

# MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY

**SUNDAY MASS TIMES:**

<b>Miha Maori</b>	<b>Patea</b>	<b>Waverley</b>	<b>RECONCILIATION:</b>
St. Anne's Tues 11.30am, Sat 9.30	Sun 1 & 3 9.30	Sun 2 & 4 9.30	Sat. 9.00—9.20am
Sun. 1 Kaiwhaiki 11.00am 9.30	Sun 1 & 3 9.30	Sun 2 & 4 9.30	St Annes
Sun. 3 St Mary's 9.30am	Wed 2 & 9.30	Wed 1 & 3 9.30	St Mary's
Sun. 4 Jerusalem/Ranana 10.00am	(Hiruharama)	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 17 April-Restarts 1 May	Thurs & Fri 11.30—12
			Holy Family Sat. 5.00-5.20pm

	ST MARY'S	HOLY FAMILY	ST ANNE'S/OTHERS
<b>MONDAY 1 May</b>	7pm Pro-Life Rosary	9.00am Service	
<b>TUESDAY 2 May</b>	12.05pm Mass	10.00am Mass 4.00pm Legion of Mary 5.15pm MOWAC	10.30am Jane Winstone Mass 11.30am St Annes Mass
<b>WED 3 May</b>	12.05pm Mass 5.30pm Hui at St Marys	9.00am Mass 9.30am St Joseph Prayers	9.30am Waverley Mass
<b>THURSDAY 4 May</b>	12.05 pm Mass Exposition follows Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am Exposition/Craft	9.15am Nazareth Mass
<b>FRIDAY 5 May</b>	9am-12pm Exposition 11.45am Benediction 12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	10.45 Cullinane Mass
<b>SATURDAY 6 May</b>		5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil	9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass

**Benediction**  
Previously, it has been signalled that weekly Benediction would take place on Thursdays. From 5th May onwards the day will be changed to Friday with Benediction at approximately 11.45am.

**RAFFLE:** Many thanks to all who supported the St. Vincent de Paul raffle. 1<sup>st</sup> prize No.68 Joyce Butler: 2<sup>nd</sup> prize No 168 Pat & Mary White: 3<sup>rd</sup> prize No. 175 Colleen Wester.

**MASS IN INDIAN:** The next Mass in Indian Syro-Malabar Rite will be at Holy Family Church on Sunday 7 May at 6pm. The Rosary will be recited at 5.30pm.

*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:** Peter Farr (Waverley), Trevor Blakemore (20/2), Fr. Pat McCullough (Wellington), Fr Des Levins, Kathleen (Kay) Mitchell, Aileen Croasdale, Bernard Fenerty, Margaret Back (Patea), Roger Allen, Jenny Dravitski

**CONDOLENCES: ANNIVERSARIES:** Deanna Shepherd (10/4), John Smillie (3/4), Maureen Brown-Sharpe (25/4), Dora Edmonds (21/4), Rose O'Leary (6/4), Margaret Shaw (25/3), Elsie Pinkerton (1/4), Mandy Dodd (22/4), Shane Gallagher (08/04), Joyce Burrell (20/04), Peter Vodanovich (24/4), John McDonald (16/4), Bernard Daws, Mr Toh Keng Seng & Madame Choe Gim Bee (26/4) Maurice Joseph O'Neill (25/4), Norah Barron (16/4), Frances Jones (3/5)

**MASS OFFERINGS:** Fr Levins, Rose O'Leary, Deceased members of O'Kane, Doherty and Culver families, Dave Moriarty (25/4), Neil Crowley (27/4), C & M Little and family, Des Thorne (8/4), Morrie Meynell (26/4), Roger Allen, John McDonald (16/4), Living and deceased members of Manson and Walsh families, Alex Leone, Mass for "D" souls of Vicente R Reyes, Potenciana S Reyes, Margarita S Reyes, Euologio S Reyes, Soilo S Reyes, Lucid S. Reyes, Petronila G Reyes, Guillerma E Reyes, Trevor Blake More, Alan R Wilson and family, James Stewart, Jenny Dravitski, Nell Mullins (8/5), Terry Mullins, Adrienne Rea, Deceased members Gallen family

**30 APRIL 2017**  
**3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**This weeks readings Acts 2.14, 22b-28 1 Pet.1.17-21, Lk.24.13-35**

Today we read of the disciples who tell Jesus: "But we had hoped that he (Jesus) was the one to redeem Israel." (Jn 24: 21) Instead of basking in the glory of the Messiah they walk away from Jerusalem dejected and hopeless. Just like the Prodigal Son, wallowing in his pity, they are bankrupt and disheartened. Like many Catholics today they have heard of God, been to Catholic schools and received the first sacraments but now there is nothing to look forward to and nothing to celebrate. Emmaus is a staging post on the road to nowhere.

Yet, once they have had their say, Jesus patiently reveals to them the message of the Scriptures once again. It is only, however, at the breaking of the bread that they recognise him for who he is and reflect: "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" (Lk 24: 32)

Do we, as practising Catholics, have the patience to listen to the stories of lapsed Catholics? Do we love them enough to communicate how wonderful God is and that the Bible is true? Are we capable of participating in the Mass with such faith, hope and love that any visitor will recognise the Lord "in the breaking of the bread" (cf. Lk 24: 31) when they come to church with us?

Fr Marcus

## Next Week's FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Peter 2:20b-25; John 10:1-10

Next week's gospel reading shows the dramatic shift in emphasis which took place after Jesus' death and resurrection. Prior to his crucifixion Jesus was the preacher. After his resurrection he became the one preached about. When Jesus was criticised for associating with sinners, Matthew, Mark and Luke all had Jesus reminding his critics that even they themselves went after the lost: women stopped their housework to search for a lost coin; shepherds left their flocks to go after a lost sheep. However, John is the only evangelist who actually identified Jesus as the ideal shepherd who cared for the entire flock. *'The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep .....the sheep follow him, because they know his voice.'*

A little later in the reading, John changed the whole figure of speech and made Jesus the gate for the sheep – *'Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture.'* Early Christians saw Jesus himself, not just his message, as the centre of their faith. That meant doing more than following Jesus' teachings. It meant taking on his values and showing in their lives the same forgiveness, compassion, justice, mercy and inclusiveness that he did and the public sign of that commitment was baptism in the name of Jesus the Christ.

As baptised people our call is to listen to the voice of the shepherd, too, to recognise and rejoice in what Jesus is offering us when he says in the words of the gospel *'I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved.....I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.'* We belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to us.

That is the joy of the Gospel.

JB Kendall rsj.

## CHURCHES & PEOPLE

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GENERAL BUSINESS

MASS OFFERINGS

WHANGANUI CATHOLICS' WEEKLY

## OUR FAITHSHARING GROUPS

**WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING**  
The next meeting will be held Wed 3 May at 10am Phone 3443137  
All are welcome.

**Mainly Music**  
Contact Anne 3446569  
Facebook: Mainly music-st annes

**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:**  
**The Evening Group will resume Monday 1st May.**

**The Morning Group will resume Tuesday 2nd May.**

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

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### Harvest Liturgy

Sunday 30 April, 4 – 5pm

### Tending the Soul as We Journey

Monday 8 May, 10am – 3pm, Koha  
with Catherine Woodcock rsj

### World Fair Trade Day – High Tea & Collection for Oxfam

Thursday 11 May, 2.30 – 3.30pm

To register call Pam on 345 5047 ext 3  
or email [pam.hopper@sosj.org.au](mailto:pam.hopper@sosj.org.au)

### Hui Wednesday 3rd May at 5.30pm

All parishioners are invited to attend a hui considering the future options/ideas for maximising use of Te Rau Oriwa Marae, St Joseph's Hall and the community garden.

The discussion will begin at 5.30pm in the **Marae** followed by hospitality from 6.30pm in the hall. Anyone interested in the friendship meal, Marae Time and other social justice initiatives is especially encouraged to join in the conversation.

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

**First Quarterly Meeting followed by AGM: 5.30pm, Monday 15 May 2017 in the Gathering Area, Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, 197 Broadway Avenue, 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)**

Save the Children are having an Open Day on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 25 Gilligan Close (off Purnell St) from 10am-3pm.

Good stock of souvenirs and warm socks for sale. All welcome. Look for our flag.

### CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE

is holding the CWL Diocesan Conference in Palmerston North, April 26-27, at the Diocesan Centre (33 Amesbury St). The nearby Broadway Motel has been set aside for those attending. Kay Blackburn the National President and Susan Dickson, National Social Concerns will be there, as well as speakers from PARS and Bev Raine, talking on the environment. For further information contact Janice Goldsworthy 06 753 6923 or [janicegoldsworthy45@gmail.com](mailto:janicegoldsworthy45@gmail.com)

### Make your own rosary

Come and join Chris Walker in making your own Rosary and hear about the history and traditions of this devotion.  
To be held on Saturday 13th May at 1pm at St Marys Church.  
Cost \$20.00 per person.

### MARAE TIME

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

### Marae Time

Fall prevention with Age Concern at Marae Time.  
Tuesdays Time: 9am-10am.  
All welcome

### PLEASE COLLECT

**Planned giving envelopes and receipts**  
Envelopes and receipts are now ready for collection from St Mary's and Holy Family.

Thank you for your generous support.



## OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE WHAT'S UP?

### Cullinane College

**Principal:** Kevin Shore  
**DRS:** Helen Dougherty  
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School Holidays

### ST. MARCELLIN SCHOOL

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School Holidays

### ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**Principal:** Karl Zimmerman  
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School Holidays

### Calling all Passionist Family Group leaders and members (and those curious to join PFG)

Our annual formation day is **SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY 9.30am – 3.30pm** at the Diocesan Centre, Amesbury St, PN. Come to be informed and inspired about: modern marriage, ageing, conscience and moral decision-making. Bring a gold coin donation and a plate for shared lunch. Tea and coffee provided.



Please RSVP to Jenny 0274187906 or email [doidgefamily@xtra.co.nz](mailto:doidgefamily@xtra.co.nz) by Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 12 noon.

Or phone Barbara Vine on 345 7757 .

### Fr Kevin Head

On May 7-8 the parish will receive a visit by Fr Kevin Head sm. He will promote the Marist Messenger publication as well as celebrating the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 8 May. I encourage parishioners to support Catholic publications and take any opportunity to broaden their knowledge of the faith and deepen their devotions. The Marist Fathers made a great contribution to the life of St Mary's and we are grateful for their spiritual influence on the Catholics of the Whanganui.

If you wish to have the Parish Bulletin emailed to you on a weekly basis please contact the Parish Office. You can do this in person or simply email the office to indicate your desire to receive the email in this way. We promise not to spam you! However, when there are events in the parish, of particular note, we might notify you by email to ensure that you do not miss out.

### Relics

The parish of Whanganui is fortunate to possess a number of relics. At present they are stored in different places including the tabernacle at St Mary's. To provide these sacred items with a suitable home the parish has obtained a glass case which will be situated in the body of the church. If you possess relics, such as fragments of the veil of Ven. Mother Aubert, and do not know what to do with them you can donate them to the parish and they will be displayed with the others in the reliquary.

### Missing

Keys for organ, piano and music room. On a ring with green plastic tag. Please phone 3433374 or leave at Parish Office.

### First Reconciliation Programme

This starts on Sunday the 7th May at 5pm.  
Enrolment forms are available in the church foyer or at the Office.



### It's not too late!

You and your spouse deserve nothing but the best for your relationship regardless of your age, whether the kids are young or left the nest, or whether you have been married 1 year or 100 years! Why would you not want the very best? What have you got to lose? We know that even those couples that think they are ok and do have a good relationship have made wonderful discoveries and deepened their love for each other after attending a **Marriage Encounter Weekend**. Gift your spouse something so special that they will thank you for the rest of their lives! Join us on the next weekend!

**Weekend Date: 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> May. To be held at Masters Hall SH2 Pahiatua. Ph. 0800 362 686 for more information and to book a place on the weekend.**