

St Mary Star of the Sea - Gisborne

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PRAYER SEMINARS –

TO PREPARE FOR THE 2025 JUBILEE YEAR

Richard Shortall SJ will conduct two seminars in our parish on prayer and the Jubilee Year. Both seminars will take place on **Wednesday 20 November**:

- 10am – “Prayer for Older People” (after the Wednesday morning Mass and cuppa)
- 5.30pm – “Prayer for Busy People”

Each seminar will be about one hour long. Father Shortall, a Jesuit priest, is well-known to us, and works in our Diocese as a retreat leader and spiritual director.



Fr. Richard Shortall SJ

WALL OF REMEMBRANCE

We have been asked to place some more names on the Wall of Remembrance, on the south side of the church. If you would like to donate one – for you, your family or for a deceased person, please see Lucy in the office. The cost is \$50 (\$25 is the cost, and \$25 is a donation to the parish).



Columban Calendars

will go on sale this Sunday
\$15.00
Also available in office



The Society of St Vincent de Paul are selling **Christmas cards this weekend**.
 Packets of 5-for \$5.00



Tickets for this year's *Christmas Raffle* for our Church are on sale this Sunday **finish 30th November 1st December.**
\$2 a ticket or \$5 for 3 tickets.
25 Great prizes
 thanks to our sponsors.
Rose 027 4391275 I would love the help



ATTENTION

Parishioners from the East Coast or Matawai can purchase tickets for this fantastic Christmas Raffle - roseperry@xtra.co.nz

Cleaner wanted for elderly parishioner to do basic household cleaning and occasional window cleaning. Contact 0275862223



INVITATION TO A GOLDEN OLDIES SING-A-LONG

In Gratitude for the use of the Parish Centre
 The U3a Ukalodeans invite you to join them
Sunday 10th November
 1.30-3pm
 Parish Centre
 Cup of tea to follow.
 Please Txt Sr Meg
 021 027 87993



MASS & ROSARY TIMES

Tuesday 9.00 am. Wednesday 9.00 am. Thursday 9.00 am Saturday 9.00 am Sunday 9.00 am
Friday 12.10 pm - preceded by **ADORATION 11.00AM Rosary for Life 11.30** the Angelus. 12.00 noon **Anointing of the Sick every first Friday after Mass**
ROSARY 8.30am TUES, WED, THURS, SAT, SUN –FRI 11.30 Monday 9.00am
Saturday Vigil Mass 6.00PM SUNDAY 9.00AM Mass at Tolaga Bay 2nd Sunday 11.00 am. Tokomaru Bay 3rd Sunday 11.30 am MATAWAI 4th Sunday 11.00am

THIRTY FIRST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME 2ND & 3RD NOV. 2024

SATURDAY	2ND NOV	6.00PM	
SUNDAY	3RD NOV	9.00 AM 8.30AM ROSARY MAORI MASS	
MONDAY	4TH NOV	NO MASS 9.00am Rosary	ST CHARLES BORROMEO FATHER RICHARDS BIRTHDAY
TUESDAY	5TH NOV	9.00am MASS 8.30am Rosary	JONNETTE KEREKERE (RIP)
WEDNESDAY	6TH NOV	9.00am MASS 8.30am Rosary 10.40am	LOUIS DE JONG (RIP) YR 7 & 8 SCHOOL MASS
THURSDAY	7TH NOV	9.00am MASS 8.30am ROSARY	
FRIDAY	8TH-NOV	11.00AM ADORATION CONFESSION 11.30 ROSARY FOR LIFE 12.10 PM MASS	 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE CWL
SATURDAY	9TH-NOV	9.00 MASS 8.30 ROSARY 9.30AM CONFESSION	DEDICATION OF ST JOHN LATERAN
		6.00PM VIGIL MASS	PADDY & PEGGY MCCORMACK (RIP)
SUNDAY	10TH-NOV	9.00 AM MASS 8.30 AM ROSARY 11.00AM TOLOGA BAY	ERICA JONES (RIP)



31st Sunday of Ordinary Time - 3rd November

We are now in November, the Month of the Holy Souls – the Book of Maccabees reminds us that it is a good and noble thing to pray for those who have died, and that is what we do in a special way during this month. In the course of this past week, three women from our parish have been farewelled from our church – **Una Gibson, Jenny Evans, Di Logan and John Shanley**, all fortified before death with the sacraments of the Church. May they rest in peace.

Good work with the evacuation drills at Mass last Sunday – a few small things to improve on, but overall a great effort. Thank you for your cooperation, and to the safety wardens who looked after everyone so well.

Thanks also to all who came to the **Rosary Procession** last Sunday – it was a wonderful, prayerful time together.

I am pleased to be able to inform you that **Elaine Clark** has been appointed to the position of Parish Office Administrator, and will begin on Monday 18 November. Elaine brings a wealth of experience to this role, and I know that you will make her welcome. (Elaine's parents are Flora and Iain Gillies, so well-known to us all.) The parish office hours will probably be Monday to Friday, 9am to 1pm (to be confirmed).

Best wishes to senior students whose **NCEA exams** begin this week – may you reap the reward of your labours, and know the Lord's inspiration.

The annual **Mass Count** takes place at Sunday Masses during November – thanks to those who undertake this for us.

Richard Shortall SJ will be coming to our parish later this month and will conduct two short seminars on prayer (see separate notice) – one seminar on prayer for older people, the other on prayer for busy people. It's good to take these opportunities to nourish our prayer life – that's what we are about as Christians.

Finally, **Malayalam Mass** this Friday evening – we welcome Father Thomas back amongst us.

I will be away from Wednesday, on retreat at the Friary in Auckland. Upon my return, Father Richard will also go on retreat. Please pray for us both.

May God bless you

Father Mark

Tairawhiti Catholic



Scripture Readings for Sunday. Ps. 18 1. Deuteronomy 6:2-6,
2. Hebrews 7:23-28

Gospel MARK 12:28-34



PARISH OFFICE HOURS—Mon, Wed, and Friday 9.30am—1.30pm **School Holidays limited**
Koha and Pledge Donations to our Parish gratefully received at this time. **PAYWAVE** Available on Weekend Masses or weekdays in office.

Collection last week : \$ 2,695.67

St Mary's Gisborne Parish BNZ 02-0342-0050016-004 (Please ensure your name eg White H and donation) are entered into the details.

Bank Details: 02 0342 0050016 004 - Remember to place your name in the details.



Mercy for the Souls in Purgatory

A prayer which would release souls from Purgatory each time it is said.

"Eternal Father, I offer You the most precious blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my own family. AMEN."

Please pray for the Soul of Una Gibson, Jenny Evans, Di Logan, John Shanley & June Sharp —*Eternal Rest, grant to them O Lord and perpetual light shine upon them. May she rest in Peace. Amen*



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CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

—Link to updates: <https://www.cdh.org.nz/diocesan-bulletin>

Facebook page is going live at 6pm tonight for the rosary. <https://www.facebook.com/share/s9BSYZ9BqupoDEc6/>

Also a good video on Halloween!
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=obwnI2USVOA>

Pope's Intention for November 2024

For anyone who has lost a child

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.



"Grant the precious gift of faith to all who seek you with a sincere heart, that they may love, serve and worship you as members of the Church."

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ALL SAINTS DAY—Remember to seek the intercession and prayers of the Saints.