

For Your Diaries : 2017

6 August, Palliser Viols

The next concert is Sunday 6 August from 3-6pm, in the Newtown Community Centre. Admission \$25 (\$15 concessions).

9 August, Election Forum on Housing

Drinks and snacks from 5:45pm, Wellington Community Choir from 6:15pm. Formal start 6:30pm. St Paul's Anglican Cathedral, 45 Molesworth Street, across the road from the Beehive.

9 August Onwards, Winter Film Series,

5 Evenings, 7.00pm-9.30pm. Places available for the Wednesday night screening 9, 16, 23, 30 August & 6 September and the Thursday night screenings 10, 17, 24, 31 August & 7 September. Kōha. Pā Maria Marist Spirituality Centre, 78 Hobson Street, Thorndon.

10 August, Catholic Faith Documentary Viewing

The SMAYAC's invite you to watch the ninth instalment of the documentary series on the Catholic Faith from 6-7pm in the Parish Hall.

10 August, The Hope of Pope Francis

Group participation will be facilitated by the Parish Leadership Ministry team and The Catholic Institute, Wellington. Thursday 10 August 12 noon - 4.30pm at the Catholic Centre, 22-30 Hill St, Thorndon, Wellington.

13 August, Bicentenary of the Founding Marist Brothers

To mark this occasion there will be a Mass held in the Cathedral at 2.00pm, followed by afternoon tea.

15 August, Feast of Assumption

We will be celebrating the Feast of the Assumption with Vespers at 7pm, led by the choir, to celebrate, with Our Lady, our return to our church.

17 August, Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship Wellington

Come along and join us on at 7:30pm for fellowship and prayer in Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, Thorndon (behind Sacred Heart Cathedral).

22 August, Healing Service

With Fr John Rea at St Bernadette's Church, 194 Naenae Rd, Naenae on beginning at 7.30 pm. All are invited.

26 August, Retreat Day

Fr John Rea will conduct a Retreat Day in the Sacred Heart Cathedral chapel on the theme 'The Song of Songs'. We will begin at 9.30am with morning tea and finish at 3.30pm.

29 August, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

If you know of anyone who is interested in the Catholic faith and please encourage them to make contact with Fr Joe Savesi sm through the Parish Office.

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St Mary of the Angels is a diverse community which seeks to praise and thank God in a place of calm and beauty and strives to be Christ alive in Central Wellington

6 August 2017, The Feast of the Transfiguration

Parish Preparation for the Archdiocesan Synod

The Wellington Archdiocesan Synod will be held on the weekend of 15-17 September. Cardinal John has explained that preparation for the Synod should be "a discernment process, listening to the Spirit then to one another as we seek to understand where God is leading us."

Discernment involves reflection, not discussion or debate, and being open to the wisdom of the Holy Spirit, focusing on what we can do to help build our Archdiocese of the future. Most Synod topics are drawn from Pope Francis' priorities - leadership, people at the edges of society and of the Church, ethnic diversity, relations with Māori, refugees and migrants, care for creation, ecumenism, young people, marriage and family.

At St Mary of the Angels we will follow a two-step process for parishioners to reflect on any of the topics and then share responses with your representatives so they can take these to the Synod.

Firstly, during August we invite you to take time for prayer and meditation on the topics either individually or by arranging small groups with others. Included in the Angelus today is a copy of the questions to be considered at the Synod.

Secondly, in September, we invite you at meetings after Mass to share your reflections with those who will represent the Parish at the Synod. You can also share your reflections in writing.

Katyn Memorial Plaque

St Mary of the Angels has enjoyed a very close connection with the Polish community over many years. Many Polish children came to Wellington after World War II and together with their families have become parishioners of this Parish. One of the highlights for the Polish community was the visit in 1973 of Cardinal Karol Wojtyla (later Pope John Paul II) who celebrated Mass in the Church.

Many of us have lit a candle at Our Lady's altar. On the wall at this altar is a plaque commemorating the loss of Polish soldiers at the battle of Katyn during World War II. Following the seismic strengthening of the Church the Polish community would like to re-dedicate and bless this plaque.

On Sunday 13th August his Excellency Zbigniew Gniatkowski, the Polish Ambassador to New Zealand will attend the 5pm Mass and the plaque will be rededicated.

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MASSES

Sunday 7am, 9am, 11am, 5pm

Monday to Friday 7:30am, 12:05pm, & 5:15pm

Saturday 11am

EACH MONTH

4th Saturday 11am Mass with
Sacrament of Anointing

ADORATION

Monday to Friday 6:45am-7:30am

Friday 11am-noon

RECONCILIATION

Monday to Thursday 11:30am-noon
12:30pm-1:00pm
4:30pm-5:00pm

Friday 11:00am-noon
12:30pm-1:00pm
4:30pm-5:00pm

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

This Week's Readings

First Reading Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
His raiment was as white as snow.

Second Reading 2 Peter 1:16-19
We heard this voice from out of heaven.

Gospel Reading Matthew 17:1-9
His face was shining like the sun.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13
Psalm 84

Second Reading Rom 9:1-5
Gospel Reading Matthew 14:22-23

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$4,420



Becoming Catholic?

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program will begin shortly. An enquiry night for those interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith will begin on Tuesday 29 August at 7.15pm in the Parish Hall.

If you know of anyone who is interested in the Catholic faith please encourage them to make contact with Fr Joe Savesi sm through the Parish Office.

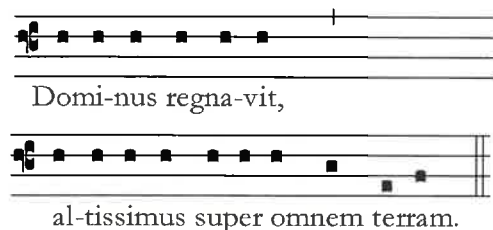
Responsorial Psalm 96

R. The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.

The Lord is king, let earth rejoice, let all the coastlands be glad. Cloud and darkness are his raiment; his throne, justice and right. **R.**

The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all earth The skies proclaim his justice; all peoples see his glory. **R.**

For you indeed are the Lord most high above all the earth exalted far above all spirits. **R.**



The Lord hath reigned, the most high Lord over all the earth.

Feast of Assumption

We will be celebrating the Feast of the Assumption on Tuesday August 15th at 7pm with Vespers, led by the choir, to celebrate, with Our Lady, our return to the Church. The liturgy will be followed by a short concert of seasonal music by the choir, with motets by Tavener, Macmillan, Victoria, Schütz and others.

Prayer for Synod- 2017

God, whose power is at its best in weakness: You have entrusted us, in our frailty, with the awesome privilege of being your presence in our world. You say to each of us: *Go, you are sent.*

In naming and sending, you honour our ability to serve. Yet we know our need of you, even as we travel in the echo of your voice: *Go, you are sent.*

Bless our Archdiocese of Wellington as we set out and, as you have done for so many, strengthen our weariness; steady our trembling. May we never forget that you are with us and joyfully answer your call: *Go, you are sent.*

We go, gifting your mercy, proclaiming your truth, and celebrating your goodness; our words and actions revealing your face to all we meet.

Blessed are you, God of the journey. Amen

Healing Service

There is to be a Healing Service with Fr John Rea sm at St Bernadette's Church, 194 Naenae Rd, Naenae on Tuesday 22 August beginning at 7.30 pm. All are invited. Bring especially those who need Jesus healing.

Altar Servers Needed

We require more Altar Servers for the 11am Mass. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office or Margaret Clark on 479 2820.

Catholic Faith Documentary Viewing

The SMAYAC's invite you to watch the ninth instalment of the documentary series on the Catholic Faith this Thursday 10 August from 6-7pm in the St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall. This week's episode is titled "The Fire of His Love: Prayer and the Life of the Spirit". Please come along and invite someone to come with you.

Retreat Day

Fr John Rea sm will conduct a Retreat Day in the Sacred Heart Cathedral chapel on Saturday 26 August on the theme of the 'Song of Songs'. This is open to all and will include the Mass of the day. We will begin at 9.30am with morning tea and finish at 3.30pm. Please bring something to share for lunch, a bible and notepad.

Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship Wellington

Come along and join us on Thursday 17th of August at 7:30pm for fellowship and prayer in Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, Thorndon (behind Sacred Heart Cathedral). Sister Marie Gore will be speaking on "The benefits of gathering together to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal". For enquires ring John Taylor on 389-8915, 0211078538 or email jnjtaylor@paradise.net.nz

Bicentenary of the Founding Marist Brothers

2017 is the bicentenary of the founding of the Marist Brothers in France in 1817. To mark this occasion there will be a Mass held in the Cathedral on Sunday August 13 at 2.00pm, followed by afternoon tea. Former staff, students, relatives, supporters and friends of the Brothers, as well as current staff and students of schools where the Brothers have taught, are cordially invited.

Election Forum on Housing

Wednesday 9 August, drinks and snacks from 5:45pm, Wellington Community Choir from 6:15pm. Formal start 6:30pm. St Paul's Anglican Cathedral, 45 Molesworth Street, across the road from the Beehive. Come and hear community stories of the housing crisis; Christian perspectives on housing from Cardinal John and Bishop Justin; and party spokespeople sharing their housing policies. The following politicians have confirmed to speak about their party's vision for housing: Metiria Turei, Co-Leader, Green Party, David Seymour, Leader, ACT Party, Others to be confirmed. There is free parking in Molesworth Street and surrounding areas. You may also use Loaves and Fishes carpark on Hill St (note there is a charge before 7pm) and Sacred Heart School grounds (Guildford Tce).

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Fr Kevin O'Donoghue sm, Father Peter Walsh sm, Tina Dellabarca, Madeline Feeney, Kevin Feeney

Anniversaries: Aiden McLean, James Baird, Paul Veltman, Barbara Ross, Fr John Goulter sm

Prayers for the Sick: Jeff Sweet, Dianne Sweet, Margaret Such, Bryce Toimata, Colleen Kennedy, Gil Lescher, Mary Crompton, Jenni Rowell, Jeanette Parker, Teresa Jeong, Dr Peter Brooke, Richard Wright, Losalia Leo, Patricia Smyth, John Foden, Imelda Reeve, Jan Tuinman, John Mora, Maria Kim, Carol Aldridge, Maureen McDonald, Leo Buchanan



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.

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