



# 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)

## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

20<sup>th</sup> August 2023; Year A / Weekdays Year 1

### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

#### Monday 21st August

9:00am C/S Holy Family

#### Tuesday 22nd August

10:00am Mass Holy Family  
12:05am Mass St Mary's

#### Wednesday 23rd August

11.30am Mass St Anne's  
12.05am Mass St Mary's

#### Thursday 24th August

12.05pm Mass St Mary's

#### Friday 25th August

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

#### Saturday 26th August

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

#### Sunday 27th August

9.30am Mass St Mary's  
12.00pm Mass Rānana  
5.30pm Mass St Anne's

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### August

First Reconciliation Programme  
Held at St Mary's Church

7pm Tues 22 Aug Session 2

#### September

11am Wed 30 Sept

Episcopal Ordination & Installation of  
Fr John Adams  
Held at The Cathedral of the Holy  
Spirit, Palmerston North

**Sunday Readings:** Isa: 56.1,6-7; Rom: 11.13-15, 29-32; Mt: 15:21-28

**Next Week:** Isa: 22.15,19-23; Rom: 11.33-36; Mt: 16:13-20

#### THE ROBERTS' RAMBLE

It happens that this Saturday, 19 August, is the 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary of my ordination the priesthood. My sister and I marvelled at how the years have sped by. Sometimes I wonder what I have managed to achieve in those years. I have learned that it is better to leave that in God's hands. He knows what he has achieved through my efforts. I pray that somewhere, sometimes I have been a help in the pilgrimage others make to their heavenly homeland.

I would do it all over again. It is a wonderfully privileged life to work in the Church as a priest. It has been a privilege to be with you in Wanganui for nigh on 18 years, and 5 in the early 1990's at the then Holy Family Parish. In these years I have been with many of you at important events in your lives. In these moments you have taught me much, even as I hope I have been some help to you.

Much has changed in priestly ministry in these years. I expect there to be more change before "hang up my chalice" and enjoy the "sunset years". We priests have, I believe, grown ever closer to the people among whom we work. The closeness of priests and people has always been a mark of the Church in New Zealand. It becomes very apparent when working in other old Commonwealth countries. And, I believe, we have learned to work together in an increasingly more collaborative and collegial manner.

I'm not sure if I can see into the future. However, I keep dreaming that we should begin to re-build the Church, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. I firmly believe that, as the Popes from Pope St Paul VI have asked, we should become a people who so live that others will see our joy and trust, our zest for life – an holy life – that they will want to meet Christ, that they will want to join us, and become friends with Him and with us.

Despite all the planning, writing books and articles, the discussions and arguments, the Holy Spirit has brought us to this time, so I believe he will lead us into the future if we will but listen, not only to him but to those who love and serve Christ.

Thank you for everything you have done for me. With my prayers, Father John.



The clergy, religious and lay faithful of the Catholic Diocese of Palmerston North welcome you with great joy to

**the Episcopal Ordination and Installation of**

*Rev John Lewis Adams*

as Bishop of the Diocese of Palmerston North

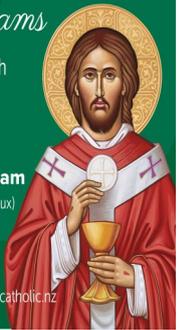
**Cathedral of the Holy Spirit**

197 Broadway Avenue, Palmerston North

**Saturday 30 September 2023 at 11.00am**

(The feast of Saint Jerome and the vigil of Saint Thérèse of Lisieux)

For those unable to be with us in person a live stream of this ordination can be found at [www.facebook.com/centralcatholic.nz](http://www.facebook.com/centralcatholic.nz)



### EPISCOPAL ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF FR JOHN ADAMS | 30 September 2023

at 11am | Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Palmerston North

The clergy, religious, and lay faithful of the Catholic Diocese of Palmerston North welcome you to great joy to the Episcopal Ordination and Installation of Reverend John Lewis Adams as Bishop of the Diocese of Palmerston North. All members of our Catholic community and guests are welcome to attend this joyful occasion for our diocese.

Livestream will be made available for those unable to join in person.

### Died Recently

Thelma McCoy, Jane Van Delden

### Anniversaries

Joan Kane, Olive Symes, Georgina Mahi, Margot Gresham, Margaret Haddock, Ivan Haddock, George Hoskin, Brian Alexander, Lorraine Hartley, Les Foley, Ian Matheson, Doug Ahern, Joyce Rothery, Kim Richardson, Eileen & Michael Hickey, Noeline Haddock

*Eternal Rest Grant to them O Lord*

## JOSEPHITE RETREAT CENTRE

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

[www.marymackillop.org.nz](http://www.marymackillop.org.nz)

### Community Liturgy – The Invitation of Spring

Sunday 20 August, 4 – 5pm

### DVD Evening – Dark Waters

A corporate defense attorney takes on an environmental lawsuit against a chemical company that exposes a lengthy history of pollution.

Wednesday 23 August, 6.30pm, Koha

### Waiata, Kōrero and Karakia

Join us for a morning of learning Te Reo for **Maori Language Week 2023**.

Monday 11 September, 9.30am – 12pm with Maramapai Simon & Lynaire Simon

Enquires, please call Pam on 06 345 5047 ext 3  
Or email [pam.hopper@sosj.org.au](mailto:pam.hopper@sosj.org.au)

**ON SALE** NZ Catholic \$4 

### HOMELESS HUB OUTREACH—

The soup roster for next week is Raewyn Hoskin's Team.

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

**FOODBANK**—Thank you to all those who generously donated to the food baskets in the Church last Sunday. It was very appreciated by Foodbank.



### 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

### DID YOU KNOW?

**ROSARY**—is held every Friday at 11.10am at St Marys Church. . All are most welcome to come and join in.

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL HOLY FAMILY CONFERENCE—

have a Fathers Day Raffle.

Two great prizes.  
Tickets are available before and after each of the Saturday/Sunday Masses over the next four weeks.

\$2 for one ticket or \$5 for three tickets.  
Please support our local Conference and community. "

**CONGRATULATIONS**—to Clive and Joan Sullivan on their 65th wedding anniversary. An amazing milestone. We hope you have a lovely time celebrating with family and friends.

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

Contact Kate Lynch 0272430430 or Helen Dougherty 0274136273.

All very welcome. Coffee provided ☺

### CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME

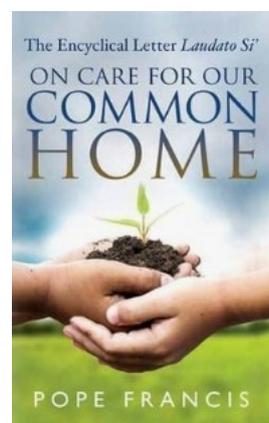
You are invited you to hear and speak with a panel of people sharing on their '*Care for Our Common Home*' in the work they do in the Whanganui locality. The panel is a follow up to 'The Letter' workshop held earlier this year

**Where:** The Josephite Retreat 14 Hillside Tce, Whanganui.

**When:** Sunday 27 August 2pm – 3.30pm ending with 'a cuppa'.

Craig Butler and Liz Hickey

**RSVP:** Liz Hickey rsj  
email: [lizhickey@inspire.net.nz](mailto:lizhickey@inspire.net.nz) or text mobile 021 2080 929 by 25 August



## 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.

### Parish Priest

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### Assistant Priest

Fr John Roberts  
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### Parish Secretary—Office hours:

8:30am-3pm

Jo Boulton

06 345 3872

[info@catholicparishwhanganui.org.nz](mailto:info@catholicparishwhanganui.org.nz)

### RCIA Parish Catechist

Tony Hore  
[thecoot1944@gmail.com](mailto:thecoot1944@gmail.com)

### Parish Care & Concern Network

Contact Parish Office

### Hospital Chaplain

Norma O'Connor  
027 233 4557

### Prison Chaplain

Sean Ryan  
06 349 6887

### St Marcellin School

Principal: Belinda Backwell  
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### St Anne's School

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