

# 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 Kaiwhaiki 11.00am 9.30	Sun 1 & 3 9.30	Sun 2 & 4 9.30
St Mary's 9.30am & 6.00pm	Sun. 3 St Mary's 9.30am	Wed 2 & 9.30	Wed 1 & 3 9.30
Holy Family Sat. Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun. 4 Jerusalem/Ranana 10.00am (Hiruharama)		Holy Family Sat. 5.00-5.20pm

	ST MARY'S	HOLY FAMILY	ST ANNE'S/OTHERS
<b>MONDAY 4 Sep</b>	7pm Pro-Life Rosary	9.00am Liturgy	
<b>TUESDAY 5 Sep</b>	12.05pm Mass	10.00am Mass 4.00pm Legion of Mary 5.15pm MOWAC	11.30am St Annes Mass 10.30am Jane Winstone
<b>WED 6 Sep</b>	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am Prayers to St Joseph	9.30am Waverley Mass
<b>THURSDAY 7 Sep</b>	12.05 pm Mass Exposition follows Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am Exposition/Craft	9.15am Nazareth Mass
<b>FRIDAY 8 Sep</b>	9am-12pm Exposition 11.00am Reconciliation 11.45am Benediction	9.00am Liturgy	10.45am Liturgy
<b>SATURDAY 9 Sep</b>		5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass

## ROSTERS:

The roster for October- December for Holy Family is being collated. If you will not be available for any ministries in this period or if you would like to become involved in any ministry at Holy Family on a Saturday night please contact Pat on 02040325086 or before or after Masses.

If you would like to be involved with any ministries at St Mary's on Sunday morning or Sunday night please see Jo at the office or phone 3453872.

## INDIAN MASS:

The Mass in the Syro Malabar Rite for next month will be held at Holy Family Church on Sunday 3 September at 5.30pm. The Rosary will be recited at 5pm. All welcome.

## AN INVITATION:

This Sunday Sept 3rd we honour Our Heavenly Father on Father's Day with Litany- Rosary- Chaplet of Mercy- Benediction and Hymns. See you at St. Mary's on Sunday between 2.30 and 3.30pm.

*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:** Rose Ogden (24/8)

## CONDOLENCES: ANNIVERSARIES:

Dora Mary Croucher (30/9), Patricia Sheahon (12/9), Michele Gray (9/9), Jean Seconi (5/9), Liza Mancer (15/9), Anne Cross (26/9), Haimona Rzoska (29/9), Stuart Tasker (1/9), Colin Tasker (11/9), Johanna Smith (30/08); Sr. Mary Eugene (01/09); Gordon Smith

## MASS OFFERINGS:

Ron Haddock (Greymouth), Sr Mary Eugene (1/9), Deceased members Gallen family; Deceased members O'Kane, Doherty & Culver families.

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**Readings for this week:** Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Today's gospel, taken together with the previous week shows how we can struggle as Christians to focus on Christ.

Peter is inspired one minute: "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah!

For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven" (Mtt 16: 17) and the next, a mere six verses later, he is trapped by worldly considerations: " 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' " (Mtt 16: 23)

This tells us of the need we have to maintain vigilance against worldly temptations especially those that seek to deny the humanity of Christ or rebel at the thought of the Cross.

Jesus teaches Peter and us the hard lesson "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me" (Mtt 16: 24)

In what ways can I say that in the past week have I denied myself?

Have I accepted the cross in my life?

Have I been a stumbling block to Christ through my judgementalism, narrowness of vision and reluctance to carry the cross of compassion and reconciliation?

Fr Marcus

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

**Readings for next week:** Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20

The faith offered us in the Scriptures can never be lived in isolation from other people. It only makes sense when it's experienced in the midst of a community because everything Jesus does is done in the context of sharing with others. Paul reflects on this in next week's second reading when he says, "*Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another . . .*" Biblical faith only comes alive when we share our love with others. Yet, as we know, there's no one single action that can show love to everyone. Our acts of love differ because the needs of those around us differ. Ezekiel, the prophet of next week's first reading, showed love by accepting his responsibility, as a prophet, to let the community know what God wanted them to do. In 6th century BCE Israel, the Israelites looked to the community's prophets to point out God's will to them so that they could safely follow it.

They believed that any prophet who didn't follow through on that ministry would suffer the same punishment as anyone who refused to listen to God.

Because the first followers of Jesus were convinced that they shared in his prophetic ministry, Matthew's Jesus stresses their responsibility to challenge others in the community when they fall down on showing love to those around them. But perhaps the most important part of next week's gospel comes in the lines which begin, "*Truly I tell you...*" and end "*For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them.*" Therein is a reminder that Jesus' presence and power are at work in the whole community. Therein, too, is a reminder that the whole community, as Pope Francis says, "is called to show concern for the building of a better world."

JB Kendall rsj

## CHURCHES

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**Kevin Foley**  
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## FAITHSHARING GROUPS

### WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING

The next meeting will be held Wednesday 10am at Jessie Coleman, 22 Mitchell Street Phone 343 8031 All are welcome.

### 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

### EXPLORING FAITH GROUPS

EVENING: Monday 7.30pm - 9.00pm Holy Family Meeting Room  
MORNING: Tuesday 11.00am - 12.15pm St Mary's Community Room

### The topic will be "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.

## SOCIAL GROUPS

### 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

### HOLY FAMILY CRAFT GROUP

Meet weekly on Thursdays at 9.30am. For further information phone Shirley on 344 6365

### ST MARYS CRAFT GROUP

Meet every second Sunday of the month in St Marys Church foyer 2-4. Contact Marianne 3450281 or Richelle 3452652.

### LADIES GUILD GROUPS

**St. Anne's**  
Meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Ring Kay Wilkinson Ph. 343 3367

### MAINLY MUSIC

Contact Anne 3446569  
Facebook: Mainly music-st annes

### FOCOLARE

Monthly meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of month at 1.30 at Anne's Place, 58 Bedford Ave, Ph: 3454709

All Welcome

### MARAE TIME

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



### St Marys Craft Group

We had three people drop in and chat but none had intended to come to do craft with us! Richelle knitted and I painted rocks which I'll hide in our foyer for next Sunday. Richelle and I are keen to make it a monthly Sunday afternoon (second Sunday of each month from 2-4 pm) event. 10 th Sept will be the next time!  
All welcome, just bring a handicraft to do or you can just sit and chat with others over a cup of tea.  
Contact Marianne 3450281 or Richelle 3452652.

### Funding

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](mailto: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.



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### Tending the Soul as we Journey

Monday 11 September, 10am – 3pm  
Koha with Rita Cahill rsj

### Waiata, Kōrero & Karakia

Join us as we celebrate **Maori Language Week 2017**.

Wednesday 13 September, 10am – 12pm  
with Kura & Kahu Simon

### Liturgy – Pop Music & Spirituality

Sunday 17 September, 4 – 5pm

### Tui Motu Group

Tui Motu, an Independent Catholic Magazine, will challenge us to look with fresh eyes, with gospel eyes, at current social, ecological and spiritual values. Come along and contribute to the **discussion-inter-church and inter-faith dialogue** is welcomed.

Wednesday 20 September, 4.30 – 6pm,  
with Sr Rita Cahill rsj

To register please call Pam on 3455047 ext 3

or email [pam.hopper@sosj.org.au](mailto:pam.hopper@sosj.org.au)

### Holy Cross Seminary

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### Cullinane College

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It was lovely last week to meet Sr Charo, a Josephite sister from Peru. She is the Principal of a school of about 680 students ranging from pre-school to secondary. Her passion for her work shone out and she was very impressed with the depth of questions our students asked. Next week we welcome back our principal, Kevin Shore, who has been on sabbatical. Two Year 12 students will be attending the final Marist Neighbours programme for the year. It is also Winter Tournament week and we have a couple of teams participating. The Girls A Netball team is competing in New Plymouth, while the Senior Boys Basketball team will be competing in Tauranga. We wish them every success. Finally we will be having a Liturgy of the Word with Communion prepared by Yr 13HD in chapel on Friday at 10:45. We welcome any parishioners who would like to join us.

### First Communion Service

Sunday 10th September 9.30am at St Marys. Please keep these children in your thoughts and prayers:

Noah Elms, Ella Sullivan, Georgia Beswarick, Sienna Beswarick, Jaimie Connelly, Gina Wilson, Mollie King, Sophie King, Jay Takarangi, Lincoln Clutterbuck, Joshua Jago, Irene Jiss, Raki Arachchige, Daniel O'Neill, Isla Ericsson, Maks Reitsma, Darius Mow, Flynn Peters, Hamish Cranstone, Samuel Cranstone, Sophie Cranstone, Regan Carver, Isla Carver, Amy Parker, Owen Parker, Dinishiya Keeth, Savannah Cherrington  
Please bring a plate.



### Social Justice Week: 10th – 16th September 2017 Weaving bonds of belonging: Knowing our neighbours

*"I wish to insist that love always proves more powerful. Many people... are able to weave bonds of belonging and togetherness which convert overcrowding into an experience of community in which the walls of the ego are torn down and the barriers of selfishness overcome."* – Pope Francis

Each year in September, the New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference promotes Social Justice Week. During this week we apply Catholic social teaching to one particular issue of social justice in New Zealand. This year the theme for parishes is *Weaving bonds of belonging: Knowing our neighbours*. Pope Francis highlights that many of the social issues we face today reflect a decline in social connectedness. This Social Justice Week, we invite everyone to take up the challenge to creatively reach out and weave deeper bonds of belonging in our whānau, our parish, and our wider community.

The wellbeing of all New Zealanders is of concern to everyone. Mental health services and facilities are a telling measure of a society's attitude to its vulnerable. Years of inadequate funding are resulting in much stress and angst in families, and our suicide rates bring shame upon us as a nation. We advocate a thorough review and strengthening of the mental health sector as part of an integrated health system.

(New Zealand Bishops' Conference)



## OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

### WHAT'S UP?

### ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

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### ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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