

MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY



WHANGANUI PARISH BULLETIN 30 SEPTEMBER 2018 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

(School Holidays 28 Sep-15 Oct)

	ST MARY'S	HOLY FAMILY	ST ANNE'S/OTHERS
MONDAY 1 Oct	NO MASSES 7.00pm Pro Life Rosary	9.00am Liturgy 7.30pm Faith Exploration	
TUESDAY 2 Oct	No Mass	10.00am Mass 4.00pm Legion of Mary 5.15pm MOWAC	10.30am Jane Winstone Mass
WEDNESDAY 3 Oct	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am St Josephs Prayers	9.30am Patea Mass
THURSDAY 4 Oct	12.05pm Mass Exposition follows Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am Exposition 9.30am Craft	
FRIDAY 5 Oct	9-12pm Exposition 11.00am Reconciliation 11.45am Benediction 12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	
SATURDAY 6 Oct	NO MASS	5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass

Readings for this week: Num 11:25-29 Jas 5:1-6 Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

The First Reading and Gospel for today speak of a desire for exclusivity and control on the part of disciples. Joshua says to Moses: "My lord Moses, stop them!" (Num 11: 28) and the John tells Jesus: "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." (Mk 9: 38)

On both occasions the response is to allow or the grace of God to be given free rein. The Church is a sign and sacrament of salvation rather than some kind of spiritual Fort Knox. We have the duty of safeguarding the deposit of faith so that all people can benefit from it knowing that what we believe and teach is the authentic Gospel message.

It remains that we are always called to cooperate with grace and not control it or set limits to its effects.

As Catholics we often need to turn the other cheek or forgive past slights or wrongs so that we bring others closer to Christ even when they have previously rejected the Church and her teachings. Heaven forbid that we find ourselves in the same position as the elder brother in the parable of the prodigal Son!

After all: "You received without payment; give without payment." (Mtt 10: 8)

Fr Marcus

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Next weeks readings: Genesis 2:18-24 Hebrews 2:9-11 Mark 10:2-18

At the beginning of next week's Gospel reading you'll find the Pharisees asking Jesus about divorce – "*Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?*" Jesus doesn't give a direct 'yes or 'no'. Instead he talks to them about his vision for marriage as a communion of faithful love.

The first reading gives the grounding for that vision in God's creation of man and woman as equal, 'indispensible partners' interacting with a mutuality and equality that finds its fullest expression in marriage – "*God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife and the two shall become one flesh*".

However, the Book of Deuteronomy sets out a form of divorce that was permissible according to Jewish Law - if a man found something objectionable in his wife he could present her with a writ of divorce and banish her from his home. Incidentally, there was no provision in Jewish law for a woman to divorce her husband. It was a law which left a woman completely vulnerable to the whims of her husband.

We know from the gospels that Jesus did not condemn those who fell short of his vision for human relationships including marriage. All of us, regardless of whether we're married or single, are called to love one another with the same faithful, unflinching love that God has for us but we're well aware of the challenge that can be because of what we find 'objectionable' in each other.

Perhaps in those moments of challenge we can draw strength from the last line of the second reading – "*Jesus is not ashamed to call them [and us] brothers and sisters*"

JB Kendall rsj

Columban Calendars for 2019 are now for sale. at St Marys, Holy Family and St Annes. \$12.00 each.

INDIAN MASS: The next Mass in the Syro Malabar Rite will be held at Holy Family on Sunday 7 October at 6pm. They are combining with the October Rosary Group in the Chapel at 5.30pm for the Rosary.

Oberammergau Passion Play 2020

I made enquiries about going to this play recently and have ended up being a leader of a group of attendees. We need others to join those already signed up so if you are interested in joining us-please get in touch. The tour will be in June 2020 and includes parts of Northern Italy, Hungary and South Germany with possibilities of extended tours included. Brochures are available and a DVD. Please enquire at the office or monsbell@gmail.com or 0212576671. If you are interested please be in contact before mid October for discounts.
Monsignor David Bell

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:

Kaleb Brown (Wellington) Judith Knoche, John O'Neill

CONDOLENCES: ANNIVERSARIES:

Hato Lewis (1/9), James Refoy-Butler (2/9), Stuart Tasker (01/09), Colin Tasker (11/09), Gordon Smith (01/09), Sydney Smith (02/09), Tom Punch (15/9), Ellen Reed (8/9), Mike Broome (12/09), Cliff Cording (16/09), Sandy Henare, Dennis Mannex (16/09), Colleen Cavanagh (03/10), Patrick McGonigle (05/10), Paddy Cross (26/9), Len Williams (22/9), Ashley Wickema (26/9)

MASS OFFERINGS:

Alan R Wilson and family, Tony McVey (Health), Ivan Haddock (13/8), Deceased members of Walsh, Manson and Fitzjohn families, Mollie Griffin (23/9), Tony McVey (Health), Thanksgiving for Blessing Received, Knuth & Hunt families, John O'Neill, Tony McVey (Health), Paddy Cross, Summerhays Family, Flynn Family, Ericson Family, Deceased Sisters of Compassion

GENERAL BUSINESS

MASS OFFERINGS

St. Mary's 1 Campbell St, Ph. 345 3872 Office hours: 8.30am—3pm Jo Boulton Parish Secretary	Fr. Marcus Francis PP 021 02283349	Fr. Adonis Rancho (Fr. Don Don) 021 02735829	Father John Roberts
Holy Family 22 Tawhero St, ✉holyfamily@extra.co.nz	Norma O'Connor Hospital Chaplain 027 2334557	Jane O'Connell Convener of Care & Concern Team 348 9303	Kevin Foley Chairperson of Liturgy 345 0542
St. Anne's 47 Raine Street			

FAITHSHARING GROUPS

WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING

The next meeting will be recommencing on the 17th of October at 10am at Moya Ericsson, 17 Lindsay Crescent. Ph: 3452805
Any new ladies are most welcome

MOTHER'S COMBINED PARISHES PRAYER GROUP

Will resume 27th July. 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

EXPLORING FAITH GROUPS

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

MORNING: Tuesday 10.00am - 11.45am St Mary's Meeting Room

The topic will be:

"Clericalism in Liturgy-part 2"

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

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



ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

Our combined conference of Whanganui SVDP will be held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 5pm at Holy Family Church.

Those interested in joining us phone Marianne Vine 3450281 or Kevin Foley 3450542.

WHANGANUI EAST FRIENDSHIP MEAL.

A group of the Whanganui Catholic community have been providing a meal at the All Saints Church Hall, Moana St Wang. East on the 1st Thurs each month for several years and we need new co-ordinators and 4 or 5 helpers as several of us wish to retire, because of age!!

Please contact Kay Wilkinson ph. 3433367 or Madeline McCrea 3433691.

You are very welcome to come along and see how our group works, next meal is 4th October.

MARIAN MOTHERS THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

You are not wrong to be different.
You are not different if you are wrong.
Be content with your inner self.

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

Marriage Enrichment Weekend

How to build a healthy marriage that lasts a lifetime. Over a weekend, couples will be invited to discuss and reflect privately on their marriage relationship including the art of communication, the power of forgiveness, parents and in-laws, good sex and love in action.

Based on Christian principles, the course is designed for couples only, both married and de-facto, from both faith and non-faith backgrounds.

Friday 5 October 7 - 9pm, Saturday 6 October 9am - 5.30pm,
Sunday 7 October 9am - 3pm. \$25pp with Pam Hopper

Creating Mandalas

In this workshop we will make individual Mandalas. This can be a meditative time using pattern, colour and texture to let go past and future thoughts and dwell in the present.

Or it can be used to record what is happening in one's emotional life path as recommended by Jung. Input both ways will be considered.

Saturday 13 October, 10am - 2pm, \$20 With Trish Daws

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



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DRS: Helen Dougherty

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ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

Principal: Jacqui Luxton

DRS: Cath Daignault
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Email: school@stmarys.ac.nz



On the Sundays 7, 14 and 21 October a special course of catechesis will be run for teenagers who are yet to be baptised or receive other sacraments but wish to do so.

Often these young people have been to Catholic primary schools but for various reasons have never been initiated into the Catholic Church. This is an opportunity for them to make that move with the support of their parents, Cullinane College and this parish.

The catechesis involves the teenagers attending the 9.30am Mass and staying on for lessons from 11am-1pm lead by Fr Marcus.

If there are teenagers, known to parishioners, who would like to take advantage of this opportunity please contact the parish office or turn up to the first session on Sunday 7 October.

First Communion 2018

Thank you to everyone who gave up their time to make this a special day for all the children. Special thanks to Helen O'Leary for running the programme and Cath Daignault for making the amazing cake.



OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

WHAT'S UP?

ST. ANNE'S SCHOOL

Principal: Karl Zimmerman
DRS: Jo Gichard.

Raine St. Wanganui East
Ph: 343 8389

Email: office@stannes.school

Congratulations to all the children who received the sacrament of Eucharist last Sunday - it was a very special day.

Next term will start off very busy with our biannual Gala scheduled for Sunday 27th October.

Also next term our office will be relocated to St Anne's church foyer. Thank you to Fr Marcus and Mainly music for making this possible.

We do not have definite date for deconstruction of the admin/staff area but it will be sometime next term.

Most staff will also be involved in First Aid Training on Monday next week.

Parish Quiz Night

Thank you to all that attended the Quiz night last Friday. A fun night was had by all!

We made a total of \$911.00.

Thank you to all who helped organise the night and also to those who donated prizes.



ST. MARCELLIN SCHOOL

Principal: Maia Williams

Acting DRS: Maia Williams
Totara St. Wanganui.
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Kia Ora. It was wonderful to see children and their families at the School Mass. Our School Mass acknowledges what is good about St. Marcellin School. It was truly a Children's Mass, when we listen to students recite the prayers in their first language (namely English, Maori, Filipino, Indian, Laos, Samoan and Tongan), observe students altar serving, students reading the scriptures and singing and bringing forth the gifts to Fr. Marcus.

All were present to give thanks to the Lord. 33% of our total student roll attended the Mass. In Term 4 we need a huge improvement in attendance for what will be our final School Mass for the year.

On Thursday evening we held our Celebration of Learning- an evening of dance and drama that highlights the epitome of the children's learning in Term 3. The theme was "Globalisation- Hands across the Ocean".

It was held at Rutherford Junior High School Hall. Thanks to all who attended.

Many thanks to our priests, parishioners, families and friends who have supported and prayed for the school during what has been a very busy term. Thanks to all who helped plan for and organized the annual Catholic School's Cross Country which we hosted recently. We wish all a very well-deserved break and look forward to your continued support for the final term of the year.

