



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-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

24th September 2023; Year A / Weekdays Year 1

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday 25th September

9:00am C/S Holy Family
7:00pm Confirmation Session 3
St Marys Hall

Tuesday 26th September

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

Wednesday 27th September

12:05am Mass St Mary's

Thursday 28th September

12:05pm Mass St Mary's

Friday 29th September

11:20am Rite I St Mary's
12:05pm Mass St Mary's

Saturday 30th September

9:30am No Mass St Anne's
11:00am Episcopal Ordination &
Installation of Bishop Elect
John Adams
5:30pm Sunday Vigil Mass
Holy Family

Sunday 1st October

9:30am Mass St Mary's
11:00pm Mass Kaiwhaiki
5:30pm Mass St Anne's

UPCOMING EVENTS

October

9-13 Oct National Assembly of
Priests
17 Oct First Communion Session1
7pm St Marys Church
29 Oct Confirmation Mass
9.30am St Marys Church

November

12 Nov First Communion Mass
9.30am St Marys Church

Sunday Readings: Isa: 55.6-9; Phil: 1.20-24,27; Mt: 20: 1-16

Next Week: Eze: 18.25-28; Phil: 2.1-11; Mt: 21: 28-32

Welcome to our new Bishop



On Saturday this week we will break a four-year drought of not having a diocesan Bishop.

This drought should not have lasted as long as it did, as being without a leader has not been easy for anyone. I can say this both from personal experience, having to carry two full time jobs for two and a half years and from the perspective of being a parish priest in two busy parish communities. The drought has broken Alleluia! On Friday this week Fr John Adams, a priest from the diocese of Christchurch, will be formally welcomed into our diocese and then ordained bishop of Palmerston North, on Saturday morning.

Our home will now be his home and at some time in the near future, we will welcome him to our corner of paradise, here in Whanganui.

Some of us will be present in Palmerston for the Mass on Saturday to witness this significant moment in the life of our church.

Please pray (at meal times) with your family that John will be a good and holy bishop who, like Christ, will care for his people.

If you cannot attend, you are invited to watch the ceremony via livestream at the following address:

<https://www.facebook.com/centralcatholic.nz>

If you don't have access to a computer, we will be Livestreaming the Mass here at St Mary's on Saturday at 11.00am in the foyer. Everyone is welcome.

Weekday Masses

As from the week beginning the 16th of October the new weekday schedule will be:

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.



St Marcellin's Concert

During the week, children from St Marcellin's school entertained parents and grandparents with a Samoan Concert. It was a wonderful occasion, with the children singing and dancing and telling stories in song. One particularly memorable moment was when one younger sibling attached herself to her older sister in the middle of an item. The older sister, who was probably only about 8 or 9 herself, handled the situation beautifully continuing to dance on the spot while the rest of her classmates danced all around them. You had to be there! Congratulations to all the staff and students and families who worked hard to create a wonderful and memorable evening.

Died Recently

Merle Manson, Ray Osborne, Rie Dekker,
Stephen McNally, Pinanti Sivatia, Janet Kazcon,
Enid Girven, David McEwen, Margaret Bonisch

Anniversaries

Margot Gresham, Anthony Wilson, William La
Pouple, Stuart Tasker, Colin Tasker, Joan & Anita
Boyle, Tony Wilson, Patricia Moriarty,
Anne Connors, Mollie Griffin,
Akilso & Saeko Nakamura, Gary Leslie

Eternal Rest Grant to them O Lord

JOSEPHITE RETREAT CENTRE

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

www.marymackillop.org.nz

Quiet Day for the Creative Soul


The last reflective Monday left to explore, nourish and enjoy your creativity within this peaceful environment. Topics include Mandalas, Drawing, Painting, Book/Journal making, Collage, Crafts etc. *BYO Lunch and basic art supplies.*

with Tracey Young and Friends
Monday 2 October, 10am – 2.30pm, Koha

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. Sat 21 Oct, 9.30am-3.30pm, \$20
Please bring your lunch.

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

ON SALE NZ Catholic \$4 

HOMELESS HUB OUTREACH—

The soup roster for next week is Jo Smillie's Team.

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

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

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

NO YOUTH GROUP—24th, 2nd or 8th of October. It's school holidays!! Enjoy your break and see you all on the 15th of October!

CONFIRMATION will continue through the school holidays. Session Two is on Monday 25th Sept 7-8.30pm; it's not too late to register!!!

Mother Suzanne Aubert: Next Sunday, the 1st October, the Church in New Zealand will celebrate the life of Venerable Meri Hōhepa, Mother Suzanne Aubert by remembering her life, spirituality and good works. While we wait and pray for Meri Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert to be beatified, we continue to unite to promote her message of compassion and love throughout Aotearoa New Zealand and the world.

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

GENERAL ELECTION VOTING

From the 2nd-14th October the General Election voting will be held in St Mary's Hall.



Support Life Sunday 2023 – A Consistent Ethic of Life | 7-8 October 2023

Each year, the Catholic Church in Aotearoa NZ celebrates Support Life Sunday. This year, the Bishops' chosen focus is **The Consistent Ethic of Life**. The resources for parishes can be found at <https://www.catholic.org.nz/resources/sls23/>.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS STARTS THIS SUNDAY.

Don't forget to put your clocks forward.

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 8.40am before Communion Service. All welcome to attend.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION—Thursday morning

7-8am at St Mary's Church.
Contact Kate Lynch 0272430430 or Helen Dougherty 0274136273.

All very welcome. Coffee provided ☺

Episcopal Ordination & Installation of Fr John Adams

| 30 September 2023 at 11am | Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Palmerston North

To stay updated on all the important details for this exciting occasion, you can follow diocesan social media platforms: centralcatholic.nz on Facebook, [@centralcatholic.nz](https://www.instagram.com/centralcatholicnz) on Instagram, [Diocese of Palmerston North](https://www.youtube.com/diocesepalmerstonnorth) on YouTube and check out the website www.pndiocese.org.nz

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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