

MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY

WHANGANUI PARISH BULLETIN 6 MAY 2018 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



SSUNDAY MASS TIMES:

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

	ST MARY'S	HOLY FAMILY	ST ANNE'S/OTHERS
MONDAY 7 May	NO MASSES 7.00pm Pro Life Rosary	9.00am, Service 7.30pm Faith Exploration	
TUESDAY 8 May	NO MASS	10.00am Mass 4.00pm Legion of Mary	11.30am Mass for the Sick
WEDNESDAY 9 May	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	9.30am Waverley Mass
THURSDAY 10 May	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am Exposition 9.30am Craft	
FRIDAY 11 May	11.00am Reconciliation 12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	10.45am Cullinane Mass
SATURDAY 12 May	NO MASS	5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass

Readings for this week: Acts 10.25-26, 1 Jn.4.7-10 Jn 15.9-17

LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I LOVE YOU

United with Jesus in baptism, we keep his commandments to love in the same way he loves us. We must share with others his love for us.

How do we love?

To express the word "love," we use the numbers "143" meaning, "I love you." Pursuing this play with numbers, we can come up with three types of love.

First is 143-2. It means, "I love you... IF." It is the conditional kind, love with strings attached, love given in exchange of and expecting a return. We love a person hoping to get luxury, fame, glory, comfort, or material security.

Second is 143-7. This is "I love you... BECAUSE." It is love based on attraction or admiration, on likes and dislikes. A person is loved because of physical appearance or social status or material possessions. It is love out of gratitude.

Third is 143-9. It is "I love you... IN SPITE OF." This is love for who and what a person is. God loves us in spite of our mistakes, in spite of our sins, and in spite of our infidelity. God loves us for what we are and whoever we are. God's love is not selective or exclusive. God loves all, sinners and saints alike.

Fr Don Don

Feast of the Ascension

Next weeks readings: Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23; Mark 16:15-20

Scripture scholars tell us that we need to be careful not to take the story of Jesus' Ascension into heaven too literally. For one thing, trying to give heaven an exact location can be a problem, can't it? But if 'heaven' is about the final fullness, richness and completion of our relationship with a God who is everywhere as the Catechism of the Catholic Church explains, then that puts a different meaning on next Sunday's feast of the Ascension: Jesus of Nazareth is totally and forever reunited with God. The readings put it this way: "...he was lifted up and a **cloud** took him out of their sight." And "*The Lord Jesus.....was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God.*" In Scripture 'cloud' is one of the symbols used for God so we are being told that, after the Resurrection, God brought Jesus into the complete, eternal fullness of the relationship they share. Equally, "the right hand of God," is a recurring Scriptural image (166 times in all) denoting the closeness of the relationship shared with God. The outcome of this is spelled out very clearly in the reading from Acts: "*You will receive power when the Holy Spirit will come upon you and you will be my witnesses to the ends of the earth.*" Or as the gospel says: "*Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.*"

Jesus, who confined his ministry to the people of Israel, tells his disciples to continue his work all over the world. As disciples we can do what Jesus himself could not do and in the doing we, too, will be drawn into fullness of life with God and know the reality of heaven as being totally and forever united with God.

JB Kendall rsj

INTERNATIONAL MASS:

This year Pentecost falls on 20 May so we will be celebrating the International Mass at Holy Family Church at the Saturday Vigil on 19th May. If you or your family would like to be a part of this Mass to celebrate our diverse range of cultures in the Parish of Whanganui, whether it be to carry your national flag, or to proclaim a reading or Prayer of the Faithful please contact Pat 02040325086 or Srian Fonseka 347 7262. There will be tea and coffee after Mass so please bring a plate so we can enjoy a taste of international culinary delights.

Voice for Life AGM, Friday, 11th May at 7.15 pm. Christ Church Community Centre, Wicksteed Street
Rev. Dr. Jonathan Hartfield will define Euthanasia and discuss the implications of the **END OF LIFE CHOICE BILL.**

Members, Friends and Visitors most welcome. Further details, Joan, 343 3374

PRO LIFE ROSARY- will be said every Monday evening at 7.00pm.at St Marys (Our numbers are now down to five). **HOLY HOUR:** will continue at Holy Family from 2.30-3.30pm on Sunday 6th May. There will be Rosary - Chaplet of Mercy and Benediction Hymns. Why not spend a precious hour with the Blessed Sacrament?.

INDIAN MASS:

The next Mass in Indian will be held at Holy Family Church on Sunday 6 May. Rosary will be at 5.30pm with Mass at 6pm.

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: Derick Matthews, John Williams, Anna Scoullar-Jones (29/4), Tony Griffiths (29/4), Colleen Stanford (1/5), Phillip Hopkins (27/4)

CONDOLENCES: ANNIVERSARIES: Frances Jones (03/05); Patrick Haddock (07/05) Steven Rumford (9/5), Francis Respinger (10/5), Monica Connors (8/5), June Seconi (19/5), Ian Kerr (7/5), Elwyn Healy (20/5), Neil Crowley (27/04), Decease Priests and religious, Phil Hopkins

MASS OFFERINGS: Trevor Robin Blakemore, Carmela Cortez, 70th Birthday Intention; Knuth families; Sr. Chanel (speedy recovery)

GENERAL BUSINESS

MASS OFFERINGS

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FAITHSHARING GROUPS

WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING

There will be no meeting on the 9th May.
The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 16th May 10am at Frances Huijs—Unit 17, 108 Mosstown Rd Ph:344 1121
Any new ladies are most 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

EXPLORING FAITH GROUPS

EVENING: Monday 7.30pm - 9pm
Holy Family Meeting Room

MORNING: Tuesday 10.15am - 12.15pm
St Mary's Meeting Room

The topic will be:

"The Aramaic form of the Lord's Prayer"

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

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

Save the Children are holding an Open Day on Thursday 10th May at 25 Gilligan Close (off Purnell St by the race course) from 10am-3pm. We sell new items with nothing over \$25. Come and see our range of hankies and winter garments.

Look for our flag.

Historical chalices used today

As part of the cleaning up effort at St Mary's parishioners polished a number of chalices used today on the altar for Mass. These are a visual tribute to the generosity and faith of our forbears who brought the faith to this land and have handed it on to us. The inscriptions tell us of the following: Rev. Maillard 1890 (gold chalice); Dean Grogan 1890; Maisie Burr 1988 "To the Marist fathers who brought faith to the Maori people." The principal chalice belongs to Fr Marcus and was purchased in Italy on his last visit there.

Marian Mothers

This year marks 30 years since the Marian Mothers group commenced in the Holy Family Parish.

To mark this special occasion we are having a retreat weekend 18 - 20 May. Rather than have our usual monthly meeting we will hold the meeting for May sometime during that weekend.

Therefore there will NOT be a meeting on the second Thursday of the month as is usual.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Those who dance are considered insane by those who cannot hear the music.

Te Punanga o Hōhepa
Josephite Retreat Centre

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

DVD Evening – Noble

A fearless Irish woman leaves the slums of Ireland and goes to Vietnam and brings about change for many people.

Thursday 10 May, 6.30pm, Koha supper provided

World Fair Trade – High Tea & Collection

Friday 11 May, 2.30 – 3.30pm

Stampin' Up – Celebrating You (incorporating Mothers & Daughters)
An opportunity to make your own creative cards.

Saturday 12 May, 10am – 12.30pm \$10 with Julia Martin

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

PLEASE COLLECT

Planned giving envelopes are now ready for collection.

They are ready for collection at the St Annes Church foyer.
You can claim a 33.3% tax credit on all donations/planned giving that you have given.

Tax Receipts are now ready.

They can be collected at St Annes Church.

Thank you for your ongoing and generous support.



Baptisms in our Parish

Congratulations to Scarlett Rhodes and her family. Scarlett was baptised at St Annes on Saturday 5th of May.



OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

WHAT'S UP?

Cullinane College

Principal: Justin Harper

DRS: Helen Dougherty

15 Peat St., Wanganui

Ph: (06) 349 0105

Email:

office@cullinane.school.nz

www.cullinanecollege.school.nz

We had a wonderful powhiri on Monday to welcome our new Principal, Justin Harper. Thanks to those parishioners who joined us for the celebration.

Many of our winter sporting codes begin next weekend. We wish all our teams well. Please feel free to support them on the sidelines.

On Wednesday our Year 12 students will be participating in the 'Loves Me Not' Programme presented by the police, our House Deans and other outside agencies. On Thursday our debate team will travel to Palmerston North to compete against Palmerston North Girls High. We wish them well.

On Friday a team of eighteen students and five staff will travel to Wellington to compete in this year's O'Shea Shield which is being hosted by St Catherine's College. Students have been working hard to prepare and we hope they enjoy the experience.

Finally, our class Masses will continue on Friday with this week's Mass being prepared by 10EG.

We welcome any parishioners who would like to join us.



ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

Principal: Jacqui Luxton

DRS: Cath Daignault

30 London St. Wanganui

Ph:343 1227

Email:school@stmarys.ac.nz

We've had a great start to Term 2.

On Wednesday we had a lovely Powhiri welcoming our new students, as well as our new Year 5 & 6 teacher, Mrs Nicola Harper.

This term our students are focusing on the Gospel Value of Inclusion. A number of our students competed in the Wanganui Ballroom Dancing competition this weekend at the memorial hall, we are blessed to have such talented children in our school.

Next week room 8,10 and 11 are starting 4 weeks of Badminton lessons which are always popular sessions with our students.

This term we are going to continue having classes attending Friday mass at St. Joseph's Chapel with Cullinane College.



ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Karl Zimmerman

DRS: Jo Gichard.

Raine St. Wanganui East

Ph: 343 8389

Email: office@stannes.school

Welcome back to Term 2
Over the holidays a number of children represented our school at the Whanganui ANZAC parade. 2018 marks 110 years since the end of World War 1 and Armistice day (11th November) will mark this even.

Thank you to the families that joined us and we all pray that for the service men and woman past and present who have served our country. We also pray that we all work to bring peace to our families, communities and world.

On Monday our student leaders with the leaders from our other catholic primary schools joined in the powhiri to welcome Justin Harper as the new Principal at Cullinane college. We all look forward to working with Justin for catholic education in Whanganui.

Please keep Sunday 10th June free for our term two mass. this will be held at St Anne's Church at 9.30am



ST. Marcellin School

Principal: Maia Williams

Acting DRS: Maia Williams

Totara St. Wanganui.

Ph: 349 0023

Email:



Come and join us for a night of fun and free pizza!

Friday 11th May @ St Mary's Church.

Anyone in Year 7-10 welcome.

Led by Marianne Lynch & Te Mana Kaua (Y12 students)
Time 6.30 – 8pm

Be there or be bored!



CENTENARY OF SACRED HEART CHAPEL AT JANE WINSTONE.

There is to be a public ceremony to honour this sacred space, and those who have cared for it on Tuesday, 22 May at 2 pm in the Chapel.

When Rymans purchased Sacred Heart they agreed to maintain the Chapel and they have kept that "handshake promise" magnificently. Currently the Stations of the Cross are being expertly upgraded by Chris Gullery, and Rymans have ensured the Chapel has been earthquake proofed.

You are invited to this occasion but will need to RSVP to Rymans by 18th May. Phone: 3456783. Marie Skidmore rsj

Rest Homes

The new roster for Masses at rest homes will begin from the start of June. This is because Fr John is away for the month of May and we need to ensure that everything is organised with the various rest homes.

First Reconciliation programme will run from 20th May until 17th June.

We start our first lesson on 20th May at St Annes Church at 4.30pm.(Before 5.30pm Mass)

Reminder:

St Annes Sunday Mass time has changed to **5.30pm** starting the 6th May

SHARING
= OUR FAITH =