



Catholic Parish of Whanganui

Te Pārihi Katorika ki Whanganui (2015)
Diocese of Palmerston North, New Zealand



ST MARY'S CHURCH
1 Campbell Street

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH
22 Tawhero Street

ST ANNE'S CHURCH
47 Raine Street

TE RONGO O TE POI
(Beat of the Poi to the Gospel)
584 Kaiwhaiki Road
Kaiwhaiki Marae

NGAKAU TAPU (Sacred Heart)
4491 Whanganui River Road
Rānana (London)

HĀTO HŌHEPA (St Joseph's)
600 Whanganui River Road
Hiruhārama (Jerusalem)



Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete)

12th December 2021; Year C / Weekdays Year 2

MASS TIMES—RED

Sunday Masses

Whanganui

Holy Family (HF) Vigil (Sat)
4:00pm Vac' Pass (100 limit)
5:30pm Vac' Pass (100 limit)

St Mary's (SM)
8:00am Vac' Pass (100 limit)
9:30am Vac' Pass (100 limit)

St Anne's (SA)
4:00pm No Pass (25 limit)
5:30pm No Pass (25 limit)

Kaiwhaiki

11:00am (1st Sun, Jan no Mass)

Hiruhārama (Jerusalem)

Rānana (London)
12:00pm (4th Sun; alternating venue)
Dec replaced by Christmas Mass
Jan no Mass

Weekday Masses

Mon	9:00am	HF	Vac' Pass
Tues	10:00am	HF	No Pass
	11:30am	SA	No Pass
Wed	5:30pm	SM	No Pass
Thurs	12:05pm	SM	No Pass
Fri	12:05pm	SM	Vac' Pass
Sat	9:30am	SA	Vac' Pass

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Wed 6:00pm—7:00pm SM
Fri 9:00am—11:50am SM
concluding with Benediction on Fridays

RECONCILIATION (Rite I)

Fri 11:20am—11:40am SM
Sat 9:00am—9:20am SA
or by appointment

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Sunday Readings: Zeph: 3.14-18; Phil 4.4-7; Lk: 3.10-18

Next Week: Mic: 5.1-4; Heb 10.5-10; Lk: 1.39-44



Covid Protection Framework (Traffic Lights)

Vaccine Pass Entry to Some Masses to begin Saturday 11 Dec 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you all very much for the way you all managed over the past weekend. It is incredible challenging at present, given the size of our Parish and the numbers that desire to attend Mass. It just seems such the reverse of our Mission to have to limit the numbers that are able to come to receive the Lord at Mass, but nonetheless, we need to follow the Government requirements to keep everyone safe—so thank you again for your understanding.

This coming weekend we are going to have to make a few more changes to make sure we can accommodate everyone who wishes to attend our Masses. Therefore, from Saturday 11 Dec we will begin the use of the Vaccine Pass to attend some Masses to increase our capacity under the RED limits. Masses will have signage out the front of each church informing you if Vaccine Passes are needed or not and the limits in play.

We have published to right of this newsletter the current Mass times and how access is gained with or without a vaccine pass to prevent too much confusion. Having a separate group in the foyer wasn't really that workable but worth a try!

In essence, we are moving to have Sunday Weekend Masses at Holy Family and St Mary's using the Vaccine Pass, and the Masses at St Anne's not using the Pass—RED limits in play. Weekdays are a variety, but when we move to ORANGE we will not use the Pass for weekday Masses as the limit is 50 people.

I know all this information is a lot to take in at this time and there might be need for more changes along the way, so thank you in advance for your understand. Lets all pray for an end to the pandemic and that we move to Orange soon, as life will be easier under that light :-)

Blessings,
Fr Vaughan.



Message from St Vincent de Paul

Kia ora tatou,

It has been a tough year with COVID circumstances

meaning our works involved keeping in touch through phone instead of usual face to face visits or praying with others for intentions. Our op shop work continued as the government Alert levels allowed and interactions supporting our community through a listening ear or word of encouragement as well as practical support at times.

We also completed delivering the De-Stress Care Parcels to 34 homes (with 85 children) last week. This was a mammoth task but made easier with the abundant donations from St Anne's and St Mary's school community as well as the helping hands of members putting them together and delivering them.

We thank you our faithful parish community for your ongoing support and invite you to continue this through online bank means as cheques we have previously received are no longer a viable option. Society of Vincent de Paul NZ. 03-0791-0554578-00.

Our first meeting in 2022 will be at 5pm on Wednesday 2 Feb (Feast of the Presentation) at Holy Family Church.

Advent blessings of peace, love, joy and hope be with you all.

Marianne on behalf of our St Vincent de Paul (Whanganui) Conference.

Died Recently

Tony Murphy

Anniversaries

Bernadette Thompson, Glenn Watson, Catherine Bourke, John Bourke, Ellen Batchelor & Tom Manson

Requiescant in Pace

JOSEPHITE RETREAT CENTRE

14 Hillside Tce, Whanganui, 06 345 5047, Ex3

Meri Kirihimete – Christmas Liturgy

(Please bring a non-perishable food item to assist those in need at this time.)

Sunday 19 December, 4 – 5pm

www.marymackillop.org.nz

Enquires, please call Pam on 06 345 5047 ext 3 or email pam.hopper@sosj.org.au

A HOMELESS HUB OUTREACH FOR 2022 - Parish Exploring Faith Group.

If you would be willing and able to take a turn once every 3 months in helping to provide a soup & bun meal for the homeless accommodated at the Hub (approx 20 people) Please contact Jo Smillie 027 278 7943 or Pat Garforth 027 491 9637

You would be part of a rostered team of three, each team member providing a large pot of soup (3 litres or more) delivered cold with buns to the Koha Shed in Duncan Street) –12 teams of three-a turn once every three months ensuring that the commitment was not too demanding.

ON SALE

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COLUMBAN CALENDARS—are available from the office and will be available at some Masses. \$12.00 each.

HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY to Barbara Griffin. We hope you had a lovely day with family and friends.

SYNOD—To contribute you can download the Participant Booklet from the Parish Website www.catholicparishwhanganui.org.nz or collect a hard copy from the Office. All groups, schools or individuals are welcome to meet and make submissions directly to the Diocese for collection and summary by 15 August 2022 <https://tumanako.pndioocese.org.nz/2021/10/synod-2021-2023/>

FOOD FOR FAITH offers brief daily reflections for Advent. Sign up at www.foodforfaith.org.nz.

MARIST RUGBY AGM—Sunday 12th December 11.00am at the Marist Club Rooms. All are most welcome.

PARISH TO PARISH FOR BNB CHANGES—From 1st September this year For one guest \$50 per night, each additional guest, \$30 each, e.g two guests would be \$80 for one night. Due to COVID-19 some hosts may not be available for guests, please respect their wishes, books are available \$15, Marie Anderson, phone 03 3595 541, email: Marie.ian@xtra.co.nz

FUNERAL UNDER TRAFFIC LIGHTS – Families are welcome to have Vaccine Pass or No Vaccine Pass gatherings. Families are to follow the restrictions in place regarding limits and sighting vaccine passes. Church foyer facilities will not be available for catered receptions during RED & ORANGE, but can resume at GREEN.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES—These will be published next week. Apologies for having to delay this another week, but we are not able to announce these until the Government informs us all on Mon 13 Dec what Traffic Light we will be in for Christmas and the Holiday period. However, please be aware that we will be professionally streaming the 7pm Vigil (24 Dec) from St Mary's Church on our Parish YouTube Channel. Thank you for your support during these challenging times.

MUSICIANS AND SINGERS PRACTICE FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES

Musicians and singers, please come along to the practice for the Christmas Masses on **Sunday 19 Dec at 3:00pm at St Mary's** (all the Christmas masses will be at St Mary's Church this year to allow for best capacity/spacing).

MASKS—Please consider bringing your own as these are expensive for the Parish to provide.

St Marcellin School

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7a Totara St, Wanganui
06 349 0023

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St Mary's School

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St Anne's School

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Cullinane College

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PARISH GROUPS

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The Whanganui conference of the Society meets 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month at Holy Family Church, Tawhero St, Whanganui, **5.00pm**.
Enquiries: Marianne Vine 027 422 8170 or Kevin Foley 06 345 0542.



EXPLORING FAITH GROUPS

Mondays 7:30pm-9pm Zoom meeting & Tuesdays 10:00am-Noon. St Marys' Meeting room. Contact and enquires to Nancie & Brian Quigley 06 347 8177 (Evening Group) Jo Smillie 06 345 0609 (Morning Group) Led by Sr John Bosco Kendall sj. All welcome to attend.

HOLY FAMILY CRAFT GROUP

Meets weekly on Thursdays 9:30am. For further information contact Shirley 06 344 6365

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Wednesdays 7-8pm, St Anne's Church Foyer. Contact Sandy Marks via text 027 343 7478.

MEN'S FAITH-SHARING

Fridays 7:00am. For further information and venue contact Peter 06 342 5812

LEGION OF MARY

Meets Tuesdays 4pm at Holy Family Church. Contact Lake Falconer 06 344 4170

LADIES COFFEE CLUB

Meets Wednesdays 10am at Cooper's Cafe, 53a Wilson St—All welcome

MAINLY MUSIC

Contact Anne 344 6569
Facebook: [mainlymusicstannes](https://www.facebook.com/mainlymusicstannes)

CLC (CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY)

Meet every Thursday at 1.00pm -St Mary's Meeting room. Ph 06 343 8031

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