

World Mission Sunday

Today is World Mission Sunday. The theme this year is 'Give Faith, Hope and Love'. An extract from the Bishops' Pastoral Letter may help us to focus on what Mission Sunday is all about:

“On this day we are asked to turn our minds and hearts to the needs of the Church in countries beyond our own, to pray, and if possible, to contribute to the collection for the missions taken up in parishes throughout the world. In New Zealand, MISSIONZ – the New Zealand arm of the Pontifical Mission Societies – takes up this collection with the full support of the bishops”.

There will be an opportunity of supporting the missionary work of the Church today with retiring collection being taken up after Communion.

“New Words, Deeper Meaning, Same Mass”

Included in the newsletter today is the first of our summaries which outline key changes to the people's responses at Mass which will be introduced on the First Sunday of Advent. You will remember that these changes are part of the Revised Roman Missal. Please take time to study and understand the changes and the reasons that the Church has decided to make them.

The new responses will be printed in a 'misselette' which should be available in the next couple of weeks. They will also be placed on the data projector screen during Mass so that we can become more familiar with the new texts.

Father Barry Scannell s.m.
Parish Priest

Vespers for All Saints

will be sung on Monday 1st November at 7:30pm. The choir will sing the psalms, and a Magnificat by Palestrina. After Vespers there will be a short recital of motets by the choir and some items by the three sopranos of Coro Segreto, with music by Philips, Victoria and Charpentier.

The final Organ Recital in our Winter series will be on **Sunday November 7th at 2:30pm**, when the Maxwell Fernie Organ Scholar, Thomas Gaynor, will play music by Bach, Couperin and Naji Hakim.

Do you know someone who needs help? St Vincent de Paul Can Help!

Do you know someone who might be home alone? Someone who needs a friendly visit.

Do you know a household where the breadwinner has suddenly fallen ill? A household struggling to put food on the table.

Do you know someone who might be alone in Hospital? Someone who would appreciate a visit during an illness.

Contact the Wellington Area Centre On 04 389-7122

SMAYACS - St Mary of the Angels Young Adult Catholics

Food collection for the Soup Kitchen. The young people meet every second Sunday to collect veges from the vege market for a very grateful soup kitchen in the City.

Young Adult Mass. The next Youth Mass will be on the **14th of November**. All welcome! We always need young people to help us with this, so if you would like to be involved in any way (reading, collection, organising, Eucharistic Minister, singing or playing an instrument) please contact the SMAYACs at smayacs@gmail.com.

Holy Hour The next Holy Hour will be on **Thursday 21 October** from 6-7pm at St Mary of the Angels Church. Holy Hour, led by the young people, is a chance to pause in the middle of your busy week and take some time to pray and worship. There will be some quiet time, some read reflections, music and adoration. All welcome

Theology on Tap The next Theology on Tap will be held on Sunday **31 October at 6.30pm** at Hotel Bristol on Cuba Street. We welcome anyone who is young or young at heart. Stay tuned for more info on this month's speaker.

We welcome newcomers to the group, your ideas and your comments. Contact us at smayacs@gmail.com, join our facebook group "St Mary of the Angels Young Adults Group" or just come along to one of our events.

The ICPE Mission is holding an **Open Day at St Gerard's Monastery today from 12 to 3pm**. Queries, email new-zealand@icpe.org or call (04) 8017797.