



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)



Fourth Sunday of Advent—The Year of St Joseph

20th December 2020; Year B / Weekdays Year 1

MASS TIMES

Sunday Masses—LEVEL 1

Whanganui
5:30pm Vigil ^(Sat) **Holy Family (HF)**
9:30am **St Mary's (SM)**
5:30pm **St Anne's (SA)**

Kaiwhaiki
11:00am (1st Sun)

Hiruhārama (Jerusalem)
Rānana (London)
12:00pm (4th Sun; alternating venue)
Dec Mass is Christmas Eve;
(No Sunday 27 Dec Mass or Jan)

Patea
9:30am (1st, 3rd & 5th Sun)

Waverley
9:30am (2nd & 4th Sun)

Weekday Masses

Mon	9:00am	HF
Tues	10:00am 11:30am	HF SA
Wed	9:30am 5:30pm	Patea SM
Thurs	9:00am 12:05pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 9:30pm	HF SM NO MASS SM Ranana HF

Christmas Day
Fri 9:00am SM
9:30am WAV
10:30am Kaiwhaiki

Sat 9:00am SM

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Wed 6:00pm—7:00pm SM
Fri 9:00am—11:45am SM
(11am—11:45 Fri 4, 11, 18 Dec)
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: 2 Sam: 7.1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Rom: 16.25-27; Lk: 1:26-38
Next Week: Gen: 15.1-6; 17.3b-5, 15-16; 21.1-7; Heb: 11.8, 11-12, 17-19 Lk: 2.22-40

CHRISTMAS CHOIR PRACTISE— There is one practise on Sunday 20 December 7pm at St Mary's Church. Singers and musicians most welcome.

THIS IS THE LAST NEWSLETTER for 2020— the next one will be 24 January 2021 :-)

COLUMBAN CALENDARS are all **sold out**
They are still available at Pleroma
www.christiansupplies.co.nz

HOSPITALITY after 9:30am Sunday Mass resumes Sun Feb 7 2021—Thank you to all who have helped during 2020.

Christmas Blessings to You All



As we prepare to celebrate our Lord's Nativity in a week's time, I wish to sincerely thank those in our Parishes who have generously given of their energy and talents over 2020. I have been just amazed how many parishioners actively give of themselves in service of others. I would like to thank you all by name, but I firstly fear I might miss someone out and secondly, that I'd end up publishing the parish roll and be in breach of the Privacy Act! :-). Thank you everyone for all your efforts in making our Parish a wonderful faith filled Catholic community situated on the Whanganui River. It has been my great pleasure and privilege to serve as your parish priest for this year.

This year has seen us all having to live, work and pray in different ways as we have navigated our way through a global pandemic. However, we have done really well so far and I'm especially grateful that we will be able to celebrate Christmas without any restrictions on numbers able to attend Masses as we had to do under level 2. Let's also remember the many countries around the world where Christmas celebrations and Christians will not have the freedoms we have due to Covid-19.

Both Fr John and I wish you all a most enjoyable and relaxing Christmas and holiday season with friends and family. May the Lord, whose birth we honour, keep you all safe in his care.

God love,
Fr Vaughan.



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2020

Thursday 24 December—Christmas Eve
St Mary's 7:00pm (Vigil) Carols from 6:30pm
Ranana 7:00pm (Vigil)
Holy Family 9:30pm (Vigil) Carols from 9:00pm

Friday 25 December—Christmas Day
St Mary's 9:00am
Kaiwhaiki 10:30am
Waverley 9:30am

SUNDAY AND WEEKDAY HOLIDAY MASS TIMES

Weekday Mass (Mon-Sat)
St Mary's 9:00am
(Sat 26 Dec— Sat 30 Jan)
One daily Mass for the city at our central location

Sunday Mass (as normal)
Hospitality after the St Mary's 9:30am Sunday Mass, last Sunday is 20 Dec, recommencing Feb 2021—Happy holidays

Please Note:

Kaiwhaiki 11:00am begins 1st Sun of the month 7 Feb 2021
Hiruharama 12pm Noon begins 4th Sun of the Month 28 Feb 2021, thereafter alternation with Ranana

The Parish Office will be closed after Monday 3:00pm, 21 December until Monday 8:30am, 18 January 2021

Died Recently

Raymonde Kears, Patricia O'Donnell, Avis Jacques, Pauline Southee & Kevin Downie

Anniversaries

Eileen Hoskin, Moira McGifford, Maurice O'Connell, John Bourke, Caroline Bourke, Kevin Ganderton & Tom Manson

Requiescant in Pace

JOSEPHITE RETREAT CENTRE

14 Hillside Tce, Whanganui, 06 345 5047, Ex3

pam.hopper@sosj.org.au, www.ssj.org.nz

Meri Kirihimete – Christmas Liturgy

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

Sunday 20 December, 4 – 5pm.

To register please call Pam on 06 345 047 ext 3

or email pam.hopper@sosj.org.au

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT—Please note that after Christmas Adoration will commence again beginning Feb 2021. COME AND PRAY WITH CHRIST.

PROLIFE FACTS Voice for Life 09 443 0995 or www.voiceforlife.org.nz. See notice board.

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NEW PARISH WEBSITE

Come and have a look around; same address but new platform

www.catholicparishwhanganui.org.nz

REFLECT CHRISTMAS AT MAJESTIC

SQUARE—5:00 - 7:30pm, Saturday 19

December. A relaxing time of music, ecumenical fellowship, and if you're keen, a picnic dinner with friends and family.

FOUND—gold bracelet. See office for details.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES FEB 2021 ONWARDS

After the consultation we have just undergone, the Weekday Mass timetable for 2021, beginning February, will be:

Mon 9:00am HF

Tue 10:00am HF & 11:30am SA

Wed 5:30pm SM

Thurs 12:05pm SM

Fri 10:10am Cullinane & 12:05 SM

Sat 9:30am SA

Thank you for your understanding on this matter and may we all rejoice in the fact that we are fortunate enough as a Parish to have Mass provided each day.

PARISH PICNIC 2021—Advanced Notice

Mark the date on your calendar: Sunday 14 Feb 2021. This will be held on the grounds around St Anne's Church, at 12:30pm with a shared BBQ lunch (parish supplying bread, sausages and onions) with parishioners invited to bring a salad and dessert to share—Picnic Games for young and old from 11:30am. To volunteer to assist with this event please contact the Parish Office as help is needed with the BBQ and equipment, etc.

BAPTISMS IN OUR PARISH—Congratulations to Kyron Howley and his family. Kyron was baptised at St Mary's on Saturday 12 December.

Congratulations to Dulcie Elms and her family. Dulcie was baptised at St Anne's on Sunday 13 December.

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, 5pm. 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 rsj. All welcome to attend.

HOLY FAMILY CRAFT GROUP

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

FOCOLARE

Contact: [facebook.com/Focolare Aotearoa NZ](https://www.facebook.com/FocolareAotearoaNZ)
web: www.focolare.org/en

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. For more information contact Lake Falconer 344 4170

LADIES COFFEE CLUB

Meets Wednesdays 10am at The Rutland. All welcome

MAINLY MUSIC

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

CLC (CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY)

Meet every Monday at 1.00pm. Phone Mike 3438031. All welcome.

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