

MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY

SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Miha Maori	Patea	Waverley	RECONCILIATION:
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
Sun. 1	St Mary's 9.30am	Wed 2 & 9.30	Wed 1 & 3 9.30
Sun. 3	Sun. 4 Jerusalem/Ranana 10.00am (Hiruharama)		

	ST MARY'S	HOLY FAMILY	ST ANNE'S/OTHERS
MONDAY 7 Aug	7pm Pro-Life Rosary	9.00am Service	
TUESDAY 8 Aug	12.05pm Mass Mary McKillop Feast Day	10.00am Mass @ School Chapel 4.00pm Legion of Mary	11.30am St Annes Mass Ladies Guild
WED 9 Aug	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	9.30am Waverley Mass
THURSDAY 10 Aug	12.05 pm Mass Exposition follows Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am Exposition/Craft	9.15am Nazareth Mass
FRIDAY 11 Aug	9am-12pm Exposition 11.00am Reconciliation 11.45am Benediction 12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	10.45am Cullinane
SATURDAY 12 Aug		5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass

WHANGANUI PARISH BULLETIN 6 AUGUST 2017 THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD



Readings for this week: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Matthew 17:1-9

TRANSFIGURATION

We sometimes forget that the homily "is highly recommended and necessary for the nurturing of the Christian life. It should be an explanation of some aspect of the readings from Sacred Scripture or another text from the Ordinary or Proper of the Mass of the Day ... and should take into account of the particular needs of the listeners." *[General Instruction of the Roman Missal, n 65]*

The entrance antiphon for the Feast of the Transfiguration is unusually taken from the Gospel of the Feast, "In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared. The Father's voice was heard: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him." *[cf Matthew 17; 5]* From the first moments of today's Mass we are urged to follow God the Father's will, to listen carefully to Christ. Most among us will carefully apply ourselves to the task of listening to Christ's voice as we hear the readings from Scripture.

The Collect of this Mass displays our Lord to the disciples as full of glory, the glory he has the only-begotten Son; the glory that is his for ever in heaven. Against the background of Jesus' prediction of his suffering and death *[Mark 8; 31]* the disciples are strengthened for the ordeal to come. We are strengthened too for in baptism we became adopted sons and daughters of God the Father, and as we pray in the Collect that "we may merit to become co-heirs with" Christ. The Communion Antiphon reminds us that "When Christ appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is." *[1 Jo 3;2]*

Fr John Roberts

NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Next weeks readings: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:22-33

Next week's first reading only makes sense when we understand that it's just a small part of a story recording an incident in the life of the prophet Elijah. A summons from Queen Jezebel has Elijah fearing for his life, changing direction and fleeing into the wilderness. After a forty day trek, he arrives at Horeb (Mount Sinai) where he has an extraordinary encounter with God. When Moses came to the same place, fire and earthquake indicated the presence of God. This time, too, there is earthquake, wind and fire "and after the fire, the sound of sheer silence". It is only in the silence that Elijah experiences God's presence. In the second reading, Paul has a parallel change of direction. He's spent a lifetime following the 613 Mosaic laws and persecuting those who didn't keep them. But his startling encounter with the risen Jesus leads to a change of direction with the realisation that God is calling him to go beyond those regulations to be another Christ.

When Matthew is writing his Gospel about 55 years after the Resurrection, many of his Jewish Christians are beginning to waver and even renounce their faith in Jesus because of being excluded from the synagogue. Fear begins to rule their lives – a change of heart that removes their fear is needed and so we have next week's Gospel story of the disciples caught in a storm on the sea of Galilee. Notice that it is only when Jesus joins them in the boat that things change and their fear disappears. Pope Francis says, "Fear.....is an attitude that harms us. It weakens us, diminishes us. It even paralyzes us..... Christians must be able to hope with courage, open themselves up to discussion and change, and freely welcome God's presence".

JB Kendall rsj

Tuesday August 15th Feast of the Assumption

Mass times areas follows:

9.30am Patea, 10am Holy Family, 10.30am Jane Winstone, 11.30am St Annes, 12.05pm St Marys, 1.20pm Cullinane, 5.30pm St Marys.

Mary McKillop Feast Day

An INVITATION to all Parishioners - to celebrate Mary MacKillop's Feast Day with the Sisters of St Joseph on Tuesday August the 8th at the mid-day Mass at St Marys.



Following the Mass there will be a cuppa for all!

A day of retreat is being held at the Diocesan Centre, Amesbury Street, Palmerston North from 10am to 4pm on Tuesday 12 September. Two experienced retreat givers, Rev Brian Pierce OP and Sister Mary Ellen Green OP will conduct the retreat in the Dominican tradition of contemplation and reflection on the Word, in an environment of silence and prayer. Please bring your own lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. Cost Koha

HOLY HOUR- SUNDAY 6 AUGUST 2.30pm- 3.30pm. Why not spend an hour with the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's Church. Rosary-Chaplet of Mercy- benediction- Hymns.

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: Dylcie Bowden (Australia)

CONDOLENCES: ANNIVERSARIES: Constance McGifford (4/8), Jacqueline Hogan (5/8), Joe Gibbs (20/8), Patrick Bruce (28/8), Noeline Haddock (20/8), Elaine Parsons (09/08); Jack Dodd Snr (18/08) Dora Mary Croucher (30/8)

MASS OFFERINGS: Les Foley (02/08) , Anni Reifenberger (8/8 birthday), Kalala Sesega, Alex Leone, George Hoskin (4/8), Chris, Steve and Andy, Darren Hudson, Knuth & Harris families

CHURCHES

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Father John Roberts

Kevin Foley
Chairperson of Liturgy
345 0542.

OUR FAITHSHARING GROUPS

WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING

The next meeting will be held Wednesday 10am at Margaret Haddock, 7 Gilligan Close Phone 345 2805 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

Te Punanga ō Hōhepa

Josephite Retreat Centre

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

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

Kia ora tātou,

I am writing to let you know the joyful news that Fr Brian Walsh, our Vicar General, has been made a Chaplain to His Holiness Pope Francis and thereby has had bestowed upon him the honorific title of Monsignor.

Technically this is explained by a rather nice familial image: it means he becomes a member of the Papal Household or whānau. While this in practice has little impact when living so far away from Rome, it does mean that if Monsignor Brian is ever in Rome he would be expected to support or tautoko the Pope through his participation in Papal Liturgies in St Peter's.

The title is also a recognition of some priests' particular contribution to Church governance. In our case we can refer to Monsignor Brian's service as Vicar General to the Diocese, Chair of the Clergy Trust Fund and also his natural capacity to be a mentor. Many of you will also be aware of Monsignor Brian's generous ministry as a parish priest, his ready sense of humour, and his self-effacing and quiet encouragement of so many of us (and a few of you have suffered under him on the golf course!).

Personally, I am very grateful for his work as Vicar General and the common sense advice he gives me in regard to the pastoral challenges that come with the shepherding of a Diocese.

I am sure you will join with me in congratulating Monsignor Brian as we celebrate this honour together as a diocesan family.

+ Chelles

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

Marian Mothers

The August meeting of the Marian Mothers will be held on Thursday 10th August at Raewyn Hoskin's home, 95 Alma Road, commencing at 7.30pm.

The subject for discussion this month is "Family Love Mirrors God's Love".

Prayer and supper - Pauline McGregor Raffle - Raewyn Udy

Mothers of all ages are very welcome to attend.

We especially welcome any new members. For enquiries or transport please phone Raewyn, 344 6299

MARIAN MOTHERS THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Sometimes we focus on the lyrics too much, and forget to dance to the music

Hui 20th August 3pm at Te Rau Oriwa Marae.

This is a follow up of the previous Hui held on the 18th of June.

Items to discuss- Social justice, Friendship meal, other issues.

All are welcome



OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

WHAT'S UP?

Cullinane College

Principal: Kevin Shore DRS: Helen Dougherty

15 Peat St., Wanganui Ph: (06) 349 0105 Email: office@cullinane.school.nz www.cullinanecollege.school.nz



On Monday and Tuesday, our Senior Leadership team and Senior deans will be conducting Credit Review interviews with many of our senior students and their parents to ensure that students are on track towards achieving NCEA to the best of their ability. Senior students should be studying for their practice exams which commence in week 5.

Our Year 12 Geography class will be out on Tuesday researching temperature variations throughout the region. Their findings will be interesting.

Tuesday is also the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop; we will join with the Sisters of St Joseph in celebrating the Josephite co-founder.

On Thursday St Bernard's College will be here to play football against us. A Junior debate team goes up against Palmerston North Girls High School.

Friday sees our weekly Mass in our chapel at 10:45am which will be prepared by 12U. We welcome any parishioners who would like to join us.

ST. Marcellin School

Principal: Maia Williams Acting DRS: Korty Wilson

Totara St. Wanganui. Ph: 349 0023 Email: stmarcellin@welearn.school.nz



We effectively do good when we do it without seeking reward and in the concrete situations of everyday life. *Pope Francis.*

Tena koutou,

Duffy books in Homes is back. I enjoyed watching children's eyes shine while they selected books to add to their home library.

This kaupapa is only made possible by the generosity of our Sponsor (anon).

Every Wednesday's, year 7 & 8 students go to Cullinane college for technology.

Year 5 & 6 squash lessons with Sport Whanganui started on Thursday.

A reminder that every Tuesday, at 10am in Holy Family Chapel we gather in worship with our parish community. Mr Grant and Totara class invite you all to join them next week.

The Lord be with you,

Maia Williams.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

Principal: Jacqui Luxton DRS: Cath Daignault

30 London St. Wanganui Ph: 343 1227 Email: school@stmarys.ac.nz



ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Karl Zimmerman DRS: Jo Gichard.

Raine St. Wanganui East Ph: 343 8389 Email: office@stannes.school



St Marys High Tea

Sunday 13th August at 2pm at St Marys Church.

Tickets are on sale after Mass this Sunday @ \$15 each.

Tickets are also available at the office. **Don't miss out!**



Congratulations

Congratulations to Levi King and his family. Levi was baptised on the 29th of July at St Marys.

Congratulations to Ezra Gudsell and his family. Ezra was baptised on the 30th of July at St Annes.



The Diocese of Palmerston North, in conjunction with the Catholic Charities Foundation of Palmerston North, the Tindall Foundation and Catholic Social Services, is seeking applications from parish groups, agencies and Church organisations.

We are especially looking for new applications that support families and social services in the areas of early years, youth development, budgeting, literacy, Maori/cross-cultural, housing, and community service and development.

Application forms and criteria for funding are available from the parish office or the Diocesan Office, Private Bag 11012, Palmerston North – Attention: Mrs Wendy Silver, telephone 06 354 1780 ext 833,

email wsilver@pndiocese.org.nz or you can download a copy of the application form from the diocesan website

<https://pndiocese.org.nz/news-and-events/application-for-funding/>

Applications are to be sent to reach the Diocesan Office by 30 September 2017. Allocations will be made on 24 October 2017.

We envisage a nation that strives to welcome and appreciate migrants as an integral part of our nation. We share the angst that migrant families experience when changes in policy deem them no longer wanted due to perceived shifts in the labour needs of our economy.

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