

MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY

SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

St. Anne's Tues 11.30am, Sat 9.30	Miha Maori Sun. 1 Kaiwhaiki 11.00am	Patea Sun 1 & 3 9.30am	Waverley Sun 2 & 4 9.30am	St Annes Sat. 9.00—9.20am
St Mary's 9.30am & 6.00pm	Sun. 3 St Mary's 9.30am	Wed 2 & 9.30am	Wed 1 & 3 9.30am	St Mary's Fri 11.00—11.40am
Holy Family Sat. Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun. 4 Jerusalem/Ranana 10.00am (Hiruharama)		Holy Family Sat. 5.00-5.20pm	

WHANGANUI PARISH BULLETIN 19 NOVEMBER 2017 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Readings for this week: Prov 31:10-13, I Thess 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30

There are two ways we can react to the first reading: the first, as the pattern of the worthy wife, the second, to understand the worthy wife as an allegory of wisdom, as some biblical scholars suggest.

Of the first, I wonder how many among us would think the outline as out-dated and so irrelevant. I thought it might be interesting try an exercise of imagination.

What would you come up with were you to try and write as did the author of wisdom - but from our culture and time in history?

Another interesting exercise would be to write of the worthy husband, again from our culture and times?

Once written: are we able to live up to our own expectations?

If we think of the worthy wife as Lady Wisdom: In biblical times and culture (sometime after 200 BC) women are the ones expected to engage in planned, calculated activities such as those in today's reading.

So we are secure knowing that Lady Wisdom plans for our well-being in all circumstances.

Father John

CHRIST THE KING

Next weeks readings: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; I Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

Next week the Scripture readings present us with three different images of God: a shepherd, a new Adam, and a king.

It's Matthew's gospel reading that puts in front of us the Jewish biblical image of a king as one who cares for the downtrodden in society – hardly how we view royalty, is it?

Scriptural historians remind us that the kings appointed by God for Israel were quite different from the kings reigning in the surrounding countries.

Those kings saw themselves as there to protect the rights of what we would call the aristocracy or upper classes. But Israel's kings were appointed to defend those who could not defend themselves. Widows, orphans and resident foreigners had access to the king at all times of the day and night because, given the customs of the time, they had no one except the king of Israel to protect their rights.

That's why, in the gospel, Matthew's Jesus takes on royal status – “*he will sit on the throne of his glory then the king will say to those on his right hand.....*” and identifies our treatment of the poor and hungry, the sick, the imprisoned and foreigners with our treatment of himself – “*just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.*”

”Maybe in our times, Jesus, as King, would be referring to our treatment of refugees, victims of abuse, and the homeless - among others – when he says, “*You did it to me.*”

Perhaps celebrating the Feast of Christ the King is less about majesty and triumph and more about mercy, compassion and justice.

JB Kendall rsj

	ST MARY'S	HOLY FAMILY	ST ANNE'S/OTHERS
MONDAY 20 Nov	7pm Pro-Life Rosary	9.00am Liturgy 7.30pm Faith Exploration	
TUESDAY 21 Nov	12.05pm Mass	10.00am Mass 4.00pm Legion of Mary 6.30pm MOWAC Dinner	10.30am Jane Winstone Mass 11.30am St Annes Mass
WED NESDAY 22	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	9.30am Patea Mass
THURSDAY 23 Nov	12.05 pm Mass Exposition follows Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am Exposition/Craft	9.15am Nazareth Mass
FRIDAY 24 Nov	9am-12pm Exposition 11.00am Reconciliation 11.45am Benediction	9.00am Mass	10.45am Cullinane
SATURDAY 25 Nov		5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass

Columban 2018 Calendars for sale. \$12.00 each. See Jo in the office.

SVDP Christmas Cards are also available at the office \$2.50 a pack.

Sunday Missals: For those of you who ordered a Sunday missal– they have arrived and are at the office for collection \$15.00 each.

Fr John O'Connor has for many years gifted the New Zealand Church with his website Food for Faith. He is offering a wonderful gift to us all this Advent, like an Advent Calendar it will have an offering every day, leading and preparing us for Christmas. You can have it arrive every day by email by signing up at his site, or you could visit his site each day: <http://foodforfaith.org.nz/>

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:

Celso Penaflor (Philippines); Norah Morrissey (Ireland), Margaret O'Connell, Judith Wakeling, Darrain Lumsden (Tauranga), Pat Smith, Fr Patrick Joseph Cumiskey

CONDOLENCES: ANNIVERSARIES:

Margaret Harriman (25/11), Ronald McDonald (15/11), Rod Stein (30/10), Blair Gleeson (7/11), Barry Bourke (02/11), Verv Ennis (08/11)

MASS OFFERINGS:

Lecrivan & Leddy Families; Davis & Adams families & friends; Tasker & Rothery families; Manson, Dodd, Pinkerton & Town families; Hoskin & Bristol families & friends; Alex Leone, La Pouple, Sheehy, Hodge, Jarret Families; Boland, Benton, Tuohy, Bryan, Bourke, Morrissey, Ryan, Young families; Patrick, Faith & Noeline Haddock; Deceased members of Boyle and Stein Families, Kevin Goodgame (30/6), Fr Eric Urlech, Summerhays, Flynn and Ericsson families, Margaret O'Connell, Judith Wakeling, Pat Smith, Terence McCashin (31/10), Val Nugent birthday (6/11), Knuth & Harris families; Family & friends of Sophie Crawford, Pat Smith, Souls of Anne Josephine Quilter, Patricia Jane Hocquard, Christopher Paul Quilter, Potenciana S.Reyes, Alan R, Wilson and family, Relatives & friends Daws family; Deceased members Shore & Hopkinson families

GENERAL BUSINESS

MASS OFFERINGS

CHURCHES

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Chairperson of Liturgy
345 0542

FAITHSHARING GROUPS

WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING

The next meeting will be held Wednesday 10am at Margaret Haddock, 7 Giligan Close Phone 345 2805 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 10.30am - 12.15pm

St Mary's Community Room

The topic will be

"Moral Choices"

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.

SOCIAL GROUPS

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Holy Family Conference meet on the 2nd & 4th Mondays 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 Marianne Vine 3450281

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 4th Sunday of month at 1.30 at Anne's Place, 58 Bedford Ave, Ph: 3454709 All Welcome



Advent Reflection

Two short sessions Wed 6th Dec 7.30-9.30pm

Sun 10th Dec 1.30-3pm @ St Annes Church Raine Street

The two sessions are complimentary but each will stand alone, presented by members of the retreat team.

Nga Huarahi O Wairua Tapu (Pathways of the Holy Spirit)

For further information ph: 3438031

The Annual Sick and Retired Priests Special Collection Sunday 3 December 2017

On behalf of the Bishop, the Clergy Trust Fund provides for the well-being and care of priests in the Diocese. This includes stipends, food, travel home for overseas priests, retreats, and all costs relating to healthcare. The Clergy Trust Fund is struggling to meet growing medical costs. Hence, your giving to this special collection is most appreciated especially by our elderly priests who then benefit from your generosity. Your support is a great way of showing your gratitude to your priests.

Many thanks and blessings to all who contribute to this special collection. Every contribution helps.

Mons Brian Walsh, Vicar General



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Liturgy

Sunday 19 November, 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, Haere Mai. All Welcome.



Save the Children

Are holding the last Open Day for 2017 on Friday 24th November at 25 Gilligan Close (off Purnell St) from 10am-3pm. This will be your last change to buy reasonably priced items for the whole family.

All welcome. Look for our flag. For more details ring Sue on 345 221.

Holy Family Choir Rehearsals

Rehearsals for Choir practices for Christmas at Holy Family 7pm on Wednesdays beginning 22nd November. For information contact Jonathon Greenwell at Cleveland's, 063455522

All welcome.

The Lyric Singers

Presents "Sing for joy" at St Marys Church, Guyton Street on Saturday 25th November at 2pm. Guest artists will be Elin Tomos (Welch Mezzo Soprano) and Airini Beautrais (Poet).

The chosen charity is "Singing for your brain" supporting the programme for those with disabilities.



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

This week sees a number of our Year 10 students join with students from other Marist schools throughout New Zealand to participate in the Awa run. Students will meet at Cullinane on Monday for a welcoming powhiri before making their way to Ohakune where they will stay overnight. On Tuesday morning they will travel to Raetihi where the run will commence. The students will run in teams back to Cullinane, arriving around lunchtime on Thursday. Other Cullinane students will be part of the support crew, helping set up and clean up the marae and with meals. The money raised from the run will go to the Marist Education Trust to help provide secondary education for children from Minginui.

External exams are in full swing for our seniors and they seem to be going well. Other students who are participating in the extension programme are progressing well with many completing their NCEA programmes.

We will have Mass on Friday, prepared by 10KO. This will again be held in Room 19 (next to the chapel). School will finish early at 12:40 on Friday as those shortlisted for the Principal's job will be making a presentation to staff. Please keep the College in your prayers as we go through the process of selecting the right person to move us forward into the future.



ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

Principal: Jacqui Luxton

DRS: Cath Daignault

30 London St. Wanganui Ph:343 1227

Email: school@stmarys.ac.nz

What a busy week ahead. On Monday our PTA are meeting at 5.30pm.

This is a small, but amazing group of parents who are focused on organising events and fundraising for our kids.

Tuesday is the Combined School Athletics competition.

We have a number of 9 to 11 year olds competing.

Wednesday we have the JLC going to Bushy Park and our Road Patrollers having their movie day out as a thank you from the NZ Police for all their hard work.

Assembly this week is being run by Room 4.

On Friday Mr Scudder, Mrs Hoffman and Mrs Loveridge are graduating as Fully Registered Teachers.

We are very proud of these teachers who have worked hard and earned their stripes over the last 2 years since completing study.

We wish our fellow Catholic students from Cullinane, a safe and rewarding experience as they participate in the Awa run charity event, running from Raetihi to Whanganui.

This event is involving multiple schools in the Marist network.

All money raised goes to less fortunate students in New Zealand.



OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

WHAT'S UP?

ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Karl Zimmerman

DRS: Jo Gichard.

Raine St. Wanganui East Ph: 343 8389

Email: office@stannes.school



ST. Marcellin School

Principal: Maia Williams Acting DRS: Kory Wilson

Totara St. Wanganui. Ph: 349 0023

Email: stmarcellin@welearn.school.nz Brothers and sisters in Christ, nī hao.

Thank you to our school and parish community for coming out on a beautiful sunny Wednesday to cheer and support students for athletics day.

Congratulations to all the place getters, and a special mention to the 'teachers but more parents' relay team for winning our relay race.

This year, St Marcellin school is sending an athletics team of 12 students to the Whanganui Inter-schools athletics day, on Tuesday 21 Nov, at Cooks Garden.

A full list of athletic results will be posted to our facebook page and website, in due course.

On Wednesday 22 Nov, is our annual celebration of learning event at Collegiate College auditorium, 6pm start.

The Lord be with you, Maia Williams.



JOB VACANCIES

The Diocese of Palmerston North seeks people with passion and commitment to work with the Bishop, the Diocesan Young Catholics team, other diocesan staff, local faith community leaders, and young people as we work to build ministry to with, by and for young people in the Diocese.

AVAILABLE ROLES:

Diocesan Young Catholics Office (based in Palmerston North, responsible for the whole diocese):

- Diocesan Young Catholics Team Leader, Full-time
- Diocesan Youth Minister, Part-time (20 hours)
- Diocesan Young Adult and Young Families Minister, Part-time (20 hours)

In the regions:

- Parish Youth Minister, Palmerston North, Part-time (20 hours)
- Parish Youth Minister, New Plymouth, Full-time

The Diocese is open to discussions about flexibility with regards to hours and the makeup of the job descriptions for all roles, including the possibility of job-sharing and or combining roles. Come and see!

To apply (by Friday, 8 December 2017), ask some questions, and/or request an Information Pack contact:

Kathleen Field on kfield@pndiocese.org.nz 06 350 3824 / 021 509 436, or David Mullin on dmullin@pndiocese.org.nz 06 213 9264 / 021 707 266



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