

For Your Diaries : 2016

15 May, Rescheduled Bach Choir Concert

The Bach Choir is pleased to announce that their rescheduled performance their concert 'Hear My Words' will take place on Sunday 15 May, 3pm at St Peter's Church on Willis St. Admission \$30 / \$20 unwaged / \$10 for tertiary students with ID. Tickets are available from Marsden Books (Karori). Door sales from 2.30pm .

15 May, Pentecost Vespers

All are invited to Vespers for the feast of Pentecost. This year our Parish are hosting the service which will be held at 7pm on Pentecost Sunday 15 May at St John's Presbyterian Church. Please bring a plate of food to share after the service.

15 May, The Catholic Institute Open Lecture

The Catholic Institute and Good Shepherd College are delighted to invite any parishioners to the annual open lecture by well-known Jesuit scholar and author on Catholic approaches to film, Fr Richard Leonard SJ. Sunday 15 May 4pm - 6.30pm. Door entry \$10. Discussion will be followed by soup and rolls. RSVP to Melania via email office@tci.ac.nz or phone (04) 819 8380.

19 May, Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship Wellington

Come along and join us on Thursday 19th May at 7.30pm for prayer, praise and social time in Connolly Hall, Guilford Terrace. Guest speaker: Fr Peter Ewart sm. Topic: "Mary, Woman of Faith, Model of Charity" Contact John Taylor for more info: (04) 3898915 or 0211078538 or e-mail: jnytaylor@paradise.net.nz

19 May, Healing Service

Fr John Rea will conduct a Healing Service at St Teresa's Church, Karori on Thursday 19 May beginning at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome. We hope that this will be an ecumenical service with other churches in Karori participating. Invite all those who need Jesus' healing in this Year of Mercy.

21 May, Vigil for the Unborn

Saturday 21 May at St Anne's Catholic Church, Emmett Street, Newtown. Begins with Mass at 10am followed by Exposition, a procession to nearby abortion site (Wellington Hospital) and then Benediction at the Church.

21 May, Dove Fellowship for Women

Dove Wellington invites all women to our meeting from 1.15pm - 3pm on Saturday 21 May at Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace. The theme for this meeting is, "The Way of Mary". For more information please contact Rachel Blackaby 233 2553.

21 May, Prayer for Suffering Children

You are invited to come and join in prayer for the vulnerable children of our nation. Sunday 21 May at 1pm - 2.15pm at St Theresa's Plimmerton.

2 June, Mass for Catholic Lawyers

Catholic Lawyers-The St Thomas More Society is holding its annual Mass at St Thomas More Church 36 Worcester St Wilton at 6pm on 2 June with its annual Dinner to follow at the Wellington Club. All Catholic lawyers and law students are invited to attend. Anyone interested please email secretary@barristerscomm.com or phone Pam on 914 1050 for further details by 27 May 2016.

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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

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

Parish Priest

Fr Barry Scannell SM
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Adult Education

Fr Michael Young SM

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08 May 2016, Feast of the Ascension

Pentecost Vespers

Next Sunday 15 May is Pentecost Sunday. Every year we celebrate this great feast of Pentecost with the parishes of St Peter's and St John's in a combined evening liturgy with the clergy, choirs and organists of each church. This year it's our turn to host this celebration, and we will sing the ancient evening liturgy of the Divine Office - the Vespers.

Vespers will be held at 7pm on Pentecost Sunday, 15th May, at St John's Presbyterian Church.

As this year's hosts, we will be providing the supper, so we ask our parishioners to maintain our reputation as good providers by bringing something nice to eat.

This is also an opportunity to further express our gratitude to the parish of St John's, for being our kind hosts while our church is strengthened. They have been extraordinarily generous in their support of our congregation, so this is a chance for us to be generous to them.

Vespers has traditionally been the most musical of the Hours, with responsorial psalms, a canticle and the Magnificat, as well as hymns for all to sing. We hope many will join us for this beautiful celebration of the manifestation of the Holy Spirit on the early Christian community.

Altar Linen

We have a small dedicated team of volunteers who wash and iron the linen daily for our use at each of our Masses. These generous people see this ministry as a form of prayer - something they can do for God and our Church. We very much appreciate all who carry out this ministry.

We need more people to help and are looking for a few more volunteers to join this team. If you wish to serve the Parish through this ministry please contact Sister Frances at the Parish Office.

Planned Giving & Seismic Strengthening Tax Receipts

Thank you to all who have contributed to the Planned Giving Scheme and Seismic Strengthening work for the Church. If you did not receive your receipt in the post this past week please contact the Parish Office.

Father Barry Scannell sm
Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.

Second Reading Ephesians 1:17-23
He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.

Gospel Reading Luke 24:46-53
Christ has entered heaven.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading Acts 2:1-11

Psalm 103

Second Reading Romans 8:8-17

Gospel Reading John 14:15-16, 23-26

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$5,287



Planned Giving

If you are not part of the Planned Giving programme you are very welcome to contribute to the Parish in this way. A tax rebate of 33.3% may be claimed on all your contributions. There are two ways to contribute to the Parish through the Planned Giving Programme;

- **Direct Credit**
- **Planned Giving Envelopes**

We really need the generosity of all parishioners at this time of real financial challenge. For more information or to become a Planned Giver please contact the Parish Office.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Mark Janis

Anniversaries: Jane Martin, Lena Loong Sau Ying, Su-Yen Bok, Eileen Yardley, Katherine Butler, Czeslaw Tomaszuk, Jean Auld, Linton Eskridge, John Keating, Juing Jieng, Ian Jones, Stewart Dickson, Mark Fitzgerald, David Butler, Terry Chamberlain.

Prayers for the Sick: Maureen Ayling, Denis O'Neill, Im Seon Ao, Paul Barber, Bill Prior, Richard Wright, Losalia Leo, Patricia Smyth, Maureen McDonald, John Foden, Joanna Veltman, Imelda Reeve, Jan Tuinman, Kathleen Phelan, Jeanette Parker



Please remember in your prayers, these and the other sick of the Parish. If you know of anyone who is confined to their home or who needs a visit with Holy Communion, please contact Sister Frances at the Parish Office.

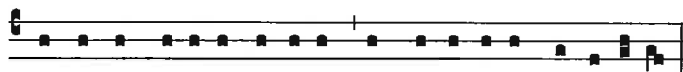
Responsorial Psalm 46

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord!

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. **R**

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R**

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **R**



Ascendit De-us in ju-bi-lo, et Domi-nus in vo-ce tubae.

God is ascended with jubilee: and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.

Study Catholic Theology

Applications are invited to study Catholic Theology toward a Graduate Diploma in Theology at Good Shepherd College, Auckland. Study can take place by distance or on-campus.

Papers include New Zealand Church History. Applications close 27th May 2016. Second semester begins 11 July 2016. Email admin@gsc.ac.nz or phone (09) 361 1053.



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.

Year of Mercy

An Abrahamic Celebration of the Year of Mercy will be held over two days in May.

On **Wednesday 18 May** an Abrahamic Panel (Jewish, Christian and Muslim speakers) on Mercy in our Sacred Scriptures, 6.30pm at St Joseph's, Mt Victoria. **Saturday 21 May** will be a multi-faith service day, putting the Works of Mercy into Practice from 9.30am, with lunch generously provided by the Wellington Islamic Centre. For further information contact Sister Catherine Jones c.jones@wn.catholic.org.nz or Sharron Cole colegam@ihug.co.nz



XLT Youth Worship Night

Calling all Wellington teens and young adults! XLT Youth Worship Night is on Friday 13th May, 7-9pm at St Anne's Hall, Newtown. Dance party, Eucharistic Adoration and supper. Come with your friends, have a great time and experience God in a new way!

St Mary of the Angels Young Adults Group (SMAYACs)

If you are a new or returning student or young adult to Wellington, you are very welcome to join the St Mary of the Angels Young Adults Group.

Upcoming Events

19th May: Prayer Group. 6pm SMOA Chapel.

23rd May: Rising Tide. 7pm St Joseph's, Mt Victoria.

27th May: TGIF! Mass at SMOA Chapel at 5.15pm followed by dinner.

29th May: Theology on Tap. 6.30pm at Hotel Bristol, Cuba St.

May & June: Life in the Spirit Seminar Series
5 consecutive Wednesdays 7.30pm-9pm: 11th, 18th, 25th May, & 1st, 8th June (six weeks total). St Thomas More Church in Wilton. To register contact Merrin Webster on 9386655 or email: webstermerrin@gmail.com

ABLAZE 2016

Celebrate the Holy Spirit! Pentecost Sunday 15th May, 2pm-4pm at St Theresa's Parish, Plimmerton. Includes Praise & Worship, testimonies, teaching, fellowship and ministry. Guest Speaker Diana Ingle - Christchurch Youth Mission Team pastoral coordinator and CCR National Youth Coordinator. For more info call Rainer on 021 155 8258 or email asg.wlg@gmail.com

Citizens Advice Bureau: Renting in NZ

The Citizens Advice Bureau is holding a public presentation outlining tenancy law; rights and responsibilities of tenants and landlords. This presentation may be helpful to families new to New Zealand, first time tenants and students.

Presenter: Gaynor Loryman from Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment.

5.30pm - 7.30pm, Tuesday 10 May at the Central Library, Victoria Street, Wellington - in the meeting room on the mezzanine floor.



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