

MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY

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

WHANGANUI PARISH BULLETIN 28 OCTOBER 2018 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Readings for this week: Jer 31.7-9 Heb 5.1-6 Mk 10.46-52

A city boy taking a holiday in the province for the first time. He could not sleep because of mosquitoes. His grandmother told him to put off the lights so that they won't see him. After he put off the lights, the fire flies appeared. He ran to his grandmother and said "Grandma! The mosquitoes are back with their flashlights!"

Today's gospel reading, Jesus gave back the sense of sight to the blind man Bartimaeus. He once lived in darkness and needed to see the light. May the Lord remove the veils and the blind spots that prevent us from seeing the light.

Like Bartimaeus, have we ever in desperation cried out to God in prayer, "Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me!" No? Don't worry. Someday, we will.

Think of the toughest, wealthiest and most powerful people who think as if there were no God, and who live as if there were no need for God. Sooner or later they will call to God and beg for His mercy.

This world, so busy, cannot see that there are people by the roadside—the poor, those who do not have much, the unknown, and those who don't count. Let us not just pass them by. As Jesus stopped for Bartimaeus, let us also learn—and practice what we learn—that every person is worth stopping for. Amen...

Fr Don Don

	ST MARY'S	HOLY FAMILY	ST ANNE'S/OTHERS
MONDAY 29 Oct	NO MASSES 7.00pm Pro Life Rosary	9.00am Liturgy 7.30pm Faith Exploration	
TUESDAY 30 Oct	No Mass	10.00am Mass 4.00pm Legion of Mary	11.30am St Annes Mass
WEDNESDAY 31 Oct	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	9.30am Patea Mass
THURSDAY 1 Nov All Saints Day	12.05pm Mass Exposition follows Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am Exposition 9.30am Craft	
FRIDAY 2 Nov All Souls Day	9-12pm Exposition 11.00am Reconciliation 11.45am Benediction	9.00am NO MASS 7.00pm Remembrance Mass	10.00am
SATURDAY 3 Nov	NO MASS	5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass

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

HOLY SOULS: A reminder that the month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls. The names of those you wish to be especially remembered over this period can be written on the forms and placed in the marked boxes in the church foyers. If you wish to add a stipend for individual Masses and names to be placed in the newsletter please place it in an envelope with the name sheet and place it in the box.

REMEMBRANCE MASS: The Remembrance Mass for all those who have been buried from our churches over the last year will be held on Friday 2 November at Holy Family Church at 7pm. Families have been notified and we hope that as many parishioners as possible can join this celebration. Refreshments will follow the Mass.

ANOINTING MASS: There will be an Anointing Mass including residents of all our Rest Homes at Holy Family Church on Tuesday 13 November at 10am. followed by refreshments.

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:

Sr Barbara Cowan, Clarice O'Hara, Maurice Gallagher

CONDOLENCES: ANNIVERSARIES:

Mary Griffiths (11/10), Margaret O'Connell (29/10), Patrick Smith (31/10), Judith Wakeling (30/10), Ida Bourke (30/09), Colleen Cavanagh (03/10), Timothy Barry Bourke (04/10), Patrick McGonigle (05/10), Vera Dodd (24/10), John Reed (14/10), Flo Smith (10/10), Michael Sullivan (20/10), Megan Connors (14/09), Patricia Connors (10/09)

MASS OFFERINGS:

Nigel Watts (26/11), Deceased members of the Marsh Family, Paddy Cross (26/9), Mary O'Shea(14/10), A.J Jacob, A.F Joseph, Alemma Lukose, Jessy Jose, P. J Joseph, Mathew Varkey, Maya Mathew, Aleyamma Kurien, George Joseph, Bryan Koorey, Timothy Dorgan, Ken Edwards, Debbie Mahoney, Gabrielle Lavender (19/10), Souls of Deceased Sisters of Compassion, Eileen Manson, Ted Walsh, Sr Mary Lenoard (21/10) Holy Souls of Stuart Tasker, Patricia Tasker; Colin Tasker; Raymond & Joyce Rothery; Crowley & Casey families; Lecrivain & Leddy families, Shirley, Edna & Bill Davies; Colin, Ethel & Eddy Adams, Ken Anderson, Judy Gurney

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Next weeks readings: Deuteronomy 6:2-6; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 12:28b-34

Next week, Mark's Jesus gives one of the most important, if not the most important, of his teachings. With 613 laws to choose from, the Jews of Jesus time often talked about which one should be at the top of the list.

When the question was put to Jesus, his answer would have surprised none of his listeners who were very aware of what Moses had laid down in the first reading from Deuteronomy and which Jesus simply repeated: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might." However, he would have raised a few eyebrows by immediately adding the 19th law from the Book of Leviticus when he went on to say: "The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

In the first part of his statement, Jesus gathers up the traditional wisdom of Israel which was held inside a tiny case called a *mezuzah* and fixed to the doorpost of every Jewish house and to the door of every room inside. But right alongside this, Jesus places another scriptural passage and it is his combination of the two that has given Christianity its basic principle for a Godly life.

Jesus is insistent that, to give concrete reality to their love of God, anyone who claims to follow him must treat the people they meet in daily life with the same active love that he does. Furthermore, he applauds the assertion made by one of the Scribes that "this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." The final words of the gospel reading make it clear that, in Jesus' mind, liturgy is less important than active love.

JB Kendall rsj

GENERAL BUSINESS

MASS OFFERINGS

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027 2334557

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Convener of Care & Concern
Team 348 9303

Father John Roberts
Kevin Foley
Chairperson of Liturgy
345 0542

FAITHSHARING GROUPS

WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING

The next meeting will be Friday at 10am at Moya Ericsson, 17 Lindsay Crescent
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
Tuesdays @ 4pm. For more info contact Paul Daws,

EXPLORING FAITH GROUPS

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

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

We will continue with the topic of "Eucharist"

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.

344 4828



SOCIAL GROUPS

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.

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

WHANGANUI SACRED HEART OLD GIRLS AND PAST PUPILS OF SRS OF ST JOSEPH

A FINGER FOOD LUNCHEON will be held on Sunday 4th November from 12 noon at the Parish Centre, Miranda St, STRATFORD.

Please bring a small gift to exchange and some finger food.

This is our annual opportunity to catch up with other Old Girls.

This Christmas function is earlier than usual because of the busyness of people's lives.

A car will be going from Whanganui please ring Sr Marie Skidmore on 3438419 if you would like a ride.

Please note:

Newsletter items need to be in by Wednesday pm to make print that week. Thank you.

ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSALS;

Orders are now being taken for these missals. Please place your name on the order form in the foyer of Holy Family Church or hand your name to Jo at St. Mary's.

The cost will be around \$13 depending on the value of the American dollar when they arrive in mid November.

An order has been placed for Daily Psalm books and we will let you know when they arrive.

MARIAN MOTHERS THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Open yourself to genuine praise, there is always someone who appreciates Your achievements

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

Nurturing – Self-Care Day

Enjoy and experience a day of self-care and nurturing your body, mind and soul. We indulge with a foot spa, self-massage, aromatherapy, tips to relax and healing nutrition and more. Please bring a pillow & light blanket.

Saturday 3 November, 10am – 3pm, \$20 with Sandra Brunner

DVD Evening – The Ultimate Legacy

Following his experiences in 2 previous movies, Jason Stevens' life carries on. Having dealt with the tragedies and perils of his own family, he now tries to help a friend on a similar journey.

Thursday 8 November, 6.30pm, Koha Supper provided.

Stampin' Up – Christmas Theme

Make some creative cards this Christmas. Saturday 17 November, 10am – 12.30pm, \$10 (Please note date change) with Julia Martin

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

MELBOURNE CUP:

The annual local celebrations of the Melbourne Cup will be held at the residence of Ann and Kevin Foley, 133 Glasgow Street on Tuesday 6 November. Please hand your name with \$10 to the Foleys' or Pat at Holy Family and Jo at St. Mary's.

This cost covers the sweepstake and food for the BBQ following the race. BYO drinks. Commences about 4.30pm.

"Hibernian Catholic Benefit Society – St Patrick's Branch 400 Third Quarterly Meeting: 4.00pm, Monday 5 November 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



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Week two of Term Four, although shortened by Labour Weekend, proved to be rather busy.

We are working hard with our senior students to ensure they achieve their academic targets.

We are running our weekly 'Catch-Up' Programme every Tuesday up to NCEA External examinations which begin on Monday 10th November.

The junior Debaters are well into their events with our students travelling through to Palmerston North to take on Palmerston North Boys High School on Thursday 25th October.

On Friday 26th October our College commemorated the next step in our journey with the official opening and blessing of our new teaching and health services block.

Our local kaumatua, Gerrard Albert and John Maihi, officially opened the new block with a dawn service and Bishop Charles Drennan blessed the building later that morning.

Both events were well attended and it was a lovely atmosphere as we all marked this special occasion. We would like to thank those members of the parish and wider community who attended this important event.

Next week begins Week Three of our Term Four calendar and the final full week for our senior students.

As usual, our weekly Mass held at St Joseph's Chapel on Friday 2nd November.

This Mass will be run by our students from 10EG and we welcome any parishioners who wish to attend this event.

Mass at Te Rau Oriwa

On Sunday November 4 the Mass in *te reo*, which is normally celebrated at Kaiwhaiki, will be celebrated at Te Rau Oriwa Marae, beneath St Joseph's Hall at 11am. This Mass serves to call to mind the Holy Souls and to acknowledge the significance of the marae to the whole parish community as a place of prayer, peace and hospitality. Much effort was expended especially by the previous generation to make the marae so beautiful. All parishioners are welcome to attend. I also hope that many of the Catholic Maori resident in the city, who do not go up the river for other Masses in *te reo*, will be able to join us. The 9.30am Mass in St Mary's is unchanged.

Baptisms in our Parish

Congratulations to Eruera Hawira-Scanlon and his family. Eruera was baptised on Saturday 20th October at St Marys Church.



OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

WHAT'S UP?

ST. MARCELLIN SCHOOL

Principal: Maia Williams

Acting DRS: Maia Williams

Totara St. Wanganui.
Ph: 349 0023

Email: stmarcellin@welearn.school.nz

Kia Ora. Congratulations to Sandy Fernandez and Jesmy Jaison who did St. Marcellin's School proud at the Whanganui Catholic School's Speech Competition recently.

Jesmy was placed 1st in the Prepared Speech section and placed Merit in the Impromptu Speeches.

Sandy placed 3rd in the Prepared Speech, Merit for Impromptu and placed 2nd overall.

Sandy was placed 1st overall in the Whanganui Intermediate School's Competition last week and will represent Whanganui at the Regional Finals in Hawera on 4th November.

An invitation is extended to all to gather on the Tawhero School side of the new Cycle Track for the official opening by the Mayor Hamish McDouall and Mr Paul McArdie from Bike On Trust on Monday 5 November at 2pm.

This is the first shared school bike track in New Zealand.

Today we have the anointing of catechumens for a number of teenagers who will look to receive the sacraments of initiation.

Those who have attained the age of reason are treated as being adults when it comes to baptism (c. 852/1).

The priest will say to the children:

"We anoint you with the oil of salvation in the name of Christ our Saviour. May he strengthen you with his power, who lives and reigns for ever and ever."

I encourage you to pray for the young people as they progress in faith and prepare for their reception of the sacraments on November 11.

ST. ANNE'S SCHOOL

Principal: Karl Zimmerman

DRS: Jo Gichard.

Raine St. Wanganui East
Ph: 343 8389

Email: office@stannes.school.nz

We have a short but busy week with our Gala day this Saturday.

We hope you were able to join us for this major school fundraiser.

Next week we have three classrooms visit bushy park as part of their learning programme.

Also next Friday is our annual athletics day at Cooks Gardens.

Our school mass for term 4 is scheduled for Sunday 18th November at St Anne's Church at 9.30am. ngā mihi

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

Principal: Jacqui Luxton

DRS: Cath Daignault

30 London St. Wanganui
Ph: 343 1227

Email: school@stmarys.ac.nz

Last week our Year 5 & 6 students had a wonderful 3 days in the Pohangina Valley at Highland Home Christian Camp. They did a variety of activities and came home happy, but exhausted. The Year 7&8 students were also away at camp in Inglewood at Vertical Horizons. They had a brilliant time that saw a lot of students challenging themselves on different activities.

This week we have our Powhiri on Wednesday at 11.30am welcoming our new students into the school. We also have the diocesan staff working with our Year 1 teachers in Religious Education professional development.

Our students are currently preparing for Athletics and starting to practice for the end of year concert. Have a great week. God Bless.