

# MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY

<b>SUNDAY MASS TIMES:</b>	<b>Miha Maori</b>	<b>Patea</b>	<b>Waverley</b>	<b>RECONCILIATION:</b>
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

	ST MARY'S	HOLY FAMILY	ST ANNE'S/OTHERS
<b>MONDAY 11 Feb</b>	<b>NO Masses</b>	9.00am Liturgy	
<b>TUESDAY 12 Feb</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	10.00am Mass 4.00pm Legion of Mary	10.30am Kowhainui Mass 11.30am Mass
<b>WEDNESDAY 13 Feb</b>	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	9.30am Waverley
<b>THURSDAY 14 Feb</b>	12.05pm Mass Exposition follows Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am Craft 9.30am Exposition	6.30pm Parakino Mass
<b>FRIDAY 15 Feb</b>	9.-12pm Exposition 11.00am Reconciliation 11.45am Benediction 12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	10.00am Cullinane Mass
<b>SATURDAY 16 Feb</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass

# WHANGANUI PARISH BULLETIN 10 FEBRUARY 2019 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Readings for this week: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-1

Last week and this week we have been privileged to hear again the stories of the call of the prophets Jeremiah and Isaiah. Jeremiah learned that before God formed him in the womb He had been chosen and appointed to be a prophet to the nations. Isaiah was caught up in a vision of the all-powerful God enthroned in heaven surrounded by the seraphim, singing "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts the whole earth is full of his glory." After being cleansed from his sins Isaiah heard God's call, "Whom shall I send, who will go for us?" and responded in the well known words, "Here I am, send me!"

I always find myself rejoicing at the willingness of these two prophets indeed of all the prophets to take up the challenge implicit in the call and to speak and act so that the voice of the Lord was heard. Prophets faced enormous challenges as did Christ at Nazareth as we heard last Sunday.

Simon Peter was filled with a great sense of unworthiness after hauling in a huge catch after a night of fruitless fishing. We should not be surprised if we feel a sense of unworthiness when we hear the Lord's voice inviting us to follow a certain path in life. Nor should we forget the immense privilege in being asked to undertake any particular work in life – always remembering it is for the building up of the Church and the mission of the Church. We may be the only person invited to a particular task, such is the confidence God reposes in us.

And we should not think necessarily that a call comes only in the important decisions of life; to get married, to have another child, where to work, to respond to a call to religious life or the priesthood. The invitation to follow Christ's will may come in a conversation with a friend, to go and visit a sick person, to give extra to the Church's charitable works, to invite someone to join the family holiday. These sorts of things can and will work in the overall plan of God for us, our friends and acquaintances, teammates and workmates. You may not know until years later, as I have learned so often, what was the effect of following the impetus of the Holy Spirit.

Father John.

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

**Next weeks readings** Jeremiah 17:5-8; 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20; Luke 6:17, 20-26

Next week there are three strong readings to think about.

The Gospel reading can give the impression that Luke's Jesus is condemning anyone who has money, material wealth, a sense of humour and a good reputation while blessing those who are poverty-stricken, with no material possessions, no joy in life and the object of other's scorn.

The prophet Jeremiah seems to speak in an equally harsh manner about trusting human beings and thus turning away from God.

So do we have to believe that those of us who have plenty of money, those of us who are able to eat well, those of us who enjoy life, those of us with standing in society, have no place in the kingdom of God?

Or is what both Jeremiah and Jesus ask their followers to think about a matter of **attitude** – while not in need ourselves, being sensitive to and ready to respond to the needs of those not as well off as we are, enjoying our own lightheartedness but never failing to re-act with generosity and compassion to those weighed down with suffering and misery, using the standing and influence we might have in our community to seek justice and a better life for those who do not enjoy what we have.

St Paul tells us that living in the light of Christ's resurrection is what gives us real life.

It will enable us to think of others as well as ourselves, sharing our material benefits, our skills and our gifts with compassionate hearts and a commitment to mercy, justice and forgiveness. As Jeremiah says: "This tree does not fear when the heat comes.....in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit."

JB Kendall rsj

GENERAL BUSINESS

### Jerusalem-The Rosary

Bishop Peter Cullinane opened and blessed the Rosary Way 24 years ago, many day pilgrimages have been made from Wanganui, many visitors come there from all over the world, a few come to pray, they say they were so taken with the statue of Our Lady, so serene.

The Rosary pictures are weather beaten and faded and have been taken back to Wanganui. Patrick Seconi has taken on the task of refurbishing all of the frames and fittings.

The pictures will have to be replaced. Bishop Peter has been asked if he will mark the occasion next year which will be 25 years. Sponsors will be sought to cover the renovations being done.

Legion of Mary Holy Family Wanganui

*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:

Veronica Carr, Sr Oline Nielson, Mona Walden, Jose Corliss, Kenneth McGifford, John Kenneth Buico, Felipe Lapuz

### CONDOLENCES: ANNIVERSARIES:

Craig Shore (16/01); Ellen Connors (19/01); Stan Connors (25/01); Mike Oraa, Cecilia Bull'ot (1/1), Patricia Lawrence (9/1), Marie Shackleton (9/1), William Wilkinson (24/1), Frederick (Ray) Murdoch (27/1), Delphina Woon (11/1), Hawker Family, Morris Family, Joan Triplow, Henry Gallagher; Paul Fahy (25/01), Marion Bourke (04/02), Alex Leonie (11/02), Matthew Deazley (19/02)

### MASS OFFERINGS:

John Vivian and Eileen Berry, their sons Rev John Berry and Anthony Berry and grandson Kurt Wallace

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## FAITHSHARING GROUPS

### WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING

The next meeting will resume in the New Year. Any new ladies are most welcome

### MOTHER'S COMBINED PARISHES PRAYER GROUP

Resumes 25th January. 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

### Starting again this week.

#### The topic will be:

#### "The Creed"

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

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 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of month at 1.30 at Anne's Place, 58 Bedford Ave, Ph: 3454709

All Welcome

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

Many happy returns to Jeanette Bamford who celebrated her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday recently.

Well done Jeanette.



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## How Films Impact Our Spirituality

A series of five films spread over ten weeks which will explore how movies help us to understand our personal lives. This will explore (at an individual level) what can be learned about oneself from watching movies and reflecting on life's journey.

*"It's not so much about the movie – it's about you."*

The structure of the programme means it will be of most benefit if participants can be present at each session.

The theme this year is:

### The Stories of Our Lives.

#### Film: Stories We Tell

Tuesday 12 February, 7 -10pm, Koha with Marie Skidmore rsj

#### Liturgy – Wisdom Women

Sunday 17 February, 4.30 – 6pm

#### Tui Motu Group

Tui Motu, an Independent Catholic Magazine, will challenge us to look with fresh eyes, with gospel eyes, at current social, ecological and spiritual values. Come along and contribute

to the **discussion-inter-church and inter-faith dialogue** is welcomed.

Wednesday 20 February, 4.30 – 6pm  
with Sr Rita Cahill rsj

To register please call Pam on 3455047 ext 3 or email [pam.hopper@sosj.org.au](mailto:pam.hopper@sosj.org.au)



## OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

### WHAT'S UP?

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Thank you to our College community and parishioners who attended our Missioning Mass on 5th February. This was a wonderful event where our Year 9 and new entrant students received their College candle. The tradition of the candle continues from Sacred Heart College years and is a lovely way of officially recognising the new students as part of the College community. The Mass also allowed the Year 13 Tuakana team to reaffirm their faith and purpose in the College, through sharing a prayer of commitment.

Over the coming week we will hold many exciting College events. On Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February we will host a NCEA Endorsement Celebration Night which celebrates the achievements of our 2018 Year 11-13 students who achieved endorsements at a Merit or Excellence level.

From Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February our Year 9 cohort will be attending the Year 9 Journey Programme. This is a camp type setting where the students will be doing many activities including learning the history of our College, our school haka and meaning the behind our School Song.

Our first Mass for 2019 will be on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 10.00am held onsite in St Joseph Chapel. The Mass will be hosted by the students in 12DD and we warmly welcome all parishioners who would like to attend.

#### ST. MARCELLIN SCHOOL

Principal: Maia Williams

Acting DRS: Maia Williams

Totara St. Wanganui.

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Brothers and Sisters with Christ, happy new year.

A new school year has started, welcoming new students and catching up on holiday antics. Children and staff have returned refreshed and ready to get going.

I am looking forward to beginning our school year with the most positive and productive outlook and hope with our parish community we can all work together to continue to make your parish school the wonderful place to live and learn.

#### Please note:

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

## CALLING MUSICIANS

Judy O'Hara has decided to retire from the music ministry - we thank her for her 40 years of sharing her gift of music with us.

Joan Sullivan has indicated that she would also like to retire in the near future.

We thank those people who continue to share their gifts of musicians/singing with us all.

**Sooooooo we need more musicians, particularly key boards to step in and share their gifts with us.**

**We have experienced musicians who would be very happy to help you to settle into the role of musician for the Parish.**

**Please feel free to contact any of our musicians to have a chat about it.**



#### ST. ANNE'S SCHOOL

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Elizabeth Shaw

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## PALM BRANCHES:

In preparation for Palm Burning and Ash Wednesday please bring your old palms and

place them in the containers provided in the foyers of the churches.



## THANKS:

*Thank You!*

Fr. Don Don would like to express his gratitude to all the Whanganui Parishioners who made the trip to Stratford for his first official Mass as Parish Priest.

Please feel free to call in at the Presbytery in Miranda Street if you are passing through Stratford at any time. Those who went on Sunday were treated to a sumptuous lunch of roast pig on a spit, BBQ and many other delicacies.