



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)

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

15th October 2023; Year A / Weekdays Year 1

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday 16th October

9:00am C/S Holy Family
7:00pm Confirmation Session 5
St Marys

Tuesday 17th October

9.00am Mass Holy Family
12.05am Mass St Mary's

Wednesday 18th October

12.05am Mass St Mary's

Thursday 19th October

9.00am Mass St Anne's
12.05pm Mass St Mary's

Friday 20th October

10.00am Mass St Joseph's
11.20am Rite 1 St Mary's
12.05pm Mass St Mary's

Saturday 21st October

9.00am Rite 1 St Anne's
9.30am Mass St Anne's
5.30pm Sunday Vigil Mass
Holy Family

Sunday 22nd October

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

October

17 Oct First Communion Session1
7pm St Marys Church
29 Oct Confirmation Mass
9.30am St Marys Church

November

2 Nov All Souls Memorial Mass
7pm at St Marys
12 Nov First Communion Mass
9.30am St Marys Church

Sunday Readings: Isa: 5.1-7; Phil: 4.6-9; Mt: 21: 33-43

Next Week: Isa: 25.6-10a; Phil: 4.10-14, 19-20; Mt: 22: 1-14

ROBERTS' RAMBLE

We have our new bishop. He has already written to the priests telling us of an Assembly in the New Year where we will learn a little more about the art of preaching. At the National Assembly of Diocesan Priests he is spending time with us so we get to know each other.

Please keep us in your prayers .

Last week I was at Tyburn Monastery at Ngakuru spending time in prayer and reflection. Every year priests read the Sermon on the Shepherds by St Augustine. I chose to use this as one thread of prayer. He does not mince his words. I have been reminded of the importance of being a good shepherd after the example of my Master, the Lord Jesus. I hope I may do better in the future, especially if you keep me in your prayers.

On Saturday we celebrated Mother Phillipa Mary's Silver Jubilee of Monastic Profession. The homilist reminded us of the importance of fidelity, being faithful to vows and promises made. In recent weeks I have been reminded of similar fidelity in marriage. Thank you for the wonderful example you share with me in these matters.

And thank you also for letting me be away for a time of refreshing prayer and rejoicing. Be assured of my prayers for you all, Father John.

POPE'S CLIMATE EXHORTATION A CLARION CALL, SAY NZ CATHOLIC BISHOPS

Bishop Stephen Lowe as President of the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference has issued a public and media statement on Laudate Deum. In it, he says: "Laudate Deum is a clarion call to us all, as individuals, as industry and as nations, to examine whether our attitudes and actions towards care of Mother Earth are consistent with the passing on of this taonga, this treasure, to our future generations. "Bishop Steve's statement is attached. It is also online here: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/laudate-deum/>

Additionally, Caritas Aotearoa NZ has published two articles on Laudate Deum which you are invited to read: What does Laudate Deum mean for climate action in Aotearoa New Zealand? <https://www.caritas.org.nz/advocacy-newsletter/laudate-deum-nz-climate>

· How does Laudate Deum relate to the work of Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand? <https://www.caritas.org.nz/advocacy-newsletter/laudate-deum-can-z-work>

WEEKDAY MASSES

This week 16th of October we are trialling a new Weekday Mass Schedule including the following:

**Holy Family Church on Tuesdays at 9.00am
St Anne's Church on a Thursday at 9.00am
Please keep an eye on the Weekly Calendar on the front page of this newsletter.**

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY | 22 OCTOBER 2023

Collection at mass on 29th October.

Sunday 19 November will be the 7th annual World Day of the Poor, a day to consider how we all can stand in solidarity with people in need. Caritas Aotearoa NZ has created resources for the day.

Go here: www.caritas.org.nz/world-day-of-the-poor

Died Recently

David McEwen, Margaret Bonisch, Marjory Hawes, Margaret Connors

Anniversaries

Michele Watson, Alison Bennett, Teddy Moore, Gordon & Marie Harrison, Flo Smith, Bob Smith, Pat Smith, Murray Ahern, Muriel Fleming, Patrick McGonigle, Colleen Cavanagh, Maurice Gallagher, Tiny Smith

Eternal Rest Grant to them O Lord

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE.—You're invited to love them both by attending the seventh annual NATIONAL March for Life in Wellington on Saturday 2 December. Join people of goodwill from all over NZ in a celebration of life which also peacefully protests the practice and legality of abortion. Gather at Civic Square from 1 pm for family-friendly entertainment, sausage sizzle and pro-life stalls. March to Parliament Grounds begins at 2pm. Concludes at 4pm. Learn more at www.marchforlife.nz

MASS FOR LIFE.—You're invited to pray for babies, mums, dads and families at a Mass for Life on Friday 1 December, 7pm at St Mary of the Angels, 17 Boulcott Street, Wellington. Eucharistic Adoration will follow for one hour after Mass to pray in readiness for the National March for Life. For more information, please visit fli.org.nz/prolifeevents or phone Simon 021 400 72

COLUMBAN CALENDARS—are now available at the office. \$15.00 each.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION—Thursday morning 7-8am at St Mary's Church.

Contact Kate Lynch 0272430430 or Helen Dougherty 0274136273.

All very welcome. Coffee provided ☺

HOMELESS HUB OUTREACH—The soup roster for next week is Angela Aspinall's Team. Further information contact Maureen 027 491 2168 or Pat 343 6313.

SENIOR YOUTH GROUP

Runs every week **6.30-8.30pm at Saint Mary's Church Hall.** If you're

year 9-13 (or you're a super keen year 8 I'll sneak you in) this is for you!! **What to expect:** Games, challenges, prizes, chocolate, learning about faith, making new friends, it's honestly so much fun!! Please come along and check it out.

For more info contact Rain on 0212560608 or email youth.cpow@gmail.com



SENIOR YOUTH GROUP IS BACK!! Join us at Saint Mary's Church from 6.30-8.30 Sunday Night. Can't wait to see you all there!

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

CONFIRMATION Session Five is on Monday 16th Oct 7-8.30pm

ON SALE NZ Catholic \$4 **NZCatholic**

ROSARY—October - Month of the Holy Rosary For the month of October the Rosary will be prayed before Masses at St Mary's at 11.40am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and 11.10am Friday. St Anne's 9.10am on Saturday. Holy Family Monday 8.40am before Communion Service. All welcome to attend.

NEED EXTRA PRAYER ??

The Prayer Vine is made up of a group of 14 Parishioners who will pray for you or your family, and or friends who need extra prayer. Any request is prayed for. Christian names only are used, so it is confidential.

Please call either Maureen Ph 345 5480 or Barbara Ph 342 5812

THE PRAYER TREE

Details: contact Anne Smith text 021 0488635 with Christian name of person to be prayed for.

JOSEPHITE RETREAT CENTRE

14 Hillside Tce, Whanganui, 06 345 5047, Ext 3 www.marymackillop.org.nz

Community Liturgy Sunday 15th Oct 4-5pm

What Makes a Good Death?

In this workshop we'll explore your concerns about your death, that of your own and loved ones. We will work with Advanced Care Plan resources. This day is suitable for anyone wishing to develop and add finer detail to their own planning. It is not a suitable day for anyone processing grief after a recent death- with Ann Jennison.

Saturday 21st October 9.30am -3.30pm, \$20 *Please bring your lunch.*

Window Stars Workshop

A relaxing pre-festive season morning of creativity and beauty. with Tracey Young

Saturday 4 November, 10am -12pm, \$10

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

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 1.30pm 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

Senior Year 9-13 6.30-8.30pm weekly Sundays St Mary's Hall

Junior Year 7-9 at Cullinane College. Check FB and newsletter for dates and times.

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