

For Your Diaries : 2016

23 May, The Rising Tide - Young Church Ministries

The Archdiocesan Young Church Ministries team invites all young adults to The Rising Tide: *Who am I?* at St Joseph's, Mount Victoria. Monday 23rd May. Doors open at 6.30pm and event starts at 7pm. For more info contact Young Church Ministries on 4961759 or email youth@wn.catholic.org.nz.

24 May, Holy Hour

The Holy Hour scheduled for Tuesday 24 May will take a different form this month. The Cathedral Parish is holding a Rite II Reconciliation in the church beginning at 7pm. There will be 7 priests in attendance. There will still be Scripture, a reflection and singing, but the Adoration will be in the chapel after Reconciliation has concluded. There will be supper to follow.

25 May, St Mary's College Open Day

Join us for our Open Day on Wednesday 25 May from 8.30am – 10am or 10.45am – 12.20pm. Parking will be available on our netball courts which can be accessed from Hawkestone St. Enrolment information can be found online at: www.st-marys-wellington.school.nz/enrolments/

31 May, St Catherine's College Open Day

All are welcome to our Open Day on Tuesday 31 May 11.30am -1.00pm and 6.30pm – 7.30pm. 14 Upper Bourke Street, Kilbirnie, Wellington.

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.

12 June, St Patrick's College (Wellington) Open Day

St Patrick's College, Wellington, is holding an Open Day on Sunday 12 June from 1.30pm - 4pm. Prospective students, parents, and friends are very welcome to tour the College during the afternoon. For more info contact Mrs Parkinson: 939 3070 ext 231 or email admin@stpats.school.nz.

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.

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St Mary of the Angels Parish

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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
smoapp@xtra.co.nz

Assistant Priest

Fr Carl Telford SM

Adult Education

Fr Michael Young SM

Pastoral Worker

Sr Frances Gibbs CSB

Director of Music

Robert Oliver
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Parish Accountant

Jeanette Temelo
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22 May 2016, Holy Trinity Sunday

The Beauty of Stained Glass

St Mary of the Angels Church has one of the most impressive sets of stained glass windows in the country. Many of these windows were made by the well known German stained glass company, Franz Xaver Zettler, and most were imported after the present Church was completed and opened in 1922. Many were given by generous benefactors.

The stained glass window of the Crucifixion is over the High Altar. Our Lady's Chapel has St Joachim and St Anne as Altar windows, while the windows along the wall depict in stained glass the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary. The window over the entrance to the Lady Chapel presents the nine choirs of Angels. The Altar windows in St Joseph's Chapel are of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The stained glass windows in the nave (14 illustrating the Parables and 14 illustrating the Miracles of Our Lord). There are others windows in the Church depicting important saints.

The magnificent Rose window behind the Choir Gallery is my favourite. In the early morning as the sun creeps slowly over the horizon, the Rose window seems almost on fire with its rich colours bursting into the main body of the Church.

Recently, 14 of these stained glass windows were removed so that they could be re-furbished prior to being reinstated in the new shear walls. The cost of refurbishing these windows is \$44,000. This is not included in the contract price for the seismic strengthening of the Church but has to be funded separately.

Once restored these windows will be placed in special seismic frames to protect them against any future seismic activity.

Reconciliation in the Year of Mercy

As part of the Year of Mercy initiatives, Sacred Heart Cathedral will offer the sacrament of reconciliation (Rite II) to parishioners and fellow Catholics in the central pastoral area. Reconciliation will be available this **Tuesday 24th May at 7pm in the Cathedral Chapel.**

This coincides with the Feast of Mary, Help of Christians, and we hope that people will take this opportunity to receive the sacrament and pray for the Church, and indeed the world, as a whole.

Father Barry Scannell sm (Parish Priest)

This Week's Readings

First Reading Proverbs 8:22-31
Wisdom was born before the earth was made.

Second Reading Romans 5:1-5
To God through Christ in the love which is poured out through the Spirit.

Gospel Reading John 16:12-15
Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will receive what I give and tell you about it.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading Genesis 14:18-20

Psalm 109

Second Reading Corinthians 11:23-26

Gospel Reading Luke 9:11-17

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$4,686



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:

Anniversaries: Matthew Adams, Jane Martin, Su-Yen Bok, Katherine Butler, Fr Gus Hill sm, Oinah MacPhearson, Mary Egan, John Smith, Brian Flynn, Michael Cenek, Margaret Fogarty, Mary Davidson, Maxwell Fernie, Colleen Pocock, Robert Bell

Prayers for the Sick: Clem Cull, Fr Fred Bliss sm, Narissa Barber, 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.



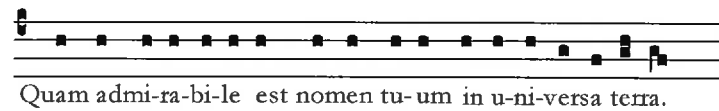
Responsorial Psalm 8

R. O Lord our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

When I see the heavens, the work of your hands, the moon and the stars which you arranged, what is man that you should keep him in mind, mortal man that you care for him? **R**

Yet you have made him little less than a god; with glory and honour you crowned him, gave him power over the works of your hand, put all things under his feet. **R**

All of them, sheep and cattle, yes, even the savage beasts, birds of the air, and fish that make their way through the waters. **R**



Quam admi-ra-bi-le est nomen tu-um in u-ni-versa terra.

How admirable is thy name in all the earth.

Festival of the Stars

A Multicultural Midwinter Festival

*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:

Email: robert.oliver@paradise.net.nz
Phone: (04) 934 2296 | Mobile: 021 0257 4375



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.

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

23rd May: Rising Tide. 7pm St Joseph's, Mt Victoria. The Archdiocesan Young Church Ministries team invites all young adults to The Rising Tide: *Who am I?* Discussion will explore our identity and self-worth, both as Christians and as individuals. For more info contact Young Church Ministries on 4961759 or email youth@wn.catholic.org.nz

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. This month's speaker is Chris Duthie-Jung, the new Leader of the Family and Young Church Ministry for the Wellington Archdiocese. Chris will speak about: *A God to believe in & a Church to belong to - so why aren't they?* This is a chance to explore the renewed Archdiocesan vision for addressing this critical issue.

Day of Prayer for Refugees and Migrants

The New Zealand Catholic Bishop's Conference (NZCBC) set the Day of Prayer for Refugees and Migrants (19 June) as close as possible each year to the World Refugee Day (20 June). The NZCBC has offered support for increasing New Zealand's refugee quota and welcoming new refugees and migrants to our communities. They have issued a written a statement on Migration for this year's Day of Prayer for Refugees and Migrants and Social Justice Week which can read online at: www.caritas.org.nz/prayer-refugees

Since 2015 the number of displaced people internationally has been greater than it has ever been, with 60 million people now displaced by war and conflict. We cannot ignore the growing number of refugees. This year Pope Francis reminds us to be inspired by the Gospel of Mercy. Migrants and Refugees challenge us to ensure that God's love is felt by every individual, and to welcome them 'home'. Please continue to pray for all migrants and refugees, that they may feel accepted and welcomed as part of the one human family, and that we too continue to pursue a culture of encounter in this Year of Mercy.

"Biblical revelation urges us to welcome the stranger; it tells us that in so doing, we open our doors to God, and that in the faces of others we see the face of Christ himself. Many institutions, associations, movements and groups, diocesan, national and international organisations are experiencing the wonder and joy of the feast of encounter, sharing and solidarity... ..Concern for fostering good relationships with others and the ability to overcome prejudice and fear are essential ingredients for promoting the culture of encounter, in which we are not only prepared to give, but also to receive from others. Hospitality, in fact, grows from both giving and receiving." - Pope Francis



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