

MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY

SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

St. Anne's
St Mary's 9.30am & 6.00pm
Holy Family Sat. Vigil: 5.30pm

Miha Maori

Sun. 1 Kaiwhaiki 11.00am
Sun. 3 St Mary's 9.30am
Sun. 4 Jerusalem/Ranana 10.00am

RECONCILIATION:

St Mary's Sat. 9.00—9.20am
St Mary's Thurs & Fri 11.30am—Noon
Holy Family Sat. 5.00-5.20pm

	ST MARY'S	HOLY FAMILY	ST ANNE'S/OTHERS
MONDAY 4 April	12.05pm Mass- Annunciation 7.00pm Pro-life Rosary	9.00am No Masses or Liturgy. 7.30pm Faith Exploration.	No Masses or Liturgies.
TUESDAY 5 April	12.05pm Mass	10.00am Mass with Rm 4. 4.00pm Legion of Mary 5.15pm MOWAC	10.30 am Jane Winstone 11.30am Mass St. Anne's.
WEDNESDAY 6 April	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass. 9.30am/5.30pm Prayers to St Jos.	
THURSDAY 7 April	11.30am Reconciliation 12.05pm Mass Exposition 5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30—6.00pmm Benediction	9.00am Mass 9.30am Craft/Exposition	9.15am Nazareth Mass.
FRIDAY 8 April	8am to 12pm Exposition 11.30am Reconciliation 12.05 Mass	9.00am Mass	10.45am. Cullinane Mass.
SATURDAY 9 April		5.00 Reconciliation. 5.30 Vigil Mass	9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass

GUILD RAFFLE: The Holy Family Church Ladies Guild are once again holding their annual raffle. We would like once again ask for donations towards the raffle. The proceeds go to the Pacific Seminary in Fiji. There will be a box in the foyer at Holy Family Church over the next few weeks. For further information phone Shirley on 344 6365.

St Marys Indoor Bowling Club: Restarts on Thursday 7th April. Names in be 1.15pm. Games start 1.30pm. NEW MEMBERS VERY WELCOME. No experience required. Any further enquires contact Bernie Sheridan 3438554 or 021799629.

The Puriri Neighbourhood Policing Team would like to invite you to their first weekly clinic to be held at the Gonville Library. The first session is on Tuesday 12 April from 10am to 11am. This is a great chance for members of the public to talk to a Neighbourhood Policing Team member about any issues you have, in a friendly environment. The sessions will run weekly, for 6 weeks.



On Monday 4 April, on this day after the first Sunday of Easter, we celebrate the **Feast of the Annunciation**. The feast was moved from March 25 (Good Friday this year) to Monday. We will celebrate Mass at St. Mary's at 12.05pm. A lot is written about Mary's yes but what strikes the heart today is the contemplation that Mary said yes from her heart. She didn't say yes because someone told her to or because society implied she should. There were no parents telling her what she was supposed to do. Mary said yes from that knowing place within her.

Please keep in your prayers those of our parish and school community who are sick, lonely or going through hard times and need our help and comfort.

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of

RECENTLY DEPARTED: Linda Cvitanovich

ANNIVERSARIES: Paul Alexander (06/04); Bernard Daws (06/04);

MASS OFFERINGS: Patricia Osborne; Frances Jones (health);

3 APRIL 2016

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY).

READINGS THIS WEEK:

1st: Acts 5. 12-16 Signs and Wonders.
2nd: Rev. 1.9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 The First and the Last.
Gospel: John 20. 19-31. Living Faith.

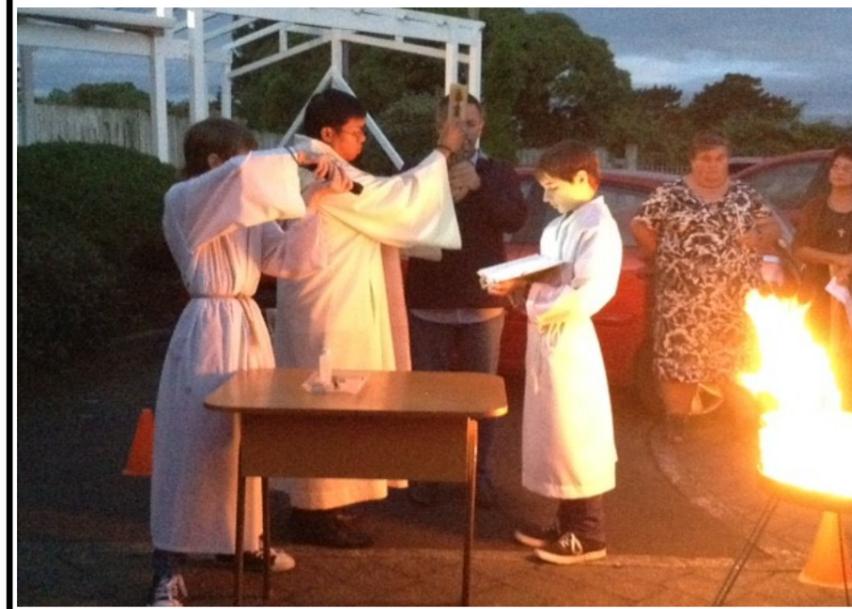
Readings for next week: ; Acts 5. 28-32. 40b-41; Rev.5. 11-14.
John 21. 1-19.

REFLECTION FOR 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER.

Next week's Gospel reading is an interesting one. First of all, it is part of a chapter that most Scripture scholars regard as a piece added on to John's gospel. Secondly, it's the third time round and the disciples still don't recognise Jesus. Thirdly, Jesus appeared on a weekday while the disciples were intent on their everyday work. This gospel episode is full of symbolism. Here are just two to think about:
There were seven disciples in the boat, a biblical number representing completeness or wholeness, the entire Christian community with its various types of people who, despite their limitations and their faults, have still the right to be part of the Church: those who have difficulty in believing (Thomas); those who are a bit "fanatical" (the two sons of Zebedee, who wanted to call down the fire of heaven on their opponents; Lk 9:54); those who deny Jesus (Peter); those tied to the traditions of the past, but honest and open to the signs of the times (Nathaniel); the anonymous Christians who are not really known by anyone (the two unnamed disciples).
Then there is the sea, for the Israelites a symbol of all the forces that enslave humanity. Think of all the slavery that keep us from living with joy: greed, violence, grudges, prejudice, drink and drugs, pornography, anxiety, abuse, guilt, fear... If being in the sea is a symbol of being at the mercy of evil, then, fishing is a symbol of freeing people from whatever evil enslaves them. Today's gospel is first and foremost about the mission of Jesus, the mission given to his disciples in every age, to be committed to the liberation of people, to be committed to ensuring the dignity, equality and freedom of all.
JB Kendall rsj

REMEMBER: Benediction on the first Thursday of the month at St. Mary's at 5.30pm. Next date 7 April.

Father Don Don reads the blessing for the Pascal Candle, held by Kevin Shore, with Servers Liam and Bowen Boswell offering assistance as the Easter Fire burns brightly.



OUR CHURCHES & PEOPLE

• **Holy Family**
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Office hours

• **St. Anne's**
47 Raine St, Ph. 343 6696
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• **St. Mary's**
1 Campbell St, Ph. 345 3872
✉info@catholicparishwanganui.org.nz
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Office hours: 8.30am—3pm

• **St. Patrick's**
29 Egmont St, Patea.
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• **St. Francis de Sales**
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Norma O'Connor
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Office Manager

Jane O'Connell
Convener of Care & Concern team
348 9505

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Acting Hospital Chaplain
344 6569.

Mary Anne Elliot & Sean Ryan
Prison Chaplain
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Gerard Lynch
Chairperson of Leadership/Finance
Team
342 3811.

Kevin Foley
Chairperson of Liturgy
344 0542.

GENERAL BUSINESS

MASS OFFERINGS

WANGANUI CATHOLICS' WEEKLY

OUR FAITHSHARING GROUPS

WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING
Wednesday 10am. Host is Frances Huijs. 67 Surrey Rd. Ph. 344 1121. All are welcome to join.

MOTHER'S FAITHSHARING
Rosary and Scripture Wed. 10.30am
St Mary's Community Room. All welcome.

MOTHER'S COMBINED PARISHES PRAYER GROUP
Fridays 1—2pm
17 Lindsey Crescent. All ages welcome.

MEN'S FAITHSHARING
Fri. 7.00am. Contact Peter ph. 342 5812 for venue.

LEGION OF MARY
Holy Family Church
Tuesdays @ 4pm. For more info contact Paul Daws, 344 4828

LADIES GUILD GROUPS
St. Anne's
Meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Ring Kay Wilkinson Ph. 343 3367

Holy Family
Meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month. For further information please contact Shirley phone on 344 6365.

HOLY FAMILY CRAFT GROUP
Meet weekly on Thursdays at 9.30am. For further information phone Shirley on 344 6365

Saint Vincent de Paul Society
Holy Family Conference meet on the 2nd Monday of the month at 4.45pm.
For more information ph: Kevin Foley on 345 0542. Or 345 0161.

EXPLORING FAITH GROUPS:
EVENING: Monday 7.30pm-9.00pm
Holy Family Meeting Room

MORNING: Tuesday 11.00am-12.15pm
St Mary's Community Room

This week we will be exploring:
"The Post -Easter Jesus.
Hosts: Mary Wood 344 3552, Nancie & Brian Quigley 347 8177
Jo Smillie 345 0609 (morning group)
Led by Sr John Bosco Kendall rsj
You are all welcome to attend. For more information ring one of the above numbers.

Te Punanga o Hōhepa

Josephite Retreat Centre

14 Hillside Tce,
Whanganui
P (06) 345 5047 ext 3
ssjoseph@xtra.co.nz

'This I Believe...' Jason Granville will be talking about his life in radio here in Wanganui, deciding to run for council and what life's like sitting around the table. He will also talk about the decision to go into business with his best mate and how *Take it Easy Tours* is progressing. *Followed by questions & supper.*
Wednesday 6 April, 7 – 9pm, Koha

Toi Te Huatahi Art Exhibition Weekend
Joseph Huatahi Barber's art style is eclectic and thought-provoking, ranging from contemporary to traditional with a Maori twist. Come along between 10am – 2pm each day to view the creativity and spirituality of this wonderful artist. Saturday 9 & Sunday 10 April, Koha To register please call Pam on 3455047 ext 3.
or email pam.hopper@sosj.org.au

Legion of Mary Acies Ceremony will be held at the Holy Family Chapel on Sunday 10th April commencing at 2pm. Auxiliary members and all interested are invited. Afternoon tea will be served. Members a plate.

THANKS: I would like to thank the Prayer Vine Group for the way they have supported me with prayers and encouragement over the past seven years when a member of my family had a very prem and sick baby. Again I asked for their prayers when four and a half years ago another member came very close to his life ending but God was not ready to take him at that time. He has no idea of the prayers and God's help that was given to him by the Prayer Vine. He has recently returned to work again. He also must credit the wonderful doctors and nurses of the Waikato Hospital. Father Brian will be offering a Thanksgiving Mass for the members of the Prayer Vine.

Hospital Chapel Helpers

A big thank you to all the team for a wonderful turn out each Sunday in March. Many thanks to those who went the extra mile helping with readings, supplying palms, flowers and morning tea. Without your generosity in giving up your time, these duties could not be carried out. Thank you once again. Jan O'Neill, Convenor.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY– 3 APRIL– ST. MARY'S CHURCH– 2.30pm. Catholic Churches around the world will celebrate this great feast of Divine Mercy on this day. This was given to us by Pope John Paul II. St Faustina tells us that Our Lord rejoices in this feast day. A plenary indulgence is given (with conditions) if we observe this feast. All very welcome. Cup of tea to follow. Fr. Don Don.

The Annunciation-Monday April 4. Mass at St Marys at 12.00pm– no Liturgy at Holy Family that day.

Anzac Day Monday 25 April– Mass at St Marys 9.00am.

Combined Catholic School Mass—11th May at War Memorial Hall

Reconciliation and First Eucharist programme starting Term II. Confirmation also

MARIAN MOTHERS THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

"The person who moves a mountain begins by carrying away small stones."

Are you feeling unwell or lonely?
You can borrow our beautiful statue of Mary to assist you in your prayer time. Contact Kathy Orsborn ph.348 0030 and she will deliver it to you.

MARAE TIME
at Te Rau Oriwa Marae. The Drop-in Centre is open 9-1pm Monday to Thursday.

Welcome- Meditation—come and be still, every Tuesday morning from 10am-11am. Baby sitting offered morning only.



MAINLY MUSIC.

St. Anne's Church
Raine Street.
Monday at 10am.
Ph. Anne 344 6569.

Please Diary 50th Jubilee St Peter Chanel (ex) Parish Hastings. September 10th -11th 2016. Registration details will be sent in May



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Please pray for all of our students who are away this weekend for a variety of events. We have students travelling to Twizel for the Maadi Cup rowing champs which goes over the whole week as well as students taking part in the National Waka Ama champs. May they represent the school well and have great success in their events. Also, this weekend we have our Head Students taking part in a forum that will have them networking with a number of other Head students from around the region.

Back here at the College itself, it's a quiet week. On Monday our Year 12 Geography class will be travelling around the Ruapehu district as part of an assessment project. On Friday is our weekly Mass in St Joseph's Chapel. This week's celebration being hosted by students from 11S. As usual all of our surrounding community are invited to join our students in worship. Also on Friday, our annual Survive A Slum begins and will continue into Saturday. This is in support of the Caritas Challenge project to help educate our students about the plight of the underprivileged in the world. Please pray that they have a successful weekend as well.

Christian Life Communities. At the time of the retreat mention was made of ways to develop the graces received. Christian Life Communities (CLC) is ongoing and based on the teachings of St. Ignatius Loyola the author of the retreat. Anyone interested in small shared group prayer is invited to a gathering on Tuesday 12 April 7.30pm at St. Anne's Church Raine St. from which a group may be able to form a CLC group. Mike Coleman.

Care and concern:

To arrange home visits in the Whanganui Parish, offering friendship, prayer and Holy Communion. Contact St Mary's office 345 3872 or Jane on 348 9505.

OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE WHAT'S UP?

ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Karl Zimmerman
DRS: Jo Gichard.
Raine St. Wanganui East
Ph: 343 8389
Email: office@stannes.school.nz



Last Thursday we held a very moving and solemn service remembering Good Friday. Our Intermediate children re-enacted the five special days of Easter and after that all children came forward to venerate the cross in silence. We stripped the altar and left the church in silence. It was a very powerful and sombre service. This Friday we will have a Resurrection liturgy to celebrate the return of Jesus. On Good Friday a number of our children were involved in a play at St. Anne's Church as part of the Wanganui East Way of the cross.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

Principal: Jacqui Luxton
DRS: Cathy Daignault
30 London St. Wanganui
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Registrations for the Passionist

Youth Retreat to be held at Camp Rangi Woods, Manawatu from 11th-14th July 2016 and Young Adults Retreat to be held at the Magnificat, Wairarapa from 15th-17th July 2016 are now open!!!
The retreats will be facilitated by the NZ Passionist Youth Retreat team (youth) supported by Fr Ray Sanchez CP. Fr Ray will facilitate the young adults retreat.
See flyers in church foyers. By visiting www.passionistfamily.org.nz/retreats/ participants can register online and also check out the photos and stories from the 2015 retreats.

Living Resurrected Mercy:

He is risen, and we in exactly the same way as the first disciples: gather as a community, every Sunday, in the Upper Room. When will we see Him, when will we experience his Peace? At heart it is deeply linked to the Year of Mercy, we will see Him when we put our fingers into his hands, into his side, where He is wounded, suffering, being crucified: in one of the least, then we will recognise the Risen Christ. Easter Sunday leads us to serve every day of the week! He is Risen Alleluia, Alleluia, let us follow Him in faith!

DID YOU KNOW – that on Friday's at 11.00am at St Mary's the Rosary is recited for our priests and all of our Parishioners. Have you thought about coming along and joining in in this special prayer. All are very welcome .

ST. MARCELLIN SCHOOL

Principal: Maia Williams
Acting DRS: Debra Benefield
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Reflections on Holy Week. Blessed are we as a school to have children and their families who bear witness to the Gospel of the Lord in diverse ways. On Monday and Tuesday we gathered with our church community to witness and celebrate the baptism of 20 children. On Tuesday evening our Head Boy Jansen and Head Girl Koree represented the school at the Chrism Mass and the following morning our Deputy Head Boy Michael and Deputy Head Girl Aiaga presented the gift of oils to Fr. Brian Carmine at Mass. On Wednesday we gathered to say a big THANK YOU to Matua Pat Rhodes for all he has done and will continue to do to support our faith journey. On Thursday we ended the school week with Stations of the Cross. We had students who participated in the Hui Aranga over the weekend, my congratulations to Maihi and Te Roe Tuatahi who performed on stage in the Mokopuna Kapa Haka competition with excellence. On Saturday night I gathered with our Holy Family community for Easter Vigil Mass and met with students and their families. On reflection I have enjoyed my first experience of Holy Week in Whanganui and I am open to receive many more experiences in the future. It is pleasing to report that Phase 1 of the Refurbishing Works for Block F will begin on 18 April which will entail those classes moving temporarily to the Marist Block.
Na nga tai o-mihi
Maia Williams.