

# MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY

<b>SUNDAY MASS TIMES:</b>	<b>Miha Maori</b>	<b>Patea</b>	<b>Waverley</b>	<b>RECONCILIATION:</b>
<b>St. Anne's</b> 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
<b>St Marys</b> 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
<b>Holy Family</b> 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 18 Feb</b>	<b>NO Masses</b>	9.00am Liturgy	
<b>TUESDAY 19 Feb</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	10.00am Mass 4.00pm Legion of Mary	10.30am Summerset Mass 11.30am Mass
<b>WEDNESDAY 20 Feb</b>	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass 5.00pm SVDP	9.30am Patea
<b>THURSDAY 21 Feb</b>	12.05pm Mass Exposition follows Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am Craft 9.30am Exposition	
<b>FRIDAY 22 Feb</b>	9.-12pm Exposition 11.00am Reconciliation 11.45am Benediction 12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	10.00am Cullinane Mass
<b>SATURDAY 23 Feb</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass

## GENERAL BUSINESS

**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.

**BURNING OF PALMS-SHROVE TUESDAY;** The usual burning of the palms will take place at Holy Family Church on Tuesday 4 March at 7.00pm. The Service will be followed with the traditional pancakes. If you are able to help provide pancakes please contact Moira McGifford on 344 2674.

**Cleaner required for St Annes Church.** 6 hours per fortnight– Friday's after 3pm. If you are interested or know of anybody please let Jo know in the office.

**Anointing Mass** Thursday 28th February at 2.30pm at St Marys. Followed by a cup of tea.  
You are all most welcome

*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, Jakob Chant, Sharon Evans (UK), David Haddock, Teresa Freeman, Betty McFarlane

### 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) John Kavanagh, Ray Walker (8/12), Mark Walker (5/2), Doreen Walker (1/1), Eustace Neville (13/02); Mervyn Charles (13/02)

### MASS OFFERINGS:

John Vivian and Eileen Berry, their sons Rev John Berry and Anthony Berry and grandson Kurt Wallace, Mary Gudsell (11/1), Frances Gupwell (9/2), Knuth & Hunt families, Maureen Carlisle, Laurence Conder (14/2)

## MASS OFFERINGS

# WHANGANUI PARISH BULLETIN 17 FEBRUARY 2019 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**Readings for this week:** Jer 17:5-8; I Cor15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

Last week we heard St Paul handing on the tradition he had received, that Christ died for our sins, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scripture and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve, and to more than five hundred brothers and sisters. *[see I Corinthians 15; 3-6]* This Sunday we heard him admonish some of the Corinthians who say that there is no resurrection from the dead. *[I Co 15; 12]* In earlier sections of the letter had upbraided them for their poor behaviour in making divisions in the Church.

I wondered how the people to whom Jeremiah addressed the words, “Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals, and make mere flesh their strength.” *[Jeremiah 17; 8]* reacted to his strong condemnation in his prophetic words.

As we heard on the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jeremiah was told, ““Do not say, ‘I am only a youth’; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the Lord.” *[Jeremiah 1; 7-8]*

It requires a great deal of courage to speak the truth of God. It also requires great humility and great trust and great courage to hear words of genuine criticism, correction and so on. Sometimes is it necessary to hear such words, even as our Lord himself uttered harsh criticisms to his hearers. Sadly many of these words are excised from the Sunday Lectionary readings. *[see, for example, Matthew 18; 6]*

Were they included we might find it easier to hear such words in our own day and learn from them. I remember years ago hearing an older and wiser priest telling to someone who was very cross at what the person thought had been said in an homily; “Go home, make a cup of tea, find a pleasant quiet place and then, ‘Ask God what he is trying to tell you through your anger’.” I heard later that the person concerned visited the priest to apologise, saying something like, “Thank you Father, you were so right!”

Father John.

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

**Next weeks readings: I Samuel 26:7-9, 12-13, 22-23; I Corinthians 15:45-49; Luke 6:27-38**

Something to keep in mind as we reflect on next week's readings might be this: If we take them seriously and actually try to live by them we're possibly going to end up living by values very different to those that many of our friends and acquaintances live by. After all, how many of us really *'love our enemies'*, take time to *'do good to those who hate us'*, or cheerfully *'give to everyone who begs from us'* to mention just one or two of the examples of being *'merciful as God is merciful'* that Luke's Jesus puts in front of us in the Gospel reading.

The first reading from Samuel gives us a concrete example of someone being *'merciful as God is merciful'*. As the story unfolds King Saul leads 3,000 men into the desert to track down David and kill him. When the tables are turned and David has the opportunity to do what most Israelites would have done without a second thought, he does exactly the opposite and refuses to kill Saul.

Paul writing to the Corinthians suggests that anyone who is serious about the king-dom of God has to be different – *“flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.”*

Next week's readings are held together by a saying common to many religions - *“Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.”* As Luke's Jesus puts it to his followers, that means behaving quite differently from many of the people around us - *turning the other cheek, giving not lending, loving not hating, forgiving not condemn-ing, generosity beyond measure* are not everyone's set of values.

JB Kendall rsj

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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.

We will continue with the topic of: "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 Marieanne 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

### St Augustine's 75th Reunion

Will be celebrated with a reunion over Labour weekend. Anniversary Dinner at Cullinane College Saturday October 26th. There will be a Mass on Sunday 27th Oct. If you are interested please send details to Henry@HenryNewrick.com or text/phone 027 471 2242 or Patrick O'Leary on 021576703

## Charity Applications

The Diocese of Palmerston North, in conjunction with the Catholic Charities Foundation of Palmerston North, the Tindall Foundation and Catholic Social Services, is seeking applications from parish groups, agencies and Church organisations.

We are looking for applications that support families and social services in the areas of early years, youth development, budgeting, literacy, Maori/cross-cultural, housing, and community service and development.

Application forms and criteria for funding are available from the parish office or the Diocesan Office, Private Bag 11012, Palmerston North – Attention: Mrs Wendy Silver, telephone 06 354 1780 ext 833, email [wsilver@pndiocese.org.nz](mailto:wsilver@pndiocese.org.nz) or you can download a copy of the application form from the diocesan website <https://pndiocese.org.nz/news-and-events/application-for-funding/>

Applications are to be sent to reach the Diocesan Office by 31 March 2019. Allocations will be made on 1 May 2019.

## Marian Mothers

The first meeting of the Marian Mothers for 2019 will be held on Thursday 21 February at Raewyn Hoskin's home, 95 Alma Road.

### We will start the meeting at 7pm with a pot luck dessert

The subject for discussion this month is "Smallness"

Prayer and raffle – Raewyn Hoskin.

Mothers of all ages are very welcome to attend. We especially welcome any new members. For enquiries or transport please phone Raewyn – 344 6299

## MARIAN MOTHERS THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Find out what you don't do well, then don't do it.

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

## 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

### 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: Life of Pi

Tuesday 26 February, 7pm, Koha with Marie Skidmore 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?

### Cullinane College

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Week Three of Term One was extremely busy with students and staff concentrating on academic studies.

At the beginning of the week some of our senior students took part in a Health and Safety course, which puts them in good stead before heading off to their Gateway placements.

From February 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> our Year 9 students took part in the Journey Programme.

This programme runs much like a camp and students learn team building exercises as well as the cultural and spiritual aspects of the College. It is at this event that our Year 9's are taught the story behind our School Song, the School Haka and the history of the College and the importance St Augustines College and Sacred Heart College played in its creation.

Week Four will be an exciting and competitive week as our College prepares for Inter-house Athletics Day (held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February). Students and staff will ascend on Cooks Gardens grounds wearing their House colours with pride as they begin the year with the first House event.

On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, we will host our weekly school Mass. This is held in St Joseph Chapel on the College grounds starting at 10am.

We warmly welcome any parishioners who wish to attend this Mass, which will be hosted by the students from 13HD.

### ST. MARCELLIN SCHOOL

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## Suggestions and Pastoral requests

Anyone who is a visitor to the parish is welcome to record their impressions of the church and the community in the visitors book locate in the middle of the gathering area.

In addition, visitors and parishioners are invited to write their suggestions and pastoral requests on the note paper provided and to place the request in the wooden box beneath the table.

Parish staff look forward to hearing how the mission of the parish and wider Church can be made more effective by your ideas and suggestions.

*Thank you*

I would like to thank everyone for the warm welcome that you had shown me ever since I arrived. Thank you for making me feel welcome and accepted in your community, which I am very much a part now. Anyone who would like a visit or a chat feel free to chat with me after Mass or call me at the office. Love and Blessings,

Fr. Nathaniel

### ST. ANNE'S SCHOOL

**Acting Principal:**

Elizabeth Shaw

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## Lenten Seminars

Parishioners are invited to a series of Lenten Seminars which will be held at Te Rau Oriwa marae on the Saturday afternoons of Lent from 2pm -3.30pm. Each of these will refer to and build on the others. A gold coin donation towards the cost of using the marae would be appreciated. The topics will address the fundamental aspects of being formed as a Christian in society today:

9 March: Encounter - how do I encounter Christ and continue to grow in knowledge of him?

16 March: Conversion - how does Christ change me as I orient my life towards him?

23 March: Discipleship - how can I grow and deepen my experience of faith?

30 March: Communion - how do we live faith in community?

6 April: Mission - what does it mean to be sent to proclaim the Good News to others?

Kia ora tatou

A couple of Sundays ago I was celebrating a 'usual' Sunday Mass. What was different, was that I was among a crowd of 750,000 (the large majority in their 20s). World Youth Day, in Panama City, Central America was the venue, and the presider was our Pope, Papa Francesco. This was the first WYD I have been to. Before leaving my expectations had been neutral, but I returned from our two weeks in Panama (about 25 Kiwis contribution to the 750,000!) invigorated and in deep awe of the gift of our universal Church and faith. Papa Francesco was in great form and the welcome of the Panamanian people was infectious.

Please follow my Facebook [www.facebook.com/BishopCharlesDrennan](https://www.facebook.com/BishopCharlesDrennan) blog and photos of Panama WYD, or read more on our diocesan website site [www.pndiocese.org.nz/](http://www.pndiocese.org.nz/).

My reflections are heartfelt and I thank the Holy Spirit for ensuring the Church keeps dynamic in all we seek to be for Christ.

+ Charles

