

# MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY



## WHANGANUI PARISH BULLETIN 24 FEBRUARY 2019 7TH 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

	ST MARY'S	HOLY FAMILY	ST ANNE'S/OTHERS
<b>MONDAY 25 Feb</b>	<b>NO Masses</b>	9.00am Liturgy 7.00pm Faith Exploration	
<b>TUESDAY 26 Feb</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	10.00am Mass @ School 4.00pm Legion of Mary	10.30am St Johns Healthcare 11.30am Mass
<b>WEDNESDAY 27 Feb</b>	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	9.30am Waverley
<b>THURSDAY 28 Feb</b>	12.05pm Mass <b>2.30pm Anointing Mass</b>	9.00am Mass 9.30am Craft 9.30am Exposition	
<b>FRIDAY 1 March</b>	9.-12pm Exposition 11.00am Reconciliation 11.45am Benediction 12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	10.00am Cullinane Mass
<b>SATURDAY 2 March</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass

**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.

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

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** The Ecumenical Service prepared by the people of Slovenia will be held at the St. Paul's Worship Centre in Guyton Street on Friday 1 March at 7pm. All are welcome to attend. Please bring a plate for supper. This is the only Service in the city for WDOP due to a downturn in those who are able to help organise.

*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, Linda Thompson, Dan O'Leary

### 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), Thomas Sullivan (27/2), Ella Sullivan (12/3), relatives and friends of Sullivan and Collis families, Betty McFarlane (13/2)

### Readings for this week: I Sam 26.2 :7-9, 12-13, 22-25; I Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

The story of David and Abishai sneaking into King Saul's camp in the dark of night is instructive. [I Samuel 26; 2-25] Abishai urges David to kill Saul while he is asleep. David refuses "for who can raise his hand against the Lord's anointed and be guiltless." [I Sam 26; 9] He takes Saul's spear and water jar instead, and the two leave the camp as soundlessly as they had entered.

In the morning David called to Saul from the hill across the valley saying, "As your life was precious today in my sight, so may my life be precious in the sight of the Lord, ..." [I Sam 26; 24]

As I thought about this story it gradually dawned on me that it could be the start of a personal meditation on the respect we should give to our fellow human beings. Each one is precious in God's sight for He has given life to each. We know that we should respect and preserve all life; abortion, euthanasia, murder, are strictly forbidden us.

We are fortunate in New Zealand that capital punishment has been abolished and replaced with a life sentence (the convicted person must serve a minimum of ten years in prison and remains on parole for the remainder of life).

Respecting people, realising and living that they are precious requires far more than only respecting life. I read all sorts of reports about the way people treat each other in the workplace and at home. I see accounts of bullying, sexist behaviour, and so on., When I had finished reading the newspaper account, for example, of the behaviour of MP's, parliamentary staff and such people I was appalled.

After a little thought I wondered where the normal respectful behaviour of my youth had gone. Ordinary good manners dictates that one treats everyone with care and courtesy. The behaviour our Lord outlines in the Sermon on the Plain in Luke's Gospel reminds us how we should behave towards everyone, whether we like them or not, however bad their behaviour may be to us.

We are to love our neighbour no matter what.

Father John.

### EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

**Next weeks readings: Sirach 27:4-7; I Corinthians 15:54-58; Luke 6:39-45**

Next week's readings give us an opportunity to reflect on the effect our words and action have on others and how our words give others a glimpse of who we really are, what our values are, and what is important in our lives.

The passage from Sirach reminds us that what we say is a pretty good indicator of what we think and feel – "...the test of a person is in conversation .... a person's speech discloses the cultivation of the mind" or as the gospel reading puts it in its final sentence: "...it is out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks."

Closer to our own time, Mahatma Gandhi put it this way:

"Your beliefs become your thoughts,  
Your thoughts become your words,  
Your words become your actions,  
Your actions become your habits,  
Your habits become your values,  
Your values become your destiny."

Or taking it back to how Luke puts it in the gospel reading: "No good tree bears bad fruit.....Out of the good treasure of the heart, the good person produces good....."

JB Kendall rsj

GENERAL BUSINESS

MASS OFFERINGS

**St. Mary's**  
1 Campbell St, Ph. 345 3872  
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**Fr. Marcus Francis**  
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Team 348 9303

**Vacant position**  
Chairperson of Liturgy



## 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

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 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

#### Indian Mass

The monthly Mass in the Syro Malabar Rite will be celebrated at Holy Family Church on Sunday 3rd March commencing with Rosary at 5.30pm.  
All are welcome.

#### Becoming a Catholic

A gathering for anyone interested in becoming Catholic or already on the journey towards being part of the Catholic Church. This will take place on Saturday 9 March at St Marys Church at 10.30am. Parishioners are invited to ask anyone who might be interested to come along and even better to accompany them as we open up to the movement of the Holy Spirit who calls each of us to greater knowledge and love of God in our lives. It is expected that the gathering will conclude by noon.

#### 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@pndioocese.org.nz](mailto:wsilver@pndioocese.org.nz) or you can download a copy of the application form from the diocesan website <https://pndioocese.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 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

#### 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

#### Goal Setting with a Friend Workshop

Bring along a friend for a fun and supportive way to clarify your aspirations in all the areas of your life, and effortlessly to fruition.

Saturday 2 March, 9.30am – 12pm, \$10 with Tracey Young

#### Quiet Day – Life, from the Root to the Fruit

Monday 4 March, 10am – 3pm with Maureen Calman. Koha

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



#### Cullinane College

**Principal:** Justin Harper

**DRS:** Helen Dougherty

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[www.cullinanecollege.school.nz](http://www.cullinanecollege.school.nz)

This week at Cullinane College staff and students displayed their competitive side as they took part in Athletics Day.

This event was held at Cooks Gardens and it was great to see how many students dressed up in their House colours to compete in the running, long jump, high jump, discus, javelin, shot put and hurdle events.

Next week will be Week Five in our College calendar and it is amazing how fast this term is flying by.

Our students will be concentrating on their academics with little to no disruptions from outside events.

Once again we warmly invite any Parishioners who wish to attend our weekly Mass held in the College Chapel.

This Mass begins at 10am every Friday and will be hosted by the students from 12HD.

#### Heading off to university

or n a new town? Check out this link with all the welcome events for each New Zealand university!

[www.pndioocese.org.nz/tertiary2019](http://www.pndioocese.org.nz/tertiary2019).

There are tertiary chaplains who are there to welcome you and support you in this new chapter of your life!!

If you need any help, or have any further questions, please contact the Palmerston North Catholic Tertiary Chaplain at [nwilson@pndioocese.org.nz](mailto:nwilson@pndioocese.org.nz)

or 021822814

#### St Anthony's Gala

88 Alma Road on Saturday 2nd March 11-4pm.

**Lenten Prayer for Life:** This Lent, join us in prayer, fasting and reparation, especially for the 36 pre-born babies who lose their lives through abortion every single day of the year in New Zealand. To find out more take a flyer or view the poster in the church porch.

For all enquiries call 09 629 4361 or email [life@fli.org.nz](mailto:life@fli.org.nz) Register your prayer commitment soon at [fli.org.nz/](http://fli.org.nz/) [lentenprayerforlife](http://lentenprayerforlife)

## 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](mailto:stmarcellin@welearn.school.nz).

#### 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.

#### 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?

#### ST. ANNE'S SCHOOL

**Acting Principal:**

Elizabeth Shaw

**DRS:** Jo Gichard.

Raine St. Wanganui East

Ph: 343 8389

Email: [office@stannes.school.nz](mailto:office@stannes.school.nz)

#### ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

**Principal:** Jacqui Luxton

**DRS:** Cath Daignault

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We are busily into our new year. Our students are sorting teams for swimming sports, with our youngest students heading to the Splash Centre for Water Safety lessons. Our Year 5 & 6 students went to Pakaitore (Moutua Gardens) to learn more about the Treaty of Waitangi and what role our local Maori chiefs had in signing the Treaty. This was run by the Whanganui Museum and was really interesting. Our school purchased Osmo sets for each classroom and the children are really enjoying this new form of digital learning. On Thursday we held our 'Meet the Teacher' night and it was well attended.

Upcoming dates: Mass on the Grass is on the 17th March on our school field at 9.30am. You are all welcome to join us celebrating this Mass in the morning sunshine. 'Date night with a King' is something new we are trying - a Praise and Worship session in our school library on Wednesday 27th March at 7pm. Have a great week.

#### 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](mailto:Henry@HenryNewrick.com) or text/ phone 027 471 2242 or Patrick O'Leary on 021576703