



# 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)

## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

29th October 2023; Year A / Weekdays Year I

### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

#### Monday 30th October

9:00am C/S Holy Family

#### Tuesday 31st October

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

#### Wednesday 1st November

12.05pm Mass St Mary's

#### Thursday 2nd November

9.00am Mass St Anne's  
12.05pm **No Mass St Mary's**  
**7.00pm All Souls Memorial Mass**  
**St Marys**

#### Friday 3rd November

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

#### Saturday 4th November

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

#### Sunday 5th November

9.30am Mass St Mary's  
11.00am Mass Kaiwhaiki  
5.30pm Mass St Anne's

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### October

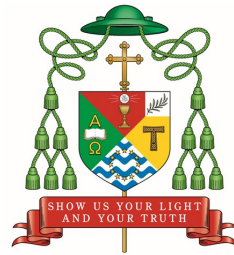
31 Oct First Communion Session 3  
7pm St Marys Church

#### November

12 Nov First Communion Mass  
9.30am St Marys Church

**Sunday Readings:** Ex: 22.21-27; 1 Thess 1.5c-10, 19-20; Mt: 22: 34-40

**Next Week:** Mal: 1.14-2, 8-10; 1 Thess 2.7-9,13; Mt: 23: 1-12



**Parish Update** Today, we offer a very warm welcome to our new bishop, John Adams. Please take this opportunity to greet him in person and welcome him to his new home. Whanganui is just as much his

home as Palmy, where he will be based. At the time we made a decision to just have one Mass to Welcome Bishop John, we were not aware it would be at the same time as the Rugby World Cup final. My apology for this clash. I know it's almost unforgivable: (

More seriously, a scammer has stolen my contact details and is pretending to be me. This nefarious person is contacting parishioners, asking for help from me, by name, in the form of gift cards. Scammers are becoming more and more convincing and unfortunately, at least one person has been scammed (that I know of). I immediately contacted the police and my service provider - neither of whom can do very much. My concern is that this person or persons will keep trying using this or a similar process and good people will be hurt. If you received an unusual text (or email) from someone you think may be pretending to be me, please let me know so I can add it to the police report. I hate to think others have been scammed but have not said anything. Please let me know. If you have been scammed, it's important that you contact the police yourself because what these scammers are doing is criminal and it's theft. If you receive a text/email which seems strange, always check the phone number (or email address). If it is a scam, the details will be slightly different. This will give you a clue whether it is a genuine text or email. If in doubt, please do not respond to the text but delete it. Lastly, if I ever ask you for anything, it will always be in person or by phone.

This Thursday is All Souls Day, and we will celebrate a Memorial Mass for everyone who has died, here in Whanganui over the past 12 months. If you would like your loved one to be prayed for by name at this Mass, please let Jo in the office know and bring a photo along for the sanctuary. If you have lost a loved one who died elsewhere, please do the same and we will acknowledge them and pray for them too. **Please note, this Mass is at**

**7.00pm and will replace the usual 12.05pm Mass**

Lastly, our children and their parents are continuing preparation for their First Communion. We are blessed with an enthusiastic group of children who are enjoying the programme and looking forward to their big day. Please pray that they will develop a hunger for Christ which will stay with them all the days of their lives. Fr Craig

### Joint Anglican-Catholic Bishops' statement on Palestine

The Anglican and Catholic Bishops of Aotearoa New Zealand, meeting together in Wellington this week, have jointly issued a statement expressing their horror at the latest acts of violence in the Holy Land and joining international voices in calling for an immediate ceasefire.

A copy of the statement is attached.

Their joint statement is online here in PDF format:

<https://www.catholic.org.nz/assets/Joint-Anglican-Catholic-Bishops-Statement-on-Gaza.pdf>

### NEW PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS—

our email address has now changed to [admin@cpow.co.nz](mailto:admin@cpow.co.nz) which is a lot more simpler to use!!

Please update.

**PLEASE NOTE: The office will be closed Friday 3rd November**

### Died Recently

David McEwen, Margaret Bonisch, Marjory Hawes, Margaret Connors, Raymond Davidson, Patrick & June Todd, Joyce Cummings, John Roache

### 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*

**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 summer roster for next week is Marie Pye's Team.

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

**NEW BISHOP APPOINTMENT**— Pope Francis has tonight appointed Father Richard Laurenson from the Diocese of Hamilton as the new Catholic Bishop of Hamilton. The appointment was announced in Rome at 11pm New Zealand time tonight, Wednesday 25 October. Bishop-elect Laurenson, the parish priest at All Saints by the Sea, Papamoa Coast, replaces Bishop Stephen Lowe, who left the diocese when he was appointed Bishop of Auckland in December 2021. It means all six New Zealand dioceses now have a bishop, following the recent ordination and installation of Bishop John Adams as Bishop of Palmerston North.

A statement about the appointment is attached.

The statement is also online here: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/bishoprl/>

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### 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](mailto:youth.cpow@gmail.com)



### 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

### 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.

### World Day of the Poor | 19 November 2023

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](http://www.caritas.org.nz/world-day-of-the-poor)

## 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.

### JOSEPHITE RETREAT CENTRE

14 Hillside Tce, Whanganui, 06 345 5047, Ext 3 [www.marymackillop.org.nz](http://www.marymackillop.org.nz)

### Window Stars Workshop

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

with Tracey Young  
Saturday 4 November, 10am -12pm, \$10

### Nurturing Self-Care Day

Enjoy and experience a day of self-care and nurturing your mind body and soul. We indulge with a foot spa, self-massage, aromatherapy, tips to relax, healing, nutrition and more.

with Sandra Brunner  
Saturday 11 November, 10am – 3pm, \$20  
*Please bring something to share for lunch.*

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

**RCIA**—If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or know someone who is, please contact Tony Hore 0273425516. This is an opportunity to ask any questions and to find out about the process of exploring the Catholic faith.

**Lyric Singers**— Sat 11 Nov at 2pm at Christ Church, Wicksteed St. Admission \$20 Children Free.

**ALL SOULS DAY MEMORIAL MASS**— Thursday 2nd November at 7pm. Everyone is most welcome. If you are able to help out with a cup of tea afterwards we would be most grateful. Please let Jo in the office know if you are able.

### 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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### St Anne's School

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[www.stannes.school.nz](http://www.stannes.school.nz)



### Cullinane College

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### RCIA Parish Catechist

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### Parish Care & Concern Network

Contact Parish Office

### Hospital Chaplain

Norma O'Connor  
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### Prison Chaplain

Sean Ryan  
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