 Speaker: Fadi Yalda (CTC Biblical Studies Lecturer)



ALPHA begins here on **Wed, 8 Oct at 6.30pm**. At Alpha we create a space to ask questions, discuss and discover faith. You gain perspective and learn, have fun and eat food!

COME & SEE: If you would love to experience Alpha for the first time as a guest then pick up a form for you and a friend from the church foyer or contact Heidi at pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz

GET INVOLVED - * ALPHA HELPERS NEEDED: If you would like to help with hospitality for a season of Alpha, we would love to have you join the team. We need (2 persons) every week on a Wednesday for 11 weeks in the kitchen for serving/cleaning up afterwards by way of a roster.

If anyone would like to spare 'an hour' from 4pm with tables/chairs set up we would also appreciate the assistance. You may like to get involved by helping launder/iron the tablecloths each week on a roster basis. We also need a roster of people to help prepare simple meals from week to week for our guests attending.

If you would like to be involved in cooking a meal or part thereof please contact Heidi 575 4807 Ext 6 or email: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz

**We were amazed at the support of over 30 people who helped with the last Alpha in many different ways, so 'Spring' into this next Alpha experience and meet new people.*

TEACHER TO WITNESS: A Day for Training and Equipping for Formation
Are you a Catechist, RCIA leader, or involved in baptismal or sacramental preparation? **Sat, 23 Aug @ 10am– 3pm @ St Mary's, Rotorua.** Join us for a day designed to inspire, equip, and encourage all who help form others in the Catholic faith. Whether you're just starting out or have years of experience, this day will offer valuable tools, spiritual enrichment, and meaningful connection with others in ministry. The day includes practical workshops, times of reflection, and the celebration of the Eucharist with Bishop Richard.

Come and be renewed — from teacher of the faith to witness of Christ.

Use this form to register Contact alisonc@cdh.org.nz for more info

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ROSARY is held at 9am on **Mondays** (no 9am Mass) & **Tuesday to Saturday** after the 9am Mass at STM Church.

PUBLIC ROSARY every **Wednesday** at 6pm, outside STM Church. For more information please see <https://public-rosary.org/><https://t.me/NZPrays>

ADORATION & BENEDICTION is held on **Wednesday** at STM Church after the 9am Mass.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Wednesday & Saturday 9.30am (after the 9am Mass).

READINGS for 21st Week in Ordinary Time, 24 Aug 2025

1. Ecc 3:17-20.28-29 2. Hebrews 12:18-19.22-24 **Gospel:** Luke 14:1.-14

MASSES FOR THIS COMING WEEK: Tues, 19 Aug to Sun, 24 Aug 2025

STM Church

9am Tues	Reg Morgan RIP
9am Wed	Jack Hayden RIP
9am Thurs	Joan Lynch RIP
9am Fri	Richard, Bob, Patsy & Buster Peacocke (all RIP)
9am Sat	Guy Gooday RIP

10am & 5pm Sun

St Patrick's Te Puke

5pm Sat Vigil

Suzanne Aubert School

8.30am Sun

11.30am Maketu (2nd)

Sun of month) & Liturgy (every 3rd Sun of month at 11.30am)

If you wish to have a Mass offered, contact the parish office & if you have a particular date that you would like the Mass offered, please "book" the Mass well in advance.