



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)

Sixth Sunday of Easter

14th May 2023; Year A / Weekdays Year 2

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday 15th May

9:00am Communion Service
Holy Family

Tuesday 16th May

10:00am Mass Holy Family
11.30am Communion Service
St Anne's

Wednesday 17th May

5.30pm Mass St Mary's

Thursday 18th May

12.05pm Mass St Mary's

Friday 19th May

11.20am Reconciliation St Mary's
12.05pm Mass St Mary's

Saturday 20th May

9.00am Reconciliation St Anne's
9.30am Mass St Anne's
5.30pm Sunday Vigil Mass
Holy Family

Sunday 21st May

9.30am Mass St Mary's
5.30pm Mass St Anne's

UPCOMING EVENTS

21st May

6.30-8.30pm Youth Group Info Night
St Mary's Hall

11th June

6.30-8.30pm Life Teen Wanganui
(Youth Group for Year 9-13)
St Mary's Hall

6-20 June

Church Life Survey

Sunday Readings: Acts: 8.5-8, 14-17; 1 Pet: 3.15-18; Jn: 14.15-21

Next Week: Acts: 1.1-1; Eph: 1.17-23; Mt: 28.16-20



Roberts' Ramble

On Friday morning I listened to an extended but passionate report on the disaster at Abbey Caves. I was deeply saddened.

As I walked to the shower I found myself praying not only for the young man who had died and his family, but for the teacher and instructor, his fellow students and the whole school – parents, teachers, support personnel and students alike.

I know that many of us will be praying for all sorts of events happening not only in New Zealand but overseas as well. I pray for peace in the Ukraine every day, I often pray for the Uighur people of China and the displaced Rohingya people of Myanmar.

I can be easy to leave such matters to "the experts", our contemplative nuns and monks. Loving our neighbours in intercessory prayer is, I suggest, recognising that the ones we think of, hear or read about are our neighbours too.

The Church asks us to undertake such praying at Sunday Mass too. I tried an experiment with a group of teenagers some years ago. When I asked them to pray for mothers in difficulties their prayers were limited to that group, when I asked them simply to pray for fathers their reported prayers were wide ranging; we heard of fathers at work, fathers teaching their children sporting skills, how to maintain house and garden, fathers away from home and so on. It is amazing what people will pray for when given the opportunity.

I keep hoping that I am responding to the Holy Spirit and the needs of my world-wide neighbours when I turn to intercessory prayer.

Father John.

CARDINAL JOHN DEW RETIRES AS CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP OF WELLINGTON

Cardinal John Dew, the Catholic Archbishop of Wellington since 2005, has retired on reaching his 75th birthday.

Pope Francis accepted Cardinal John's formal resignation as Archbishop of Wellington and made the announcement on 5 May in Rome. Coadjutor Archbishop Paul Martin SM succeeds Cardinal John as Archbishop of Wellington.

Cardinal John remains as Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Palmerston North and continues with his various Vatican roles, including membership of the College of Cardinals, able to take part in papal elections until aged 80.

A statement is available online: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/cjd/>

NZ SIGN LANGUAGE WEEK | 8 – 14 MAY 2023

Every May, we celebrate New Zealand Sign Language (NZSL) Week, a celebration of one of the country's official languages. NZSL Week is a chance for the Deaf community to stand proud as Deaf, and to celebrate their language and culture. It also works to break down barriers, fears and misconceptions. NZSL Week lets Deaf New Zealanders put their hands up and be seen! A few prayer resources from St Dominics Deaf Centre can be found here.

You can also download a copy of the [2023 NZSL Week Poster here](#) and learn your name in Sign Language.

VOICE FOR LIFE AGM— Friday 19th May
7.15pm at Reformed Church— 39 Gonville Ave.
Followed at 8pm by Dr John McMenamin - First Start. Supporting babies and new mothers.
All are most welcome. Supper afterwards.

Died Recently

Noel Boyle, Yvonne Maniapoto, Terry Gray,
David McKenzie, John Mitchell, Harry Keegan

Anniversaries

Maurice Kenny, Winston Te Tana, Loma Herring,
Margaret Day, Deidre McBride, Mary Monaghan,
Bill Connors, Bernard Connors, Frances Jones,
David Hartley, Pat Haddock, Frank Smith,
Margaret & Patrick Vaughan, Stephen Gallen

JOSEPHITE RETREAT CENTRE

14 Hillside Tce, Whanganui, 06 345 5047, Ext 3

www.marymackillop.org.nz

Retreat in Daily Life: Encountering God in a Distracted World – Looking Ahead With Hope.

A 25 day Retreat, meeting each week on a Monday and the rest done at home with Juliet Kojis
Week 3: Monday 15 May, 7–8.30pm, \$25 for 5 nights or Koha

Tui Motu Group

Where articles from the current Tui Motu Magazine are explored and discussed. With Liz Hickey rsj
Wednesday 17 May, 4 – 5.15pm

Dreams: A Resource for Life to the Full

This retreat day gives participants a way to work with their dreams and integrate them into their lived spirituality. with Br Kevin Dobbyn fms
Saturday 20 May, 9.30 – 3.30pm

Community Liturgy – Life's Harvest

Sunday 21 May, 4 – 5pm

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

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HOMELESS HUB OUTREACH—

The soup roster for next week is the Trish Herbert's team.

Further information contact Maureen
027 491 2168 or Pat 343 6313.



STAY UP TO DATE WITH OUR YOUTH SPACE

Do you want to keep in touch with what's happening for young people in our parish?? Find us on social media:

Facebook - Life Teen Whanganui

Instagram - Lifeteen_Whanganui

WE NEED YOU!

Do you love Christ and Young People? Do you want to see Youth find a place of belonging in the Church? We're looking for some fantastic adults to join our Volunteer Youth Ministry team!! Come along to an info night Sunday the 21st of May 6.30-8.30 to find out more.

YOUTH GROUP KICK OFF

Our new senior Youth Group **LIFE TEEN WHANGANUI** is all set to kick off on Sunday the 11th of June 6.30-8.30pm. If you're Year 9-13 at School this is for you! Youth group will run every week in term time!!

YOUTH GROUP Come and join us at Cullinane College on Friday 12th May, bring your friends and family too have some fun! Pizza will be provided!!! Theme: Winter Festival 6:00pm to 8:00pm Year 7-9 welcome. Cullinane School Chapel (Front of School) Led by Year 10 leaders and Te Mana Kaua (Cullinane Connection Coordinator)



Our Lady Queen of Peace

We call on Mary's Intercession for the people of Ukraine and lasting peace.

St Marcellin School

Principal: Belinda Backwell
7a Totara St, Wanganui
06 349 0023

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St Mary's School

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DRS: Mrs Cath Daignault
30 London St, Wanganui
06 343 1227

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St Anne's School

Principal: Mrs Ann-Maree Manson-Petherick
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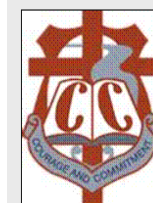
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Cullinane College

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PARISH GROUPS

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The Catholic Parish of Whanganui Holy Family Conference of the Society meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month at The Vinnies Shop, 217 Victoria Avenue @ 4pm.
Enquiries: Margaret Gudsell 027 2770336 or Kevin Foley 027 3264275
We welcome new Vincentians.



YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

On hold at this time

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

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 rsj.

LADIES COFFEE CLUB

Meets Wednesdays at 10.00am at Mitre 10 Cafe.
All welcome

CLC (CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY)

For information on meeting locations and dates please contact Karyn 0278348352

PARISH YOUTH GROUP

Watch this space

Parish Priest

Fr Craig Butler
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Assistant Priest

Fr John Roberts
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Parish Secretary—Office hours: 8:30am-3pm

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RCIA Parish Catechist

Tony Hore
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Parish Care & Concern Network

Contact Parish Office

Hospital Chaplain

Norma O'Connor
027 233 4557

Prison Chaplain

Sean Ryan
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