



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)

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

5th November 2023; Year A / Weekdays Year 1

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday 6th November

9:00am C/S Holy Family

Tuesday 7th November

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

Wednesday 8th November

12.05pm Mass St Mary's

Thursday 9th November

9.00am Mass St Anne's
12.05pm Mass St Mary's

Friday 10th November

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

Saturday 1st November

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

Sunday 12th November

9.30am First Communion Mass
St Mary's
5.30pm Mass St Anne's

UPCOMING EVENTS

November

7 Nov First Communion Session 4
7pm St Mary's Church

Sunday Readings: Mal: 1.14-2, 8-10; 1 Thess 2.7-9,13; Mt: 23: 1-12

Next Week: Wis: 6.12-16; 1 Thess 4.13-18; Mt: 25: 1-13



ROBERTS' RAMBLE

A couple of weekends ago the bishops in New Zealand gathered in our Cathedral to ordain John Adams our bishop. It was a great and wonderful event, long awaited.

The gathering of bishops, priests of the diocese, visiting priests and many of the people of the diocese gathered together around that Altar signified in visible form the Church of Palmerston North, our diocese.

Last Sunday we gathered with our bishop, the priests concelebrating, the readers, musicians and members of the parish around the Altar in S Mary's Church. Once again the Church in the Diocese was made manifest.

The early Fathers of the Church often spoke about the one gathering, bishop, priests, the array of ministers and all the people, for the Sunday Eucharist on the Lord's Day. They remind us that when we gather we are a living sign of Christ's holy Church. Each of us, by virtue of our baptism and confirmation belong; the "house of the Church" is the place where the Church in Wanganui gathers Sunday by Sunday.

This week we have reminded ourselves that the Church is not limited to what is visible on earth, rather it includes the saints in heaven, the choirs of archangels and angels and our beloved dead. We rejoiced with those in heaven as we celebrated the holy Mysteries on All Saints Day; we prayed for our dear dead on Thursday as we remembered the holy souls.

You and I, severally and individually, are those fortunate to reveal our Lord Jesus Christ to the people of our city and surrounds. On Sunday our silent witness to the people of the city is apparent as we drive or walk to Mass and return to our homes, often after a cuppa together.

Day by day we are seen as individuals cheerfully about our work, managing our families and affairs, being loyal relatives and friends, caring for each other in the crises and challenges of life.

We are very privileged to undertake this task given us by our heavenly Father, imitating Christ his dear Son, and animated by the Holy Spirit.

May you enjoy a blessed week. Father John.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Next Sunday, more than 20 very excited children will receive their First Holy Communion. This is a major step in their faith journey as they continue to become full members of our church. I encourage you to pray for them this week as they complete their preparations. I also encourage you to be there on Sunday to rejoice with them and celebrate God's love for them in the Body and Blood of Jesus and our love as fellow pilgrims. As you may remember, the party after Mass is a significant part of the celebration. Please bring a plate filled with food to share and stay after Mass. Lastly, please go out of your way to meet them at the after match function and make them know how much they are wanted and loved by us - their faith family. Fr Craig



Everything gets better with love.

Let love motivate everything
you say and do today,
filling those you serve
with the love of
God

Died Recently

Patrick & June Todd, Joyce Cummings, John Roache, Yuko Irving, Christopher Kendall,

Anniversaries

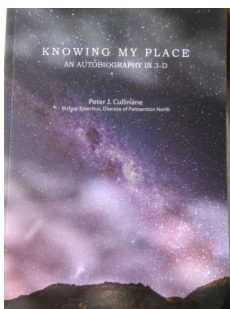
Augustus Hoefflich, Blair Gleeson

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



FOR SALE—copies of Emeritus Bishop Peter Cullinane's engagingly insightful autobiography, called **Knowing my Place** at \$20 each. Please phone Sue Seconi on landline 3437384 to buy one.

Invitation to the Priest Jubilee Mass – Tuesday 28 November 2023

All parishioners are warmly invited to the Mass to celebrate the **Jubilees of Priestly Ordination**. The Jubilee Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 28 November 2023 at 12.05 pm in the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit. The presider will be Bishop John Adams. The priest celebrating Jubilees this year is Fr. Chris Martin (40 years).

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



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**

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

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

JOSEPHITE RETREAT CENTRE

14 Hillside Tce, Whanganui, 06 345 5047, Ext 3
www.marymackillop.org.nz

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 Sat 11 Nov, 10am-3pm, \$20
Please bring something to share for lunch.

Tui Motu Group

Where articles from the current Tui Motu magazine are explored and discussed.
Wed 15 Nov, 4 -5.15pm with Liz Hickey rsj

Creative Card Making

Suitable for beginners and regular crafters alike.
Saturday 18 Nov, 10am -12.30pm or 1.30-3.30pm, \$10 with Julia Martin *Bookings essential*

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

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

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE—The Holy Family Conference of St Vincent de Paul Wanganui will be selling its Christmas Raffle before and after every Mass on the following dates:- Sat 11/Sun 12 Nov Sat 18/Sun 19 Nov Sat 25/Sun 26 Nov Sat 2/ Sun 3 Dec Tickets :-\$2 each or \$5 for 3 tickets
Raffle drawn on Monday 4 Dec.
Results will be in the Newsletter 9/10 Dec.
There are some great prizes as usual.

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.

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