



# 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)

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

30<sup>th</sup> July 2023; Year A / Weekdays Year 1

### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

#### Monday 31st July

9:00am C/S Holy Family

#### Tuesday 1 August

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

#### Wednesday 2nd August

10:00am Mass St Anne's  
12:05am Mass St Mary's

#### Thursday 3rd August

12:05pm Mass St Mary's

#### Friday 4th August

10:00am Mass Cullinane  
11:20am Rite I St Mary's  
12:05pm Mass St Mary's

#### Saturday 5th August

9:00am Rite I St Anne's  
9:30am Mass St Anne's  
5:30pm Sunday Vigil Mass  
Holy Family

#### Sunday 6th August

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

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### August

First Reconciliation Programme  
Held at St Mary's Church

Tues 15th Aug

Tues 22 Aug

Tues 29 Aug

Tues 5th Sept

Thurs 7th Sept Sacrament of  
Reconciliation

(Times yet to be confirmed)

**Sunday Readings:** 1 Kings: 3.5-12, ; Rom: 8.28-30; Mt: 13:44-52

**Next Week:** Isa:55.1-3; Rom: 8.35, 37-39; Mt: 14:13-21

### THE ROBERTS' RAMBLE

Every now and again I read something that startles me and make me think through familiar things. On Tuesday morning I read of a Herzegovinian marriage practice. I thought I would share it with you in the hope it would deepen our appreciation of the sacramental love of married couples.

When a young couple first talk with their priest about their desire to marry he begins by saying; "You have found your cross. It is a cross to love, carry it with you, a cross that is not to carry away but to treasure." The cross represents the greatest love and the crucifix is the treasure of the house. When they enter the Church on their wedding day they carry a crucifix with them. When they exchange their vows the bride puts her right hand on the crucifix and the groom places his hand on hers, so that both hands are joined together on the crucifix. Then instead of kissing each other, they kiss the crucifix. Those standing by realise that if one leaves the other, he or she is leaving Christ on the Cross.

When they enter their house the first thing they do is to place the crucifix in a place of honour. It becomes the place of family prayer. When there are difficulties the first place they go is to pray at the crucifix seeking Christ's help. They may cry, open their hearts to each, offer each other forgiveness and go to bed in peace.

When I read this I realised that the people there understood deeply how married couples represent Christ's indomitable, unbreakable, eternal love. They seek to live it through thick and thin. And on the way to bed every night each member of the family kiss the crucifix as a sign of faith.

It struck me as a wonderful way to learn live and love as does Christ.

With my prayers, for you all, Father John.

**THANKS**—Every week unsung heroes keep the Church and parish in working order. Our sacristans prepare everything for Mass and tidy up afterwards, the linen is beautifully washed and starched, flowers arranged, music is prepared, accidental spills are wiped up, churches are locked and unlocked, and so on and on. Thank you to these wonderfully committed people. We are all very grateful.



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

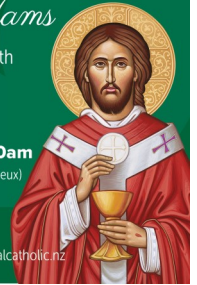
**Cathedral of the Holy Spirit**

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

Anne Butler, Josie Guthrie, Prudence Haddock, Barry Nichols (Auckland), Phil Wilkinson, Richard Lawrence, John Haami

### Anniversaries

Marion O'Neill, Thelma Campbell, Marie Laskey, Michael Coleman, Barbara Griffin, Marion Dorgan, Trevor Connors, Gail Stewart, Annemarie Connors, Annie Haddock, Margaret Gallen, Maurice Crowley, William Bayly, Teresa Crowley, Shaun Crowley, Fr Bill Corcoran, Rosina Gallagher, Lois Dougherty, Patricia Tasker, Margaret Haddock, Ivan Haddock, George Hoskin

*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)

### Winter Wonderfest Film – Wit

A strong woman who never lets down her defences discovers a fine line between life and death that can only be walked with wit.  
Tuesday 1 August, 2 – 4.30pm, Koha with Marie Skidmore rsj

### Quiet Day for the Creative Soul

Two reflective Mondays 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 7 Aug, 10am – 2.30pm, Koha

### Winter Wonderfest Film – Hidden Figures

The women who worked very competently and successfully at NASA, and the racist way that organisation treated them at the time. Tuesday 8 Aug, 2 – 4.45pm, Koha with Marie Skidmore rsj

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 **NZCatholic**

### HOMELESS HUB OUTREACH—

The soup roster for next week is Maureen Downs Team.

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



### 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

### NEXT YOUTH GROUP SUNDAY 6TH AUGUST

#### Part-Time Cleaner Sisters of Saint Joseph Whanganui -Max 15 hours per week

The Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart are looking for a Part-Time Cleaner for Mount St Joseph including the Josephite Retreat Centre, accommodation areas and the Archives.

We need someone who is interested in working part-time hours, which could be arranged flexibly, but must accommodate the needs of the retreat centre and accommodation areas. Remuneration will be the living wage. Initially this role will be for a one-year term with a review at the end of the term. If you are interested in this role, please email [prue.klinkert@sosj.org.au](mailto:prue.klinkert@sosj.org.au) including a CV or a brief summary of your work experience by 08<sup>th</sup> August 2023.

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

Contact Kate Lynch 0272430430 or Helen Dougherty 0274136273.

All very welcome. Coffee provided ☺

### COMMUNITY EVENINGS | UNDERSTANDING AND RECOGNISING PTSD | AUGUST 2023

The cyclone caused immense physical and psychological harm to people we love and care about. During the recovery phase, it is important that all members of our communities have the latest and most up-to-date information about identifying and managing the effects that we will see or may be seeing of trauma and PTSD. Community Evenings with Michael Hempseed are being held in Waipukurau, Hastings and Napier in August. No RSVP required. More information available at: <https://pndiocese.org.nz/communityevenings>

### SUNDAY 30 JULY - DAY OF PRAYER TO END TRAFFICKING AND SLAVERY

Resources from the National Liturgy Office are here: [www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/day-of-prayer-to-end-trafficking-and-slavery/](http://www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/day-of-prayer-to-end-trafficking-and-slavery/)

**HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK**—Please ensure that Father John or the Office are aware of requests to receive Holy Communion at home. This will ensure that we know who is taking and who is receiving. We strive to have those taking Communion working in an area instead of driving all over town. Thank you.

## 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 4pm 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

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#### Parish Secretary—Office hours:

8:30am-3pm  
Jo Boulton  
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#### RCIA Parish Catechist

Tony Hore  
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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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#### St Marcellin School

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#### St Anne's School

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