

## Feast of Blessed Mary MacKillop RSJ

The Feast of Blessed Mary MacKillop RSJ who founded the Brown Josephite Sisters is celebrated on 8 August. However, this year it falls on a Sunday and as always on Sundays the resurrection of the Lord takes precedence.

You probably already know that the canonization of Blessed Mary will take place in Rome on 17 October this year. This is a great moment in the life of the Church both in Australia and New Zealand. The Bishops of New Zealand have published a pastoral letter - a copy of which is included in the newsletter today.

## Church Sound System

Many of you have told me that at times and in various parts of the Church you have difficulty hearing the words the priest is saying especially when he is speaking at the Altar and at the Presidential Chair.

I have had an assessment done by a 'Sound Expert' and am awaiting his analysis and recommendations. I will inform you as soon as his report is received. In the meantime there have been adjustments made especially to the 'lapel' microphone which the priest wears and I am hoping this has made some improvement.

*Father Barry Scannell s.m.*

**Parish Priest**

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<b>Recently Deceased.</b>	Tom Buchanan
<b>Anniversaries</b>	Zenaida Angelus, James Baird
<b>Special Intentions</b>	5
<b>Prayers for the Sick</b>	Maria Kasperowicz, Patricia Smyth, Cecilia Dickson, Da Van Luyn, Oinah Macpherson, Joan O'Neill, Mary Egan, Ron Blair, Des Cartright, Carolyne Collins, Marie McWilliams, Anna Zonotti, Pat Smith, Marion Hyland, Bill Prior, Kath Cosgrave, Dulcie Campbell, Paul Carr, Peter Schmidt, Angela Hong, Peter Tawhaki, Jan Tuinman, Mary Jarvis, Paul Rajan

## Becoming a Catholic?

Are you, or someone you know, interested in, or curious about the Catholic Church and its teachings?

Or do you want to know more about Jesus?

Or have you been baptised but know little about your faith?

Then come to an **Information Evening**  
on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August at 7.30pm  
In the Parish Hall

The evening includes information about the process of preparation offered, namely RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). We will discuss how this gentle process can help lead both leaders and newcomers to grow in faith.

**Contact People:** Cecilia Kim 479 0041 or one of the priests 473 8074.

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## Claudio Monteverdi

### Vespers 400

**7:00pm Saturday 14 August and  
Sunday 15 August**

St Mary of the Angels

17 Boulcott Street, Wellington

Visit [www.vespers400.org.nz](http://www.vespers400.org.nz) for more information  
and to pre-book your tickets online.

Tickets are also available at the Parish Office

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## Maori Chaplaincy Appeal

The Maori Chaplaincy Appeal will take place on Sunday **22 August**. The funds from the appeal will be directed by the Maori Chaplain, Father Gerard Burns according to the Pastoral Plan formulated by 'Te Kahu o te Rangi', the coordinating and Pastoral Council for Maori Catholic in the Archdiocese. The funds will be used for supporting and developing rangatahi (youth) chaplaincy, visiting Maori communities and formation of Maori Catholic leaders.

The work of the chaplaincy is enhanced or limited only by the generosity of our faith communities so we would be grateful for your support.

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**Introducing L'Arche** ... find out about this treasure in our midst! Everyone is very welcome to Kohanga - Tertiary Chaplaincy, 4 Kelburn Parade - this **Tuesday 10 August**, 5.30 - 6.30pm. Members of the L'Arche Kapiti community, together with Mike Noonan, the Asia Pacific Co-ordinator for L'Arche International, will speak about their life in L'Arche. Time also for questions and reflection. You are welcome!