

MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY

| SUNDAY MASS TIMES: | Miha Maori | Patea | Waverley | RECONCILIATION: |
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| St. Anne's Tues 11.30am, Sat 9.30 | Sun. 1 Kaiwhaiki 11.00am | Sun 1 & 3 9.30am | 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 |

| | ST MARY'S | HOLY FAMILY | ST ANNE'S/OTHERS |
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| MONDAY 5 Feb | NO MASSES OFFICE CLKOSD | 9am Liturgy 7.30pm Faith Exploration | |
| TUESDAY 6 Feb Waitangi Day | NO MASSES OFFICE CLOSED | 10.00am Mass- Waitangi Day 4.00pm Legion of Mary | 10.30am Jane Winstone 12.05pm Mass |
| WED NESDAY 7 Feb | NO MASSES | 9.00am Mass | 12.05pm Mass |
| THURSDAY 8 Feb | NO MASSES | 9.00am Mass 9.30am Exposition | 9.15am Nazreth 12.05pm Mass |
| FRIDAY 9 Feb | NO MASSES | 9.00am Mass | 12.05pm Mass |
| SATURDAY 10 Feb | NO MASSES | 5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass | 9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass |

Ash Wednesday Masses

Wednesday 14th February
10am at Holy Family, 12.05pm St Annes and 6pm at St Annes Church.

Parish Focus Meeting

The minutes from the Parish Focus Meeting are available to view on our webpage under newsletter/minutes. These will be passed onto our Leadership Team for consideration.

Holy Hour— This 1st Sunday of the month devotion goes back almost 40 years. While St Marys is closed it will be held at Holy Family Chapel from 2.30-3.30pm. The rosary chaplet of Mercy and Benediction hymns. "Why not spend a precious hour with the Blessed Sacrament?"

Pro-Life rosary— Mondays 7pm-7.30pm. This will be held at Holy Family Chapel while St Marys is closed. We credit this rosary which starte 16 July 1990 to having kept Wanganui "Abortion free". We are down to 6 members when once we had over 20 people coming.

World day of Prayer

This annual event hosted by the Combined Churches of Whanganui will be held at Central Baptist Church on Wicksteed St on Friday 2 March at 7pm. This year there will only be the one service. The theme is "All God's Creation is very good". The service suggestions have been prepared by the people of Suriname.

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Leanne Palamountain, Mike Davies, Cecelia Bullo't, Patricia Lawrence, Marie Shackleton, Irene MacDonald, Ray Murdoch, William (Barry) Wilkinson

CONDOLENCES: ANNIVERSARIES: Ellen Connors (19/01), Stanley Connors (25/01), Alex Leone (11/2), Craig Shore (15/01), Doug Newick (18/01)

MASS OFFERINGS: Mary Bradley (26/12), Souls of Sr Adrienne Whitehead and Ted Walsh, Pat Smith, John Fahey (18/12), Craig Shore (15/1), Doug Newick (18/1), Catherine Marsh, Edward Marsh, James Marsh (8/1), Brian Trillo (30/1), Ellen Connors (19/01), Stanley Connors (25/01), Alex Leone (11/2), Bill Butler, Ray Murdoch, Warren Blain, Garth Bason, Fr Corcoran

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Readings for this week: Job 7:1-4, 6-7; I Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

Many of the older among us will remember the prelude to Lent in the Missal before the IInd Vatican Council. We celebrated three Sundays of preparation for Lent called Septuagesima, Sexagesima and Quinquagesima Sundays. The priests wore violet vestments, the tabernacle veils were also changed to violet. The Gloria and the Alleluia (Gospel Acclamation) were omitted. So people began to prepare for Lent. There was plenty of time to ponder on the failures and sins that needed to overcome, time to work out the penances, fasting abstinence and almsgiving needed as medicinal remedies to replace these with virtue.

Last Sunday, the third before Lent, would have been Septuagesima Sunday. Perhaps we would do well to begin the pre-Lent searching in company with the Holy Spirit to see what our Lord is asking us to change and replace with virtuous action. After all we are reminded that displaced evil spirits can return to an "house" swept clean if nothing good has replaced it.

I pray you will enjoy Lent and find new delight in serving the Lord.

Father John.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; I Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Mark 1:40-45

Next week we're still listening to the first chapter of Mark's gospel. To realise the full import of the gospel reading, we need to understand that, in both Old Testament and New Testament times, no one was more feared than a leper – rather like the modern attitude to Aids victims when that was first recognised as a communicable disease. Leprosy made one a complete outcast from society. That's why only a priest could officially confirm that someone was afflicted with it or cured from it. The reading from Leviticus spells out exactly what it meant for that person. "A person who has the leprous disease shall.....cry out, 'Unclean, unclean' (meaning 'don't come near me, don't touch me') '..... and being unclean shall live alone outside the camp.'" Against that background, we can see how different Jesus' attitude was. Not only did he heal the leper before sending him to the priest to have the cure confirmed, but he broke the Levitical law and actually physically touched him as part of the cure – "Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him and said to him, ".....be made clean!"

Once more, Mark is giving his community an example of an evil to be stamped out. Nobody, he is telling them – and us - should be an outcast in society. Jesus reaches out to everyone without exception and, if we want to be true to Jesus, we must do the same. We're challenged to acknowledge that, sadly and unlike Jesus, society and, even the Church, has its outcasts, people it marginalises for various reasons. Pope Francis says, "Truly the Gospel of the marginalized is where our credibility is found and revealed!" He also says that mercy is the highest virtue in the hierarchy of Christian truths.

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FAITHSHARING GROUPS

WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 10am at Francis Hujis Unit 17, Broadview, 108 Moasstown Road. Phone 344 1121

FAITHSHARING

Rosary and Scripture Wed. 10.30am St Mary's Meeting Room. All welcome.

MOTHER'S COMBINED PARISHES PRAYER GROUP

Friday at 1pm 17 Lindsay Crescent. All ages welcome.

MEN'S FAITHSHARING

Fri. 7.00am. Contact Peter ph. 342 5812 for venue.

LEGION OF MARY

EXPLORING FAITH GROUPS EVENING: Monday 7.30pm - 9.00pm

Holy Family Meeting Room.

MORNING: Tuesday 10.30am - 12.15pm

St Mary's Community Room

We will be taking a break until 5th and 6th February

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 & 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

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.

Musicians, Singers, Cantors

We welcome you to join us in 2018. We always have room for you in our groups.

Please make yourself known to Jo at the Parish Office or talk to a group member.



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DVD Evening – Hidden Figures

The incredible untold story of the 3 brilliant African-American women who worked at NASA and helped with major space achievements.

Thursday 8 February, 6.30pm, Koha Supper provided.

Shrove Tuesday celebration with breakfast

Tuesday 13 February, 9.15 – 10.30am

How Films Impact Our Spirituality.

A series of five films spread over ten weeks which will explore how movies help us in our personal spiritual lives. This will explore (at an individual reflection level) what can be learned about oneself from watching movies and aid growth towards authenticity. The structure of the programme means it will be of most benefit if participants can be present at each session.

Session 1: Help in making choices. Film: Ida Tuesday 13 February, 7 – 9.30pm, Koha with Marie Skidmore rsj

To register please call Pam on 3455047 ext 3 or email pam.hopper@sosj.org.au

OFFICE CLOSED

The office will be closed Monday the 5th and Tuesday the 6th of February.

St Marys Church work has begun. There will be no access to inside the worship space until completion.

Please do not enter the Church Worship Space at anytime.

There is a worship space been set up in the meeting room at St Marys Church for those who would still like to come in and pray. The meeting room is situated by the hall.

Baptisms in our Parish

Congratulations to:

Keira Russell and her family. Keira was baptised at St Marys on Friday 26th January.

Milo Grammatilogiannis and his family. Milo was baptised at St Marys on Saturday 27th January.



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DRS: Jo Gichard.

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Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Jacqui and Mort Hiroti.

They were married on Saturday 27th January at St Marys Church



“Hibernian Catholic Benefit Society – St Patrick’s Branch 400 Fourth Quarterly Meeting: 4.00pm, Monday 19 February 2018 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”

Marian Mothers

The first meeting of the Marian Mothers for 2018 will be held on Thursday 8th February at Raewyn Hoskin's home, 95 Alma Road, commencing at 7.00pm. Note the earlier start time.

We will commence the meeting by sharing desserts.

The subject for discussion this month is “Our Lady of La Leche (the milk).”

Prayer - Raewyn Udy

Raffle - Lea Pelzers

Mothers of all ages are very welcome to attend. We especially welcome any new members.

For enquiries or transport please phone Raewyn, 344 6299.

OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE WHAT'S UP?

IN PREPARATION TO OUR LENTEN SEASON

We invite you to join us to the

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

~ Weekly Devotion ~

6 Consecutive Fridays

(16 & 23 February / 2, 9, 16 & 23 March 2018)

St. Anne's Church – 47 Raine St., Wanganui East

5:30 PM

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Please log your name to the Weekly Readers Form if you want to be a reader of the Station Prayer

Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Kapiti, Sunday 11th February. Start 2pm and all gather at the entrance to the statue on Tongoriro St and will slowly make our way up to the statue praying the Stations of the Cross, then at the top recite the Rosary.

Legion Of Mary

Lenten Seminars

Wednesdays 7pm held at Te Rau Oriwa Marae

21 Feb Catholic Faith and sex

28 Feb Pope Francis-what is he doing?

7 March Latin Mass, Vatican II Mass- what is the difference?

14 March Ordination of Women

21 March Salvation for the non-baptised

28 March The Easter mystery

SHARING
— OUR FAITH —