

For Your Diaries : 2016

15 June, Deaf Cafe - for Deaf and hearing impaired people

Deaf Cafe is for anybody – just turn up. You can meet and chat with new people or catch up with old friends over a cuppa and cake and biscuits. Deaf Cafe is free. Wednesday 15 June, 10am-12pm at St Peter and Paul's Hall, 60 Knights Road, Lower Hutt.

16 June, Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship Wellington

Come along and join us at 7.30pm for prayer, praise and social time in Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, and to hear our very own Joshua chaplain. Theme & small group activity: 'Forgive and you will be forgiven.' For more information contact John Taylor 389-8915 or 021 107 8538 or email ijnjtaylor@paradise.net.nz

FESTIVAL OF THE STARS

ALL-DAY MULTICULTURAL EVENT

STALLS, FOOD, DANCE AND SONG

PROGRAMME: www.smoa.org.nz



KOHA ST MARY OF THE ANGELS
ST PAT'S COLLEGE HALL, KILBIRNIE
10am-5pm SATURDAY JUNE 18

18 June, Festival of the Stars

All are invited to Festival of the Stars! A Multicultural Midwinter Festival at St Patrick's College, Kilbirnie. A wonderful day of food, music, dance and family activities from the many diverse communities from St Mary of the Angels and wider Wellington. The festival raises awareness and funds for the seismic strengthening of our Church.

There will be a wide variety of ethnic food stalls. Come and support this fundraising event for the seismic strengthening of St Mary of the Angels Church!

18 June, Dove Fellowship for Women

Dove Wellington invites all women to our meeting from 1.15pm-3pm at Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, Wellington. This month's meeting is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and our speaker is Charlene Lim; who will be giving her testimony. Contact: Rachel Blackaby: (04) 233 2553.

25 June, Sacred Geometries: Transcendent Music For Modern Times

Following the success of Radical Spirit concert at St Mary of the Angels in 2013, Sacred Geometries presents the next in a series of concerts of adventurous music in churches around Wellington. 7pm, Saturday 25 June at St Joseph's Catholic Church, Mt Victoria. Tickets on the door. \$15/\$10

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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

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12 June 2016, 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

The Face of Mercy

We are already over half way through this Year of Mercy, which concludes on 20th November 2016. Now may be a suitable time to reflect on how we have participated in this Jubilee so far, and what more we can do to better understand the depth and mystery of God's love and mercy for us.

The fundamental document for the Year of Mercy, entitled Misericordiae Vultus - The Face of Mercy, opens by stating that "Jesus is the face of the Father's mercy. These words might well sum up the mystery of the Christian faith". Pope Francis explains the role of mercy in the life of people and of the Church, who are both the beneficiaries and the witnesses to God's mercy in the world. "The mercy of God is not an abstract idea, but a concrete reality through which he reveals his love as that of a father or a mother, moved to the very depths out of love for their child,". The Pope writes that "mercy is the very foundation of the Church's life, ... the Church's very credibility is seen in how she shows merciful and compassionate love."

This week, let us reflect on and pray the prayer that Pope Francis made entreating with the Lord to make the Jubilee of Mercy a year of grace so that the Church, "with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind."

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you, sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief. Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

This Week's Readings

First Reading 2 Sam 12:7-10, 13.

The Lord God forgave your sin; you will not die.

Second Reading Gal 2:16, 19-20

I live now, not with my own life but with the life of Christ who lives in me.

Gospel Reading Luke 7:36-8:3

Her many sins were forgiven her, because she has shown great love.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading Zech 12:10-11, 13:1

Psalm 62

Second Reading Gal 3:26-29

Gospel Reading Luke 9:18-24

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$4,858



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: Im Seon Ao, Thomas Williams, Bishop Len Boyle DD, Father John O'Dowd sm

Anniversaries: Richard Palmer, Joseph and Elizabeth Perera, Matthew Adams, Claire Abbott, Lindsay Haas, Kevin Reeve, Peter Gilbert, Hilary Proctor, Joanna Heenskerk, Nola Griffin, Marie Robinson, Da Van Luyn, Fr Alex Taylor sm, Robert Taylor, Jack McGuire, Wilma Giles, George Swennson, Patrick Smyth, Trevor Hyde

Prayers for the Sick: Fr Brian Wysocki sm, Mary O'Brien, Clem Cull, Fr Fred Bliss sm, Narissa Barber, Maureen Ayling, Bill Prior, Denis O'Neill, Paul Barber, 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 31

R. Lord, forgive the wrong I have done.

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven.
Whose sin is remitted.

O happy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt,
in whose spirit is no guile. **R**

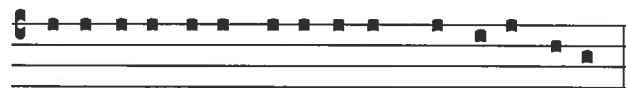
But now I have acknowledged my sins:
my guilt I did not hide.

I said: 'I will confess
my offence to the Lord.'
And you, Lord, have forgiven
the guilt of my sin. **R**

You are my hiding place, O Lord;
you save me from distress.
You surround me with cries of deliverance. **R**

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord,
exult, you just!

O come, ring out your joy,
all you upright of heart. **R**



Tu remi-sis-ti impi- e-ta-tem pecca-ti me- i.

Thou has forgiven the wickedness of my sin.

St Mary of the Angels Choir

The St Mary of the Angels Choir is seeking new members! The choir sings Gregorian chant and polyphony at the 12pm Mass each Sunday. If you would like to join the choir please contact Robert Oliver: phone 934 2296 or email robert.oliver@paradise.net.nz or say hello to one of the friendly choir members after Mass. There's no audition!

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.

Festival of the Stars

A Multicultural Midwinter Festival

Next Saturday 18th June 2016!

St Patrick's College Hall, Kilbirnie

We need your help to present this event to raise funds and awareness for the seismic strengthening of our Church. If you are able to volunteer or assist with this event in any way please contact Robert Oliver: robert.oliver@paradise.net.nz (04) 934 2296 or 021 0257 4375.

We especially need donations of baking and second hand books for the stalls. If you can donate books or baking please contact Terry Dodson: email: terrydodson@vodafone.co.nz

Bake Stall

Please donate baking to the SMOA stall at the Festival of the Stars on 18th June.

2nd Hand Book Stall

Do you have cook books you no longer use? Please donate them to stall at Festival of the Stars on 18th June.



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

16 June, 6pm: Bible Reflection - SMOA Parish Hall. Come and join us for a time of prayer, reflection and discussion. Afterwards, we will go for a casual meal and social catch up.

Festival of the Stars: Saturday 18 June, 10am-4pm, St Pat's College Hall, Kilbirnie. SMAYACs will be running the barbecue at this year's Festival of the Stars, so come along and help us out for a bit if you can. We would love to see you there!

26 June, 6.30pm: Theology on Tap - Come along to Theology on Tap at our great new venue, the Arborist at 166 Willis St! This month Julianne Hickey from Caritas will talk about Environmental Justice, discussing the findings from the recently published State of the Environment in Oceania reports. Free food will be provided, so come along!

Adult Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

Perhaps you know someone who is curious about the Catholic Faith? The Adult Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is the process through which adults are gradually introduced to the Catholic faith and way of life.

St Mary of the Angels is holding an introductory evening on **Tuesday 30th August at 7.15pm in the Parish Hall**. If you would like more information or wish to enrol please contact the Parish Office 473 8074 or email: smoaoffice@xtra.co.nz

Parishioners, please invite someone whom you know to be interested in our Catholic Faith and pray for the RCIA Candidates, Sponsors, and Leaders.

Clergy Jubilee Mass

The Clergy Jubilee Mass will be held at St Patrick's Church, Kilbirnie at 10.30am on Tuesday 21st June. Parishioners are welcome to attend to pray for and acknowledge those Priests who are celebrating their jubilee.

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