For Your Diaries: 2016

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Wednesday 15 February, NZ Vice Chancellor of Bethlehem University

Br. Peter Bray, a New Zealander who is Vice Chancellor of Bethlehem University, will be speaking. 6pm, Connolly Hall Hill St, Thorndon. Free parking in the Archdiocesan car park beneath the Catholic Centre, contact: caritas@caritas.org.nz for more information.

Thursday 16 February, Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship Wellington

Come along and join us for fellowship and prayer in Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, Thorndon at 7:30pm(behind Sacred Heart Cathedral) Ring John Taylor (04) 389-8915 or 021-107-8538 or email:jnjtaylor@paradise.net.nz for enquires.

Friday 17 February, The Spirituality of Wine

In a unique blend of talk and tasting, participants will sample wines, learn about the Biblical history and spiritual significance of wine. RSVP enquiries@stjohnsinthecity.org.nz or Phone - 04 385 1546 by 15th February. Tickets are \$20 and available at the door.

Saturday 18 February, Dove Wellington

Dove Wellington invites all women to our meeting at 1.15pm to 3pm, Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, Wellington. It will be a meeting filled with caring, sharing and community. Please contact Shura Price for any queries on (04) 389

Tuesday 28 February, Mass for Life

Join Cardinal Dew in a Mass for Life to open 40 Days for Life. 6.30pm at St Anne's Church, Emmett Street, Newtown.

Sunday 5 March, Wellington Eucharistic Convention

Theme: "Pray, Pray A Lot!" Includes 6 talks and Reconciliation. At St Patrick's College, Silverstream starts at 8.30 am (Morning Prayer) and concludes with Mass about 5.30pm. \$25 adults; \$20 beneficiaries; Children under 16 free.



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MASS TIMES

Sunday

7am St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall 9am Sacred Heart Cathedral 12pm St John's Presbyterian Church 5pm St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria

Monday to Friday

St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall 7:30am, 12:05pm & 5:15pm

Saturday

11am St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall 11am Mass 4th Saturday of each month

ADORATION

St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall

Monday to Friday 6:45am - 7:30am Friday 11:00am -12:00pm

RECONCILIATION

St Mary of the Angels Presbytery

Monday to Thursday 11:30am -12:00pm

12:30pm - 1:00pm 4:30pm - 5:00pm

Friday

11:00am -12:00pm 12:30pm - 1:00pm

4:30pm - 5:00pm

Saturday

10:30am -11:00am 4:00pm - 5:00pm

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Assistant Priest Fr Joe Savesi SM

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Fr Kevin Conroy SM

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5 January 2017, 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Waitangi Day

The Annual Waitangi Day Mass for the Archdiocese will be celebrated tomorrow, Monday 6 February at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart at 9am. Cardinal John will be the celebrant. St Mary of the Angels together with the Maori community of Te Ngakau Tapu is responsible for preparing the Liturgy and we are the hosts.

I hope that as many parishioners as possible can attend this very important Mass on Waitangi Day. Please bring a plate so that we can share some food with each other over a cup of tea or coffee and celebrate Waitangi Day with our Brothers and Sisters in faith.

Confirmation Programme for Adults

During the month of March we will offer a programme for those who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation. This will comprise of 4 one hour sessions on Thursday evenings the 9, 16, 23 and 30 March at 7.15pm in the Parish Hall. The sacrament will be celebrated at the Easter Vigil on Saturday 15 April.

Registration forms are available at all Masses today or at the Parish office. Please complete the form and return to the Parish Office by 20 **February.** For further enquiries please contact Fr Kevin Conroy.

Seismic Strengthening of the Church

Work continues to progress well on the Church. It is looking likely that we will be able to celebrate our Easter ceremonies in the Church, however, we still need significant funds for the project.

At all Masses today there are spare copies of the Progress Report which was published at the end of last year. Please take a copy and encourage your family and friends to support our fundraising efforts so that we can achieve the required funds.

We can not afford to borrow money as we have no way of paying back a

Father Barry Scannell s.m. Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading Isaiah 58:7-10 Your light will shine like the dawn.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 I came to you to proclaim Christ crucified.

Gospel Reading Matthew 5:13-16 You are the light of the world.

Next Week's Readings

Matthew

First Reading 15:15-20 Sirach Psalm 118 **Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$5,050



5:17-37

Responsorial Psalm 111

R. A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

He is a light in the darkness for the upright: he is generous, merciful and just. The good man takes pity and lends, he conducts his affairs with honour. R

The just man will never waver: he will be remembered for ever. He has no fear of evil news: with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord. R

With a steadfast heart he will not fear: open-handed, he gives to the poor; his justice stands firm for ever. His head will be raised in glory. R



Exórtum est in ténebris lú-men réc-tis:

To the righteous a light is risen up in darkness.



Gospel Reading

Seismic Strengthening Cook Book Fundraiser

Copies of Recipes for Restoration are still available for purchase after Masses, from the Parish Office and from St Vincent de Paul stores around the city. This book is a 'must have' for every parishioner's kitchen, and a great gift idea.

The basic cost of the book is \$30. This price covers the cost of printing and makes a small contribution to the seismic strengthening fund. However, we invite you to pay what you can for the book with the assurance that all funds go toward the seismic strengthening.

We need parishioners to help sell these books. Please consider taking some copies and asking your friends to buy them and that way you will be helping with the restoration of the Church.

Mass has been offered for:

Anniversaries:

Recently Deceased: Ken Westbury, Peter Howard, Pat Downey, Tom McDermott

Graham Townsely, Patricia Lockhart, Olive Drane, Brendan O'Connor, Monica O'Grady Prayers for the Sick: Mary Crompton, Jenni Rowell, Jeanette Parker, Teresa Jeong, Dr Peter Brooke, Clem Cull, Fr Fred Bliss sm, Fr Kevin O'Donoghue sm, Maureen Ayling, Richard Wright, Losalia Leo, Patricia Smyth, John Foden, Joanna Veltman, Imelda Reeve, Jan Tuinman, Kathleen Phelan, John Mora, Maria Kim, Leo Buchanan, Carol Aldridge



Please remember these and any others in the Parish who are ill. If you know of anyone confined to their home or who needs a visit with Holy Communion, please contact Sister Frances at the Parish Office.







Prayer for Seismic Strengthening Work

Gracious God, Creator of the Universe. you made us in your own image and likeness.

You gave us wisdom and understanding, grateful hearts and creative minds.

We pray that our beautiful Church will be strengthened against the peril of earthquake through the generosity of parishioners, the community of Wellington and people throughout New Zealand.

We ask, Lord, that you abundantly bless those who have already donated funds, skill and expertise to this project.

May St Mary of the Angels Church be a symbol of a unified community that will gather to praise and thank you.

Mary our Mother, pray for us.

Bethlehem University: NZ Vice Chancellor talks in Wellington

Br. Peter Bray, a New Zealander who is Vice Chancellor of Bethlehem University, will be speaking on the topic Bethlehem University - called to be prophetic! As an unashamedly Christian university, how should Bethlehem University respond to the situation in Palestine and in the Middle East? This will be an opportunity to reflect on what it means to be a Christian university under occupation, and what attitudes should be promoted that reflect its Christian dimension in a country with less than 2% Christian and where Muslims make up the majority of the student population. Wednesday 15th February at 6pm. Connolly Hall (behind Sacred Heart Cathedral), Hill St, Thorndon, Wellington. Parking in the Archdiocesan car park beneath the Catholic Centre, contact: caritas@caritas.org.nz for more information.

Dove Wellington

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Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship Wellington

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The Legion of Mary

Meeting each Monday at 7pm in the Presbytery meeting room. This is a way to put our Faith into practice. Anyone interested is invited to attend this meeting. For enquires phone Brendan 3844263.

Wellington Eucharistic Convention St Patrick's College, Silverstream on Sunday 5th March, 8.30 am (Morning Prayer) and concludes with Mass about 5.30pm. Theme: "Pray, Pray A Lot!" (Our Mother's message to the Fatima children 100 years ago). Includes 6 talks and Reconciliation. \$25 adults; \$20 beneficiaries; Children under 16 free.

Rooftops Scholarship at Victoria University

Rooftops is looking for applicants for their annual scholarship worth up to \$2,000 for current students at Victoria University. Rooftops is an ecumenical group which brings a Christian perspective to modern communication channels such as print media, social media and blogs. Scholarship recipients would join the group which meets weekly to learn communication techniques, support and fellowship. Applicants contact Chris Beard for more informationChris Beard, Rooftops Director - rooftops21@gmail.com, 0211735498.

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