

MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY

SUNDAY MASS TIMES:
 St. Anne's Tues 11.30am, Sat 9.30am
 St Mary's 9.30am & 6.00pm
 Holy Family Sat. Vigil: 5.30pm

Miha Maori
 Sun. 1 Kaiwhaiki 11.00am 9.30am
 Sun. 3 St Mary's 9.30am
 Sun. 4 Jerusalem/Ranana 10.00am
 (Hiruharama)

Patea
 Sun 1 & 3 9.30
 Wed 2 & 9.30

Waverley
 Sun 2 & 4 9.30
 Wed 1 & 3 9.30

RECONCILIATION:
 St Annes Sat. 9.00—9.20am
 St Mary's Thurs & Fri 11.30—12
 Holy Family Sat. 5.00-5.20pm

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

	ST MARY'S	HOLY FAMILY	ST ANNE'S/OTHERS
MONDAY 26 Sep	7.00pm Pro-life Rosary	9.00am Service 7.30pm Faith Exploration	
TUESDAY 27 Sep	12.05pm Liturgy	10.00am Liturgy 1.30pm Ladies Guild 4.00pm Legion of Mary	11.30am St Annes Mass 3.30pm Kowhainui Mass
WEDNESDAY 28 Sep	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	9.30am Patea
THURSDAY 29 Sep	11.30am Reconciliation 12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am Craft/Exp	9.15am Nazareth Mass
FRIDAY 30 Sep	9am-12pm Adoration 11.30am Reconciliation 12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	11.00 Summerset Mass Please bring something for a shared lunch.
SATURDAY 1 Oct		5.00pm Reconciliation. 5.30pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Reconciliation St Annes 9.30am Mass St Annes

Save the Children are holding an Open Day on Thursday 29th September at 25 Gilligan Close (off Purnell St) from 10am-3pm. Our Christmas cards have arrived and new souvenirs for gifts. Look for our flag.

Mainly Music

We need scarves for the children to use with their music. If you have any spare scarves could you please give them to one of our Team Leaders, Maree Adams, Kath Gilberd, Margaret Haddock, Marie Knuth, Lucy Peters, Liz Thomas, Kay Wilkinson or Anne Smith. Many thanks.

Thank you

THANKS: My prayers and thanks to the Parishioners of the Catholic Parish of Whanganui who were so generous in their prayers and support on the death of my Sister-in-law Joy Merle Sutherland in Palmerston North. Mona Walden.

Parish AGM

To be held on 6th November at 7.30pm. More details to follow.

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 DECEASED: Sean Scanlon(27/8), Grace Skinner, Joe Gibbs, Tony Pezet (Jersey Islands), Patrick Bruce, Teresa Lynch, Siva (Heddy) Williams (Auckland), Gary Smithies, Lisa Mancer (secretary of St Annes for 5 years) Bridget Burke RIP(Ireland), Michelle Grey

CONDOLENCES: ANNIVERSARIES:) Dora Mary Croucher (30/08) Brother Fabian O'Driscoll (28/08); John Pinkerton (29/08); Mary O'Driscoll (31/08) Bernard Anderson (28/8), Beverley Cvitanovich (2/9) Eileen Devine (29/8), Anne Keller (30/8), Stuart Tasker (1/9), Noeline Hopcroft (13/9), William Mansor, Mary McGovern (17/9), Erin Syme (30/9), Kalala (Clare) (9/9) Gordon Smith (01/09), Joyce Burke (17/9), Mollie Griffin (23/9), Mr Abraham (21/9)(Usha's Dad), Colin Tasker (11/09), Ellen Jane Reed (08/09) Luis Ezpeleta Sr, Josephia & Guillermo Segovia, Rosario Ezepeleta, Amadio & Ambrosio Ezepeleta, Dennis Mannex (16/9), Teresa Anderson (9/11)

MASS OFFERINGS: Members and benefactors of Voice for Life, Sr Eugene (O'Kane) Souls in purgatory Sr Mary O'Kane, (1/9), Conny Roesch (13/9), Pa Steve, Bridget Burke RIP (Ireland), Alan R Wilson, Else (5/9), Michelle Grey (9/9) Gary Smithies, Grant Stephen Paddison (19/9) Deceased members of Summerhays Family.

25 SEPTEMBER 2016 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

READINGS THIS WEEK:

1st: Amos 6.1a.4-7 Lack of Compassion
2nd: 1 Tim.6.11-16 A Virtuous Life
Gospel: Luke.16.19-31 Eternal Consolation
Readings for next week: ; Hab.1.2-3,2.2-4 2 Tim 1.6-18,13-14
 Luke.17.5-10

Next week's reading: TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4; II Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14; Luke 17:5-10

Most Scripture scholars agree that Luke was the first of the gospel authors to write believing that Jesus' return was not just round the corner after all. By that time, people were beginning to realise that they had to commit to the long term when it came to being a disciple of Christ. In next week's first reading, Habakkuk, the prophet, who lived more than six centuries before Jesus, also had to face the long term in relation to God's response to his prayers: "O Lord, how long shall I cry for help and you will not listen? Or cry to you, 'Violence!' and you will not save?" Habakkuk was expecting an immediate solution and God was not providing it. Perhaps our growing knowledge and understanding of Evolution gives us an advantage over Habakkuk and Luke. Scientists like Darwin and theologians like Teilhard de Chardin have helped us to understand that things happen over a long period of time. We humans didn't appear on earth as part of a seven-day creation plan. We are part of an ongoing evolutionary process. An important element of that evolution is the ability to adapt and change. In our Christian lives, the change and adaptation only happens by **loving**. That loving has eventually helped us recognise the evil of slavery and human trafficking, give women the right to vote, and regard all people as our sisters and brothers, no matter their race or creed. But the fact is that it's taken centuries to evolve to this point. When Luke's Jesus assures us we only need "faith the size of a mustard seed," to uproot and replant trees, in other words to change things, to bring about the reign of God, it's probably just as well he doesn't mention how long it will take. What he does tell us is that we should see ourselves as servants, people who are committed to making the reign of God a reality by the way we live, no matter how long it takes.

JB Kendall rsj



Our First Holy Communion Children -celebrated on September 11th.

Week ending September 25:

The readings this month have shown us the direct link between our faith life and our decisions in particular in respect of the poor and those in need. This is not just about those living in the next street, though that is where we normally act, we are called to live as citizens of the world where 60% of humanity is sitting as Lazarus asking us for food from our rich people's table.

CHURCHES & PEOPLE

•Holy Family

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•St. Mary's

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•St. Patrick's

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St. Francis de Sales

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 Team
 342 3811.

Kevin Foley

Chairperson of Liturgy
 345 0542.

GENERAL BUSINESS

MASS OFFERINGS

WHANGANUI CATHOLICS' WEEKLY

OUR FAITHSHARING GROUPS

WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING
the meeting next week will be held 10am at Moya Ericsson, 17 Lindsay Crescent Phone 344 3177 All are welcome.

FAITHSHARING

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

MOTHER'S COMBINED PARISHES PRAYER GROUP

Fridays 1—2pm 17 Lindsay 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

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Holy Family Conference meet on the 2nd Monday of the month at 4.45pm. ph: Kevin Foley on 345 0542. Or 345 0161.

St Annes/St Marys Conference meet 1st and 3rd Wed of month at 5pm. Contact Liz Thomas 3437117

EXPLORING FAITH GROUPS:

EVENING: Monday 7.30pm -

9.00pm Holy Family Meeting

MORNING: Tuesday

11.00am - 12.15pm St Mary's

Community Room

This week we will explore:

"The writings of St Paul"

Hosts: Mary Wood 344 3552,

Nancie & Brian Quigley 347 8177

Jo Smillie 345 0609 (Morning Group)

Led by Sr John Bosco Kendall rsj

You're all welcome to attend.

For more information ring one of the above numbers.

Te Punanga o Hōhepa



14 Hillside Tce,
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DVD Evening – Philomena

This is the story of one mother's search for her son who was adopted as she was a "fallen woman". Helped by a BBC journalist, together they embark on a journey of discovery.

Thursday 6 October, 6.30pm, Koha

Supper provided

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To register please call Pam on 3455047 ext 3 or email pam.hopper@sosj.org.au

Quote for the week:

Never see a need without doing something about it.

Mary MacKillop

St Mary's School Concert

Last Friday night we had a fantastic display of creativity and awesome performances from St Mary's school concert. Words fail me on the bravery of young children Performing/singing solo, youngsters playing our grand piano the school choir singing in two parts and much more. I think we all left fired up and wonderfully entertained.

The Miha Mass

The Bishop was very impressed with St Marcellin participation in the morning Miha Mass. Again they showed some amazing talent with a few solos before offertory. We are blessed to have such gifted and talented people.

The hut on the hill

An independent builder surveyed the building last week, and the building is not suitable for habitation as some of the block work is cracking, it's therefore an earthquake risk and it needs to be knocked over. People entering the building at their own risk

Confirmation

yes its all go: we had First Communion and on Sunday (18th) we had Confirmation. The Mass was beautiful with Bishop Charles as Celebrant with Confirmation candidates well supported by family and sponsors and friends. Congratulations to all our Candidates: Ellen Gudsell, Te Mana Kua, Benjamin D'Ath, Liam Boswell, Marianne Lynch, Niamh Murphy, Olivia Knuth, Rebecca Knuth, Stacey Knuth, Bridgitte O'Leary. We appreciate your commitment and the journey you decided to undertake. God the Father and Son and the Holy Spirit will always bless you and will allow you to become more like Gods original image of humanity. Please continue to pray asking for Gods guidance. Our liturgical artist we again thank you -the music was wonderful and the pews beautifully decorated. The sanctuary area was a buzz with flowers. Well done confirmation leaders and those confirmed. Fr Brian

Tips to overcome problems in you Prayer Life

Accountability Counts— You need someone who is more objective than you are to look at your prayer life and see how you are doing and the the Holy Spirit is working. If you haven't been praying daily for at least a year, then you probably aren't ready for spiritual direction. But, even if you aren't ready for spiritual direction, having a good friend who prays regularly to talk to can be good.

MARIAN MOTHERS THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Nothing is ever as good or as bad as it may seem

Marian Corner

Mary believed that if she trusted in God, if she co-operated and remained faithful to him, God would remain faithful to her. The same is true for us. We need the confidence of Mary. We need her trust and faith.

MARAE TIME

at Te Rau Oriwa Marae.
The Drop-in Centre is open 9-1pm every Monday to Thursday.
Nau Mai, Harae Mai. All Welcome.



MAINLY MUSIC.



St. Anne's Church
Raine Street.

Ph. Anne 344 6569.

Mondays at 10am.

A great morning to meet Parents and Carers and Pre-schoolers.

No more Mainly Music until Monday 10th October. Thank you.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

STARTS THIS SUNDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER.

Daylight saving an opportunity to spring forward.



Cullinane College

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ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

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Tēnā koutou

I cannot say enough about our amazing St Mary's School Arts Festival.

It was incredible. It gave our students a place to shine. God has blessed these people with talent that just astounds!

We had piano pieces, song, dance, live theatre and a chance to gather as a school family.

The one thing that stood out for me was the encouragement our students gave each other during and after their items. We are truly blessed.

I wish all of a families a safe and restful holiday. A great time to recharge and spend quality time together.

Ma te Atua koutou e manaaki e tiaki

May God care for and look after you all
Nga mihi nui

An evening with Judith Campbell

Discerning/discovering your gifts

We invite you to come along on Tuesday 27th September - 5.30pm start with a pot luck meal.

Please bring along a plate of food to share.

God has given each of us the ability to do certain things well.

Have you thought about what gifts you might have to offer in Ministry within our church community or just to learn more about yourself.

Those already in Ministry are encouraged to attend this evening as well. We look forward to seeing you there.

OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

WHAT'S UP?

ST. MARCELLIN SCHOOL

Principal: Maia Williams
Acting DRS: Debra Benefield
Totara St. Wanganui.
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Email: stmarcellin@stmarcellin.school.nz



Kia ora, I am truly grateful for the wonderful support from our parish community. Your presence at all school events is noticed, and the many words of kindness received is encouraging. Blessed were parishioners and Bishop Drennan to see the 'light' of St Marcellin students shine bright at mass last Sunday. For they are the children of God.

With 3 long terms behind us and an especially 'action packed' Term 3, we are all ready for a well-earned break – teachers and students alike.

By the time parishioners read this message children and teachers will be enjoying an extra hour or two sleep in **(Daylight Savings starts Sunday 25th September)** and recharging those batteries ready for an equally busy Term 4. Term 4 starts Monday 10th October, at 9.00am.

Ngā mihi maioha, na Maia Williams.

Readers at Mass–

St Marys Community Room 4 October at 7pm

This is for all those who are already involved– any new people most welcome to attend.

ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Karl Zimmerman
DRS: Jo Gichard.
Raine St. Wanganui East
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Ski trips
We were fortunate with the weather this year to have two successful ski trips. These trips enrich our children's experiences and also provide children to learn new skills. It is always encouraging to see the progress children make in one day with the skills in either skiing or snowboarding.

Special thanks to the parents who come on these trips to assist.

School holidays begin this weekend. We hope all families enjoy the time over the next two weeks with your children.

School resumes on Monday 10th October.

Reminder: St Anne's Catholic School Gala day will be held on Saturday 29th October.

TH201/RE200 Understanding Sacraments

This course will give an overview of the seven Catholic sacraments, with particular attention to the way they are understood theologically today. It will help participants view the sacraments more critically, renewing their own approach to and understanding of them.

This would a particularly useful ministry development for people involved with leading the Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion, those who lead Children's Liturgy, teachers who teach the Sacrament strand of the RE curriculum, those who lead sacramental preparation programmes and those who are interested in learning more about the grace held in the Sacraments. 28/9, 5, 12, 19, 26/10 and 2/11

Diocesan Centre, Palmerston North
Lecturer: Kate Bell 6-9pm



DIOCESE OF PALMERSTON NORTH - COME WORK WITH US...!

The Catholic communities of Manawatu and Whanganui seek expressions of interest from people with energy, motivation, good communication skills and a passion for faith to fill these key roles. Applicants will be committed to living and sharing their faith in a vibrant way – encouraging the growth of young people's faith and participation in the life and mission of the Church.

MANAWATU

- Multiple opportunities—possible to combine into part or full time positions
- Community House Leader (Te Ahi Kaa)
- Tertiary Chaplain
- St Peter's College Campus Minister
- Parish Youth and Young Adult Ministry

WHANGANUI

- Youth Minister - Parishes and Cullinane College
- 20 hours per week with potential to increase hours to work with Diocesan Young Catholics team on other initiatives
- Working with young people, students and young adults across the region

Contact Kathleen Field: 021 509 436; 06 350 3834; kfield@pndiocese.org.nz to apply for any role or for further information