

ROSTERS for April 2011

| Ministry | Whangamata | Waihi Beach | Waihi |
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| Sunday 3 April – Fourth Sunday in Lent (Purple) | | | |
| Servers | Betty Dittmer | Minister of the Day | Servers: Sarah & Teagan Projector: Matthew & Jack |
| Readers | Cynthia Gavey | Bev Mulhern & M Rimmer | Irene & John Anderson |
| Eucharist | Tony Schomaker Kath Daly | John and Therse Van Loon Denise McConnon | Anne Guzzo, Greg, Linda Fri 1 st : Colleen McHardy Fri. 8 th : Anne Guzzo |
| Presenter | Pauline Hughes | Therse Van Loon | Sarah Boggiss |
| Greeter | Minister of the Day | Brian Mullan | Jill James |
| Cleaner | | | Terri Webb, Margaret Holden |
| Sunday 10 April - Fifth Sunday in Lent (Purple) | | | |
| Servers | Claire Avey | Minister of the Day | Servers: Will & Thomas Projector: Korrina & Jamie |
| Readers | Patricia Byrne | Sue Hope & Shaun O'Leary | Mike McHardy, Glenda Rush |
| Eucharist | Don Waylen Inge Forster | Ken and Glenis Burgess Maureen Goodwin | Julie, Ron, Angela Fri 15 th : Des Mulhern |
| Presenter | Chris O'Connell | Glenis Burgess | Kathleen Hennah |
| Greeter | Minister of the Day | Marie Richard | Emma Hughes |
| Cleaner | | | Diane & Ron Pratt |
| Sunday 17 April – Passion Sunday (Red) | | | |
| Servers | Betty Dittmer | Minister of the Day | Servers: Meico & Jack Projector: Mikayla & Victoria |
| Readers | Pauline Hughes | Lyn & Rob Hill | Phillipa & Kelly Ellard |
| Eucharist | Clare Avey Mick Kennedy | Sarah Giles, Willie Lynch & Barbara Richards | Colleen, Mike, Lois Fri 22 nd : Colleen McHardy |
| Presenter | Brian Wilson | Willie Lynch | Talia Steiner |
| Greeter | Minister of the Day | Mary Graham | Marion Harris |
| Cleaner | | | Diane Spiers, Lynn Hale |
| Sunday 24 April - Easter Sunday (White) | | | |
| Servers | See Notice board | Minister of the Day | |
| Readers | | Betty & John Henderson | Angela Pascoe, Margaret Holden |
| Eucharist | | Trish Metcalfe, Mary Graham & Rob Hill | Anne Kennett, John Murphy, Diane Spiers Fri 29 th : Lois Watkins |
| Presenter | | Mary Graham | Lynn Hale |
| Greeter | Minister of the Day | Glennis Burgess | Julie Pachnatz |
| Cleaner | | | Sarah & Roger Giles |



Parish Newsletter

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Third Sunday of Lent – 27 March, 2011

Dear parishioners of St. Joseph's, St. Patrick's, Stella Maris and all visitors,

There are some great sermons recorded in the New Testament.

One of the shortest and most effective is in the first chapter of St John's Gospel ... five words only. It's James's sermon to his brother Peter. "We have found the Messiah." Peter responded to what proved to be a power packed message. It changed him completely and ultimately changed the world.

The Book of Acts tells us about one of the longest homilies preached in apostolic times. Paul and Luke were in Troas where they celebrated a Sunday Vigil Mass with the people. "Paul talked with them, intending to depart on the morrow; and he prolonged his speech until midnight." Luke tells us that there were many lights in the upper chamber where that Eucharist was held. Young Eutyches was sitting in the window and as Paul preached on and on he fell into a deep sleep. Fast asleep, he toppled backwards out the window down three storeys to the ground where he died on impact. "But Paul went down and bent over him and embracing him said, 'Do not be alarmed for his life is in him.' They all returned to that upper room. Paul continued with the Mass and Luke then says, "He conversed with them a long while, until daybreak, and so departed." He then concludes somewhat nonchalantly. "And they took the lad away alive, and were not a little comforted." (Acts 20: 7-12)

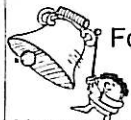
There is power in the preached word of God. There is power to change hearts. Peter's sermon on Pentecost Day was like that. The crowd responded to Peter's sermon. "Brethren what should we do?" And Peter said, "Repent, and be baptised everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ..." Luke then says, "So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls." (Acts 2: 14-41)

There is power in the preached word for the working of miracles. Mark writes about his in regard to the Apostles in the last verse of his Gospel. "And they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that attended it." (Mark 16: 20)

Am I receiving the blessings God has for me in the homily each Sunday? At very least there is a gift of deeper faith for each of us in the word the preacher proclaims Sunday by Sunday. "Faith comes from what is heard and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ." (Romans 10: 17) This blessing and so many others are there for the taking whether the preacher is a gifted homilist or not.

Do I pray for the preacher? Do I pray for him under my breath while he's delivering the homily? Do I expect fruit in my life from the words he proclaims?

John Rea, SM



St. Joseph's Catholic School—your parish school

For any enquiries please ring 863 8653 or call at the school office.

Principal: Shaun O'Leary .

Board of Trustees Chair: Mark Kennett

Newsletters a can be viewed on the school website: stjosiwaihi.school.nz

St Patrick's Fund-raising.

Donations to St Patrick's Building Fund can be placed in envelope marked St Pat's, put in collection and it will be receipted for tax purposes.

You will notice a target barometer at the back of the church. Total so far 129,297.60 Receipts will be issued at the end of the financial year (March 2011).

SVDP meeting Monday 28 March 7.00pm Parish Lounge. We urgently need, blankets, duvets, draws, cutlery, crockery, pots etc, beds (single & double). One gentleman is settling here after losing everything in Ch.Ch, & another young couple in need of most things. We also need baked beans, spaghetti, rice, porridge If you can help please ring Des 863 7601

Scripture News: We have completed our journey with Job. Watch this space for further news. We meet on Thursdays, 7.00pm at the home of Bob and Janice Witheford, 6 Rata Street, Waihi. Please call 863 8406 for information. Blessings to all.



Prayer Groups

Where: Anne Guzzo's, 3 Princes Street, Waihi

When: Every Wednesday 6.00pm—Soup & Buns

Time: 6.45pm Scripture followed by Rosary

All welcome Phone 863 8134

Christian Meditation Group meets on Tuesdays at 4.30pm St Joseph's, Waihi. All Welcome Ph Raewyn 07 549 4005

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick and those in need of our prayers: Jim Hall, Billie Heath, Craig Hughes, Margie Douest, Bill Bain, Joan Baxter, Carmel Minards, Peter Richards, Pat Parker, Judith McBrearty, Olga Berry and Lorna Wardrop

Please pray for our Hamilton Diocese Seminarian: Danny Fraser-Jones

Prayer of the Church (Psalter Week 3) Weekdays Year 1

Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri. 8.30am & 4.30pm Waihi

Saturday 9.30am (after Mass)

Readings for the Third Week of Lent

Monday: 2Kings 5:1-15; Luke 4: 24-30

Tuesday: Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Matthew 18: 21-35

Wednesday: Deut 4: 1, 5-9; Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7: 23-28; Luke 11: 14-23

Friday: Hosea 14: 2-10; Mark 12: 28-34

Saturday: Hosea 5:15- 6:6 Luke 18: 9-14

Readings for Fourth Week of Lent (Year A)

First: 1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13

Second: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel: John 9: 1-41

Sunday Mass: Whangamata VIGIL 5.30pm Waihi Beach: 8am Waihi 10am

Weekdays: Monday: 9.00am Waihi Tuesday 9.00am, Waihi
Wednesday 9.00am Whangamata. Thursday 9am, Waihi Beach
Friday 11.00am Waihi: Saturday 9.00am Waihi.

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Youth Co-ordinator: Therese van Loon Phone 863 4059



Exposition

Whangamata: Wednesday: 9.30-10.00am
Waihi: Tuesday: 9.30—10.00am
Friday: 10.30-11.00am Stations of the Cross through Lent.

Singing Practice: Wednesday 5.00pm at St Joseph's in preparation for Easter. (new hymns). Waihi Beach parishioners are most welcome.

Music/Liturgy Meeting Thursday 31st March in Parish Centre 7pm

LENT 2011

Caritas Lenten Reflections:

Waihi: Monday 28 March after 9.00am Mass in the Parish Centre.

Waihi Beach: Thursday 31 March 1.30pm at Margaret Dowrick's, Queen St.

Stations of the Cross:

Waihi: Fridays 10.30—11.00am (instead of Exposition)

Waihi Beach: Thursday after Mass

Whangamata: Friday 4.00pm.

Caritas Lent Appeal envelopes are at the back of the church. Please place these in the collection baskets .25% of Appeal is going to Christchurch.

United By Our Common Humanity (The Lenten Appeal 2011)

Prayer for the third Sunday of Lent: The Woman at the well

E te Wairua Tapu, Holy Spirit, let your *aroha*, your love, infuse all encounters with those we meet. We thirst to drink your living water, Amen.

Newsletter to Parish Office by Wednesday please. Email ccwaihi@xtra.co.nz Ph 863 8998, Fax 863 8988 or leave in Waihi Church porch in newsletter box provided.



Passionist Family Group Movement

If you are interested in joining a Family Group please phone Parish Co-ordinators Paul & Jill Davenport 8638477 or 0275 212347

Pohutakawa Passionist Family Group: Our planned gatherings for the next 6 months include- Attend the Mission together, a walk in the Te Puna Quarry, a Meal and a Movie, a Midwinter dinner, a Mystery dinner (heaps of fun!!) a games night. All our gatherings are low cost and fun. The age of our family members range from 86 down to 18 months. Phone Bev 8634938 or Angela 8634044