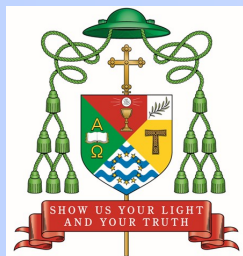


# Catholic Parish of Whanganui

Te Pārihi Katorika ki Whanganui (2015)  
Diocese of Palmerston North, New Zealand



**ST MARY'S CHURCH**  
1 Campbell Street

**ST ANNE'S CHURCH**  
47 Raine Street

**NGAKAU TAPU (Sacred Heart)**  
4491 Whanganui River Road  
Rānana (London)

**HOLY FAMILY CHURCH**  
22 Tawhero Street

**TE RONGO O TE POI**  
(Beat of the Poi to the Gospel)  
584 Kaiwhaiki Road  
Kaiwhaiki Marae

**HATO HŌHEPA (St Joseph's)**  
600 Whanganui River Road  
Hiruhārama (Jerusalem)



## Third Sunday of Lent

3rd March 2024; Year B / Weekdays Year 2

### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

#### Monday 4th March

9.00am C/S Holy Family

#### Tuesday 5th March

9.30am Mass Holy Family

12.05am Mass St Marys

**6.00pm Reconciliation Preparation  
Session 3 St Marys**

#### Wednesday 6th March

12.05pm Mass St Mary's

#### Thursday 7th March

9.30am C/S St Annes

12.05pm Mass St Mary's

#### Friday 8th March

10.00am C/S St Josephs Chapel

11.20am Rite I St Mary's

12.05pm Mass St Mary's

**5.30pm Stations of the Cross  
St Marys**

#### Saturday 9th March

9.00am Rite I St Anne's

9.30am Mass St Anne's

5.30pm Mass Vigil Mass  
Holy Family

#### Sunday 10th March

9.30am Children's Mass  
St Mary's

5.30pm Mass St Anne's

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday Readings:** Exo : 20.1-3, 7-8, 12-17; 1 Cor: 1.18, 22-25; Jn: 2.13-25

**Next Week:** 2 Chron : 36.14-17a, 19-23; 1 Eph: 2.4-10; Jn: 3.14-21

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

This Lent, I encourage you to join our parish in making a pilgrimage around our Stations, *outside* St Mary's church each Friday evening at 5.30pm. Please gather by the front entrance of the church. If it is wet, we will pray inside the church.



**WEAR STURDY, NON SLIP SHOES!!!**

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION**—An opportunity to better understand the Scriptures throughout Lent. Join us each Thursday morning (7-8am) for Scripture Reflection and lively discussion 😊 St Mary's church. All welcome. Coffee provided  
Contact Kate Lynch 027 2430430 or Helen Dougherty 027 4136273

**FIRST RECONCILIATION** —The third session is on **Tuesday 5th March at 6.00pm** at St Marys Church. If your child has been baptised you can register for this sacrament by emailing the office or picking up a registration form. Or download here: [2024 Enrolment First Reconciliation Holy Communion Registration email.pdf](#)

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

### REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR OUR PARISH CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2024

If you are year 11 at school and over and have been baptised this is for you. The Sacrament of Confirmation is a continuation of the graces you receive at Baptism. When you receive the Sacrament you are sealed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

**How to register:** Please pick up a form from the Parish office, from Rain at Cullinane College, or email [admin@cpow.co.nz](mailto:admin@cpow.co.nz) to be sent a copy. This needs to be returned to the Parish office or emailed back.

**Dates:** The sessions are held weekly from Monday the 6th of May 7-8.30pm  
The Confirmation Programme includes a weekend camp, this is being held from the 7th-9th of June at Vertical Horizon Camp in Inglewood.  
Confirmation Mass will be 9.30am on Sunday the 23rd of June and will be celebrated by our Bishop. You can expect fun games and activities,

learning about Confirmation and your faith, meeting lots of people and making new friends. Honestly you won't regret signing up!

**LENT**—This year, Pope Francis has chosen the Book of Exodus as the focal point for his Lenten message. Find resources for your reflection for your reflection at <https://tumanako.pndiocese.org.nz/2024/02/through-the-desert-god-leads-us-to-freedom-lent-2024/> Lent 2024 is now upon us and resources have been sent to parishes, communities, and chaplaincies throughout Aotearoa. These resources include information on the overseas work with partners serving the needs of the most poor and vulnerable. <https://www.caritas.org.nz/lent-resources>

### 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)

**HOMELESS HUB OUTREACH**—The summer roster for next week is the Jo Smilie's Team.

Further information contact Maureen 027 491 2168 or Pat 027 491 9637 cuppa

### VIDEO OF THE NZ EXPERIENCES OF THE SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

The recording of the Zoom session by Bishop Paul Martin, Fr Dennis Nacorda and Manuel Beazley on their experiences of the Synod in Rome last October can be found on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watchv=COKdE6mlojU>.

### Died Recently

Bernie Gudsell, Bev Sandlant, Virginia Aroha Hina

### Anniversaries

Alan Cameron, Priscilla Mitchell, Dionisia Secretaria, Josephine Boland

*Eternal Rest Grant to them O Lord*