

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

This Sunday, a small leaflet on Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is available from the tables at the back of the Church and at the side doors

The leaflet has been drafted by the Liturgy Committee for two principal reasons:

- to offer some instruction to those who do not know that right now, Jesus is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament in this Church and;
- to encourage regular parishioners and occasional visitors to know Christ through the companionship of prayer.

We are mindful that our regular parishioners are those who gather on Sundays as well as those who gather during the week and that St Mary of the Angels touches the lives of many others.

We know too, that the Catholic Sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation are at the heart of this Parish Community and that we come to the Sacraments for a particular purpose – to know God and to know his love for each of us.

Meeting Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is no small thing, nor is it difficult.

Our hope is that this leaflet will be an encouragement to everyone to return to St Mary of the Angels and to the Sacraments frequently.

Suzanne O'Rourke on behalf of the Liturgy Committee

Welcome

We warmly welcome Father Bernard Zulu from Zambia and Father Paul Shannahan from MISSIONNZ who will be at our Masses today. Father Zulu will express his gratitude for the support that he receives from the New Zealand Church through the annual Mission Sunday Appeal. Mission Sunday is celebrated in October.

"A Glimpse into the Life and Spirituality of Mary MacKillop"

On the 17th of October Mary MacKillop co founder of the Sisters of St. Joseph is to be proclaimed saint by the Church. To prepare for this celebration an evening of reflection is being offered to take a glimpse into Mary MacKillop's life and spirituality in the hope that her life will inspire us to live more authentically the Gospel.

Venue: Connolly Hall, Hill St Thorndon.

Date: Wednesday 13th October 7.30 – 9.15p.m.

Facilitator: Lyndall Brown rsj

Come and hear about Church life in Zambia.

Fr Bernard Zulu is the National Director of the Pope's Mission Societies/Missionz in Zambia and will be in Wellington this week-end. He will share on Church life in the African land of Zambia at a meeting at Connolly Hall off Hill St on Monday 27th September at 7-30pm. Any enquiries to Fr Shannahan sm. Missionz Ph (04) 472-2210. Free entry. Fr Bernard is a fine speaker.

SMAYACS - St Mary of the Angels Young Adult Catholics

Being Young, Catholic, Together.

A group for 18-35s and the young at heart - come and share faith, fellowship and friendship.

Theology on Tap: This will be held this Sunday the 26 September at 6.30pm at Hotel Bristol on Cuba Street. This month we are very blessed to have two of the Sister of Compassion speaking to us about their vocation and their work and mission in Wellington. Among other things, the Sisters run the soup kitchen on Tory Street. They are amazing women who work humbly and quietly and have given up their lives to serve Jesus in those at the margins of society. This will be an amazing talk so we encourage you to come along if you can!

Food collection for the Soup Kitchen (this Sunday!): The young people meet every second Sunday to collect veges from the vege market for a very grateful soup kitchen in the City. If you would like to join us this Sunday (26th September), please meet on the Church steps at 1.10pm.

Young Adult Mass: Next month's Young Adult Mass is **10 October at 5pm at St Mary of the Angels**. If you would like to be involved in any of the ministries, please email Rochelle (smayacs@gmail.com)

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.

Choir News

In a few weeks, at 11am Mass, we will be introducing a Mass setting new to many: 'Orbis Factor'. Those who would like to sing confidently, are invited to coffee with the choir in the Crypt, and a short session learning this beautiful setting.

RCIA Sponsors Required

Sponsors are required for RCIA Candidates and Catechumens. To be a Sponsor, you must be a confirmed and practicing Catholic.

To find out more, please contact: Cecilia Kim, Phone 021-110 5254 ceciliakim@slingshot.co.nz