

# MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY

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| <b>SUNDAY MASS TIMES:</b>         | <b>Miha Maori</b>                               | <b>Patea</b>   | <b>Waverley</b> | <b>RECONCILIATION:</b>         |
| St. Anne's Tues 11.30am, Sat 9.30 | Sun. 1 Kaiwhaiki 11.00am 9.30                   | Sun 1 & 3 9.30 | Sun 2 & 4 9.30  | St Annes Sat. 9.00—9.20am      |
| St Mary's 9.30am & 6.00pm         | Sun. 3 St Mary's 9.30am                         | Wed 2 & 9.30   | Wed 1 & 3 9.30  | St Mary's Thurs & Fri 11.30—12 |
| Holy Family Sat. Vigil: 5.30pm    | Sun. 4 Jerusalem/Ranana 10.00am<br>(Hiruharama) |                |                 | Holy Family Sat. 5.00-5.20pm   |

|                         | ST MARY'S                                                  | HOLY FAMILY                            | ST ANNE'S/OTHERS                               |
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| <b>MONDAY 20 Feb</b>    | 7.00pm Pro-life Rosary                                     | 9.00am Service                         |                                                |
| <b>TUESDAY 21 Feb</b>   | 12.05pm Mass                                               | 10.00am Mass<br>4.00pm Legion of Mary  | 10.30am Jane Winstone<br>11.30am St Annes Mass |
| <b>WEDNESDAY 22 Feb</b> | 12.05pm Mass                                               | 9.00am Mass<br>10am Funeral            | 9.30am Waverley Mass                           |
| <b>THURSDAY 23 Feb</b>  | 11.30am Reconciliation<br>12.05pm Mass<br>5.30pm Adoration | 9.00am Mass<br>9.30am Exposition/Craft | 9.15am Nazareth Mass                           |
| <b>FRIDAY 24 Feb</b>    | 9-12 Adoration<br>11.30am Reconciliation<br>12.05pm Mass   | 9.00am Mass                            | 10.45am Cullinane Mass                         |
| <b>SATURDAY 25 Feb</b>  |                                                            | 5.00pm Reconciliation<br>5.30pm Mass   | 9.00am Reconciliation<br>9.30am Mass           |

**ICPE WELCOME:** St Mary's school and ourselves will be welcoming ICPE on Sunday 26th February following the 6pm Mass. There will be a Pot Luck Dinner. We ask parishioners to bring a finger food plate and hope you will be able to join in the welcome.

**INDIAN MASS:** There will be a Mass celebrated in Indian, the Syro-Malabar Rite, at Holy Family Church on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February at 6pm. They will recite the Rosary at 5.30pm. All are invited.

**SHROVE TUESDAY:** The Burning and Blessing of Ashes will take place at Holy Family Church on Tuesday 28 February at 7.00pm. This will be followed by pancakes. We would appreciate donations of pancakes. Please contact Moira on 344 2674 if you are able to help. Many thanks to everyone who generously responds when we host such events.

**THANKS:** Thank you to the people who made donations to the Save the Children Fund collection that was held in conjunction with the Nativity display at Holy Family. We were able to give them \$25.

**WANTED TO RENT:** A one or two bedroom house or unit with one bathroom, within walking distance to Wanganui Hospital. Reasonable rent. Mrs Minnu Mary Thomas. (0220167532).

*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:** Mary Leathley (Taradale) (22/01), Lawrence Henry Lee (14/12/16); Frank Crotty (18/12), Bill Davison, Teresa Hagenaaars (8/2), Bill Byford (Taihape) (26/1), Pat Lloyd (Fr Michael Lloyds brother), Monica Roberts (Lynette Roberts-King's mother), Alex Leone, Laurie Conder. (Auckland)

**CONDOLENCES: ANNIVERSARIES:** Johanna Mannex (29/12), Henry Gallagher (12/01), Craig Shore (16/01), Paul Fahy (17/01), Joan Triplow (22/01), Anne Wham (24/01), Joan Phillips (28/01). Lou Egan (8/2), Joseph Egan (14/2), Pat Shepherd (20/2), Matthew Deazeley (19/2), Pauline Kennedy (19/2), David Bierman (21/2)/07)

**MASS OFFERINGS:** Mary Gudsell (11/9), Fr. D Levins; Peter Bamford; Verv Ennis, The Souls of John J Boyle, Margaritas Reyes, Petronilag Reyes, Ellen Connors (19/1), Stan Connors (25/1), Laurence Conder (good health), Doug Newick, Fr Anton Fuerstenberger (8/1 -75th birthday), Theresia Jankowski (11/2) birthday). For all the Holy Souls, Patricia Osborne, Allan O'Neill (2/2), Mary Jane Figueroa (fast recovery), Mervyn Charles; Emil Sheriden (22/02).

## 19 FEBRUARY 2017

7TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

READINGS THIS WEEK:

**1st:** Lev.19.1-2, 17-18 Love of Neighbour  
**2nd:** 1 Cor.3.16-23 Temple of God  
**Gospel:** Matt 5.38-48 Love of Enemies  
**Readings for next week:** ; Isa.49.14-15 1 Cor.4.1-5  
**Gospel:** Matt 6.24-34

Jesus tells us: "Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect." (Mtt 5: 48) How, then, is the Father perfect? He is perfect in love since, "God is love." (1 Jn 4: 16) We are given, by faith, the opportunity to participate in this love and to live it out in the Church and in the world. Our ability to aspire to this perfection, however, is not brought about through our own efforts rather: "Love has been perfected among us in this: that we have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, for perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us." (1 Jn 4: 17-19) We can only be perfect as the Sermon on the Mount challenges us to be when we realise how much God loves us and continues to do so. This is made most visible in Jesus Christ: "But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ dies for us." (Rom 5: 8) It is only then that we can keep the commandments which to worldly people sound crazy: "But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you..." (Mtt 5: 44) So it is that: "The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also." (1 Jn 4: 21)

(Fr Marcus)

### Next Week's Reading: EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Isaiah 49:14-15; I Corinthians 4:1-5; Matthew 6:24-34

Perhaps the most significant line in next week's readings is Jesus' remark, "No one can serve two masters." In the Hebrew Scriptures, those who serve God, and in the Christian Scriptures, those who follow Jesus, are expected to do it with every fibre of their being. *'You cannot serve God and wealth'* Matthew's Jesus says. We're to make God the focus of our lives and be faithful to that even when we don't feel all our needs are being met.

The prophet in the reading from Isaiah was talking to Jews in captivity in Babylon who believed their needs weren't being met because they'd been deserted by their God. After more than 50 years as exiles they had good reason for believing that they had no hope of ever returning to Israel. Moreover, at that point in salvation history, most Jews believed that their God was God only in Israel and nowhere else. So why trust a God who was helpless in Babylon? However, the prophet thought differently. He was convinced that God was more concerned for the captive Israelites than a mother is for the child she is breastfeeding. *'Can a woman forget her nursing child.....even these may forget, yet I will not forget you.'* Five hundred years later, Jesus of Nazareth is trying to convince his followers about the very same thing. Were they going to be left in the lurch by God if they followed Jesus' radical preaching? After they generously gave of themselves to those around them, what would happen to them? *'What shall we eat.....drink.....wear?'*

Next week Matthew's Jesus spends time assuring them (and us) of God's care and concern.

*"Your heavenly Father knows that you need them all these things....strive first for the kingdom Of God .....and all these things will be added unto you.'* If we really focus on God, the gospel is telling us, we'll begin to notice God acting in lives and we'll also begin to notice God taking care of our lives.

JB Kendall rsj

## CHURCHES & PEOPLE

### •Holy Family

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 Office hours

### •St. Anne's

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### •St. Mary's

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### •St. Patrick's

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### St. Francis de Sales

cnr Wilson & Brassey Sts  
 Waverley

### Fr. Marcus Francis

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### Father John Roberts

Infirmus ero ,et cura pastoralis  
 elderly 0276346877

### Fr. Des Levins

Retired 348 9093

### Norma O'Connor

Parish Assistant

### Jo Boulton

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### Jane O'Connell

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 348 9303

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 027 2334557

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 (027) 600 0662

### Sue Langford

Chairperson of Finance Team  
 3444624

### Kevin Foley

Chairperson of Liturgy  
 345 0542.

GENERAL BUSINESS

MASS OFFERINGS

WANGANUI CATHOLICS' WEEKLY

## OUR FAITHSHARING GROUPS

**WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING**  
No more meetings until the end of February.

### FAITHSHARING

Rosary and Scripture  
Wed. 10.30am  
St Mary's Meeting 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 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 7.00pm - 9.00pm

Please note earlier start just for this week.

We will finish with supper.

Please bring some food to share.

Holy Family Meeting Room

MORNING: Tuesday 11.00am - 12.15pm

St Mary's Meeting Room

**The topic will be: "A different slant on Lent".**

**Hosts: Mary Wood 344 3552, Nancie & Brian Quigley 347 8177** (Evening Group)

**Jo Smillie 345 0609 (Morning Group)**

**Led by Sr John Bosco Kendall rsj**

Te Punanga o Hōhepa



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### Liturgy – Unity in Diversity

Sunday 19 February, 4 – 5pm

### DVD Evening – Woodlawn

A gifted high school football player must learn to boldly embrace his talent and his faith as he battles racial tensions on and off the field. This film is set in early 1970s Birmingham, Alabama, USA.

Thursday 23 February, 6.30pm, Koha  
*Supper provided*

### Shrove Tuesday celebration with breakfast

Tuesday 28 February, 9.15 – 10.30am

To register please call Pam on 3455047 ext 3 or email [pam.hopper@sosj.org.au](mailto:pam.hopper@sosj.org.au)

### Stations of the Cross

(When, Where & Why???)

Lent is a time for reflections, renewal of covenant, and revival of spirit. This year we will have the opportunity to publicly profess our faith by walking and praying the Stations of the Cross during 6 Fridays of Lent. **"If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me." (Luke 9:23)** You are welcome to come and join us as we take this walk – stopping at each station for prayer and meditation. This can be a moving experience for individuals or families. Please plan to prayerfully participate in this very personal walk with Jesus. Come, just as you are on the following FRIDAYS:

**3 March --- 6pm @ St Mary's Church**

**10 March --- 6pm @ St Mary's Church**

**17 March --- 6pm @ St Mary's Church**

**24 March --- 6pm @ St Mary's Church**

**31 March --- 6pm @ St Mary's Church**

**7 April --- 6pm @ St Mary's Church**

### MARAE TIME

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



### Marae Time

Fall prevention at Marae Time  
Time: 9am-10am. 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.



### MARIAN MOTHERS THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Get it right today, for today will never come again.



### Hall/Marae

Parishioners are encouraged to publicise use of the hall/marae complex either for their own use or by organisations and individuals of their acquaintance.

We need to support the Trust which manages these assets and help it to update the heaters and kitchen. The hall is ideal for children's birthday parties or parishioners celebrating wedding anniversaries and family reunions.

### Funerals

Parishioners are advised that they have the freedom and right to request the celebrant of their choice for funerals and weddings as well as other sacraments. Due to the need to balance work load and other variables your first preference may not always be available. The Parish Priest retains the discretion to assist you by finding another priest to provide the necessary pastoral care and sacrament. It is also advisable for ALL parishioners that you record on paper your wishes for your funeral liturgy beforehand, including the songs and readings, so that relatives and friends do not need to guess your intentions.



## OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

### WHAT'S UP?

### Cullinane College

**Principal:** Kevin Shore  
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Welcome home to Piper Zimmerman and Macy Duxfield who have been over in the blast furnace that is Sydney for the past week. They have been over there with Senora Penn at a Josephite sponsored leadership course and have just returned. Each week is beginning to get busier now as the term progresses. This week is no exception as we have our House Athletics Day on Tuesday at Cooks Gardens. Important House points and House pride are on the line this year as Marist tries to retain their championship form from last year. Come on down and check out the action if you can spare the time.

Thursday and Friday will have our Gateway students participating in a Workplace First Aid Course, an important aspect of their programme in preparing for their future pathways. Finally, on Friday we have our second class Mass in St Joseph's Chapel at 10:45am. This week's celebration is being hosted by the students in 13LP. Everyone is invited to attend and support our students in this important aspect of our Special Character. Be sure to check out our website and Facebook page in order to keep up to the minute with events and happenings

### ICPE– 25 Feb-3 March 2017

Time 7pm-8.30pm  
Tuesday 28 Feb Shrove Tuesday Service/seminar 1 @ Holy Family Ash Wednesday 1 March Ecumenical Service/Seminar II @ St Annes  
Thursday 2 March Seminar III at St Annes Church  
Friday 3 March Seminar IV @ St Marys Church

### Who are we?

We are Catholic missionaries part of an International Association of Christ's faithful with Pontifical Right, based in Wellington. We are involved in ministries within and outside New Zealand and have been brought together by one person– JESUS! Our lives have been touched and changed by his love and mercy. Now we are here to share with you what we have been given, that you may too also receive CHRIST'S LIGHT!

### ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**Principal:** Karl Zimmerman  
**DRS:** Jo Gichard.  
Raine St. Wanganui East  
Ph: 343 8389



Email: [office@stannes.school](mailto:office@stannes.school)  
Our whole school is currently planning a whole school marae visit later this term to Whangaehu marae and we are currently proposing the date of Wednesday 29th March. Our Te Reo programmes in the school has been a focus for the past 2 years and actually being present on a marae will give our children a really authentic experience. Whangaehu marae is important to us as we have a number of whanau who are tangata whenua of this marae.

We will also be celebrating Ash Wednesday with a liturgy at St Anne's at 9.10am

### What Earth is asking of us : Welcome to a workshop day on Saturday 11 March

Two Dominican sisters from the United States are visiting New Zealand during March. Sisters Margaret Galliard and Sharon Zayak will facilitate a workshop day for people of our diocese. Building on insights from Pope Francis's encyclical *Laudato Si*, Sharon and Margaret will help us to explore our response to the cry of the earth at this time in history.

The day will include prayer and reflection, times of quiet and times of sharing. Everyone is welcome!

Venue : Catholic Diocesan Centre, 33 Amesbury Street, Palmerston North  
When : 10.00am - 4.00pm Saturday 11 March 2017

Cost : \$30 waged; \$15 unwaged  
Or KOHA.

(Please don't stay away because of finance!)

### Hibernian Catholic Benefit Society – St Patrick's Branch 400

Fourth quarterly meeting, Monday 20 February 2017 in the Gathering Area, Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, 197 Broadway Ave, Palmerston North. Visitors or anyone interested in becoming a member are most welcome.

Enquiries to Kevin Frost, Secretary,

Tel (06) 3577844 or email

[kfassociates@xtra.co.nz](mailto:kfassociates@xtra.co.nz)

### ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

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### ST. MARCELLIN SCHOOL

**Principal:** Maia Williams  
**Acting DRS:**  
Totara St. Wanganui.  
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E ngā mana, e ngā reo, tēnā koutou.

All classes have had their first swimming lessons, and by the stroke of luck it went *swimmingly*. On Tuesday, students from Whānau Tawa joined fellow parishioners to affirm the Gospel of the Lord. Thank you to Matua Pat for his ongoing support and guidance to all students and teachers.

A reminder that we have weekly Masses in Holy Family's Chapel, at 10am.

Also on our weekly calendar is our year 7 & 8 students attending technology at Cullinane College. Starting next Tuesday is touch rugby and I am pleased that we will register 3 teams for this touch module. Please come along and support the children of your parish. Ngā manaakitanga, Maia Williams.

A time to explore a possible calling from God to become a Sister of Mercy.

Single women are invited to attend an event at Mercy Centre, Thorndon, Wellington on Sunday 9 April from 11.45am – 5pm, lunch included.

Bookings are necessary.

Please contact Sister Stephanie on 04-8198312 or [skit2@xtra.co.nz](mailto:skit2@xtra.co.nz).

### Baptisms in in our Parish

Gabriel Morton was baptised at St Marys on the 8th of February. Congratulations to you and your family.



### BURNING OF PALMS:

In preparation for Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday could you please leave your old palms from last year in the foyer of the churches.