

MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY

SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Miha Maori	Patea	Waverley	RECONCILIATION:
St. Anne's Tues 11.30am, Sat 9.30am	Sun 1 Kaiwhaiki 11.00am 9.30am	Sun 1 & 3 9.30am	Sun 2 & 4 9.30am
Sun. 3 St Mary's 9.30am	Wed 2 & 9.30am	Wed 1 & 3 9.30am	St Annes Sat. 9.00—9.20am
Sun. 4 Jerusalem/Ranana 10.00am (Hiruharama)			St Mary's Fri 11.00—11.40am
			Holy Family Sat. 5.00-5.20pm

	ST MARY'S	HOLY FAMILY	ST ANNE'S/OTHERS
MON 24 July	7pm Pro-Life Rosary	9.00am Service	
TUES 25 July	12.05pm Mass	10.00am Mass 4.00pm Legion of Mary	11.30am St Annes Mass 3.30pm Kowhainui
WED 26 July	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	9.30am Waverley Mass
THURS 27 July	12.05 pm Mass Exposition follows Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am Exposition/Craft	9.15am Nazareth Mass
FRIDAY 28 July	9am-12pm Exposition 11.00am Reconciliation 11.45am Benediction 12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	9.30am St Annes Jubilee Mass 10.45am Cullinane
SAT 29 July		5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass

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Readings for this week: Wis.12.13, 16-19 Rom 8.26-27

(Matthew 13: 24-43)

If we had the Parable of the sower last week in our Gospel, we have this time another "agricultural" parable: **that of the Weeds and the Wheat.**

God wants all to be saved: good and bad, saint and sinner alike, with equal graces for both. If that is the case, who are we now to limit God's all-embracing salvific love? Who are we to refuse accepting the weeds of life, and restrict ourselves to only the wheat?

In the face of good and evil, we need an extra dose of patience --- something that we must pray hard for these days. Our prayer should not be like that of the famous joke: "*Dear God, I pray for patience. And I want it right now!*" That's not the kind of prayer which our Second reading today talks about, the prayer inspired by the Spirit.

Patience makes us endure the evils of this world --- not only with dumb resignation, but also with a song of joy. Patience coupled with faith which makes us affirm that through and in spite of it all, it is still right and just to give God thanks and praise. We do this most especially in our Sunday Eucharistic celebration.

May we all be motivated by God's patient and all-embracing love in everything we do, as we strive to accept, love and uphold our society, where the Kingdom of God germinates --- with both the weeds and wheat.

Fr Don Don

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

I Kings 3:5, 7-12; Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52

Have you ever thought that there were three basic questions at the heart of Jesus' ministry: What are you looking for in life? Where will you find it? What's the price tag?

Jesus wasn't the first one in the bible to have that focus.

In next week's first reading, God asks Solomon what he's looking for and his reply is worth thinking about. He asks, not for anything material, but for **an understanding mind** that will enable him to live and rule wisely and well. The authors of the Hebrew Scriptures believed that thinking was a function of the heart, not the brain. So to have an understanding mind was to be wise in the Scriptural sense, able to recognise and appreciate God at work in the world, knowing how to respond to God's presence and readily giving one's whole heart to the Kingdom of God.

In the gospel reading, Matthew's Jesus compares it to finding hidden treasure or the rarest of pearls for either of which there's no price too high to pay. Paul spells out that price for us in the second reading. If we really want the 'understanding mind' that Solomon asked for, then, Paul says, we must model ourselves on Christ - *For those whom God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son.....* Among other things, that means consciously living with and loving the 'mixed bag' we talked about last week. It doesn't matter if our love is returned or rejected, it must always be given. That's part of the cost of modelling ourselves on Christ.

JB Kendall rsj

Euthanasia Bill

The starting point for our decision making in social, political and moral issues is the protection of human life from conception to the grave.

David Seymour's Bill legalising Euthanasia and assisted suicide has its first reading in Parliament at the end of the month. Fill out the yellow card so we can indicate to our local MP that the protection of all human life is essential for our society and we ask them to vote against the Bill. All you need to do is fill in your name and electorate and the name of your MP. The local MP is Chester Borrowes.

This needs to be sent before the 30th of July.

The Catholic Discipleship College invites you to a 10th Anniversary Fundraising Dinner

6pm Saturday 5th August | \$60 Ticket | Includes 3 course meal with a glass of bubbly on arrival .
BYO drinks. Live Entertainment and Raffle. To book your ticket email info@cdc.ac.nz or call 09 489 8197 |
RSVP by 24th July.

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: Harry Triplow, Shirley Boyle, James Bartosh, Phyllis O'Hara, Mikaele Perez, Paerangi Lewis

CONDOLENCES: ANNIVERSARIES: Betty La Roche (29/7), Jess Punch (2/7), Patricia Tasker (27/7), Rosina Gallagher (07/07), Katherine Reid (20/7), Laurie Conder (10/07), Edwiin Wynncroucher (14/7), Katie Moriarty (26/7), George Barr (1/7), Janet Flintoff (16/7), Hilda Hughes (19/7), Bill Eriksen (24/7), Allan Gray (14/7), Iolande Murphy (11/7), Patricia Albert (24/7), Brian Alexander (28/7)

MASS OFFERINGS: Patrick Vaughan (19/6), Bob Kavanagh (30/6), Kirsty Campbell (30/6), Anne Haddock (3/7), Fr Levins, Fr Corcoran, Pa Hancy, Ericsson, Flynn, Summerhays and Cromarty families, Christopher O'Kane, Phyl O'Hara, Erin McCrea Bartrum (26/7)

GENERAL BUSINESS

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OUR FAITHSHARING GROUPS

WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING

The next meeting will be held 10am on the 26th July at Moya Ericsson, 17 Lindsay Crescent. Phone 344 3137 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

EVENING and MORNING GROUP:
*We will be taking our annual
winter break, now that it is
getting cold and dark!*

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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Writing for Self-Awareness & Healing Workshop

Writing is an expansive process.

Writing opens you up and helps complete
your inner cycle.

Writing therapy can be used for:
expression; understanding old hurts;
dreaming; increasing awareness; trialling
new ideas; discharge; meditation etc.
This workshop will use a number of
processes to invite you to unlock
unfinished business & build awareness, in
a safe environment.

Please bring your lunch on both days.

Saturday 12th August 10am – 5pm

Sunday 13th August 10am – 1pm

\$20 for the weekend - with Fliss Newton,
Jacque Aldridge & Mary Proctor.

Tending the Soul as we Journey

Monday 14 August, 10am – 3pm Koha -
with Catherine Woodcock rsj

Tui Motu Group

Wednesday 16 August, 4.30 – 6pm

Liturgy

Sunday 20 August, 4 – 5pm

To register please call Pam on 3455047
ext 3

or email pam.hopper@sosj.org.au

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.



Holy Cross Seminary

www.holycross.org.nz

Fr Marcus will be away

Fr Marcus will be out of the country
on a holiday from July 17 - August 14.
Fr John Dykes, ordinarily on
retirement in Taupo, will supply for his
Masses and be available, along with
Frs Dondon and John, for general
pastoral duties.

A FUNDRAISER FOR THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF WHANGANUI

You're invited to
HIGH TEA

Tickets \$15
AVAILABLE FROM
ST MARY'S CHURCH OFFICE
(1 CAMPBELL STREET)

Bring a friend
AND ENJOY A LOVELY
AFTERNOON OF FANCY
TEA, SCUMPTIOUS FOOD,
AND GOOD COMPANY

SUNDAY 13TH AUGUST
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Calling on young New Zealanders to share their voice with the Vatican

Young New Zealanders are being called to share their views about life, faith,
and their experience of Church through an online survey published today by the
New Zealand Catholic Bishops.

The Catholic Church is launching a nation-wide survey for all youth. The survey
is part of an international effort by Pope Francis to better understand the lives,
attitudes and concerns of young people around the world, in the lead up to the
Synod on "Young people, faith and vocational discernment" in Rome, October
2018.

New Zealanders aged 16 – 29 years old are encouraged to answer the survey
and tell their friends about it and share the link with their networks. The survey
will go live on 23 July and will run for five weeks, with the closing date for
responses midnight on Sunday, 27 August 2017.

The survey will be found at <https://www.facebook.com/voicetovaticanNZ>
and on the home page of the New Zealand Catholic Bishops' website:
<http://www.catholic.org.nz/>

OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE WHAT'S UP?



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School Holidays



ST. Marcellin School

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School Holidays



ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

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Email: school@stmarys.ac.nz
School Holidays



AGM

Te Rau Oriwa AGM
30th July at 11am at St Marys
Community Room. All welcome.
For more information phone:
Barbara on 3457757.

ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Karl Zimmerman
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School Holidays



First Communion Programme.

First Eucharist Celebration will be on
Sunday 10th September at 9.30am.
The Programme starts Sunday 30th
July at 5pm at St Marys Church until
Sunday 3rd September.



We embrace the bicultural nature of Aotearoa New Zealand.

We ourselves are growing in our understanding that this is much more than questions of language.
Bicultural partnerships and participation enrich any group because they anticipate an
expansion of understanding of the fundamental elements of human society including
land, people and purpose.
Every absence of bicultural partnership is an impoverishment of our society.

We welcome the completion of iwi treaty claims and rejoice in the renewed mana that
these agreements unleash.

(NZ Catholic Bishops Conference)

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Conference

StAnne's Catholic School Jubilee

Friday 28 July

Please join us to celebrate the 75th Jubilee of St Anne's
Catholic School

Friday 28th July commencing at 9.30am

Procession from the original school site to the current site Jubilee mass
beginning at 10am

Shared memories and tour of the school

Morning tea and display of old photos

We would love to share our special day with you.

Please RSVP to stannes75@stannes.school.nz by Monday 24th July.
Warmest regards, Joanne Gichard, DRS



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