

This Week's Readings

First Reading Zeph 2:3; 3:12-13
In your midst I will leave a humble and lowly people.

Second Reading 1 Cor 1:26-31
God has chosen what is weak by human reckoning.

Gospel Reading Matthew 5: 1-12
Happy are the poor in Spirit.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading Isaiah 58:7-10

Psalm 111

Second Reading 1 Cor 2:1-5

Gospel Reading Matthew 5:13-16

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$4,574



Seismic Strengthening Cook Book Fundraiser

Copies of **Recipes for Restoration** are still available for purchase after Masses, from the Parish Office and from St Vincent de Paul stores around the city. This book is a 'must have' for every parishioner's kitchen, and a great gift idea.

The basic cost of the book is \$30. This price covers the cost of printing and makes a small contribution to the seismic strengthening fund. However, we invite you to pay what you can for the book with the assurance that all funds go toward the seismic strengthening.

We need parishioners to help sell these books. Please consider taking some copies and asking your friends to buy them and that way you will be helping with the restoration of the Church.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Ken Westbury, Peter Howard

Anniversaries: Sandra Moran, Br Luke Paget sm, Stella Brown, Joan Shanahan, Sophia Robison, Matthew Barnett, Catherine Symes, Fr Gordie Kerrins sm, Adolf Eibl

Prayers for the Sick: Mary Crompton, Jenni Rowell, Jeanette Parker, Teresa Jeong, Dr Peter Brooke, Clem Cull, Fr Fred Bliss sm, Fr Kevin O'Donoghue sm, Maureen Ayling, Richard Wright, Losalia Leo, Maureen McDonald, Patricia Smyth, John Foden, Joanna Veltman, Imelda Reeve, Jan Tuinman, Kathleen Phelan, John Mora, Maria Kim, Leo Buchanan, Carol Aldridge



Please remember these and any others in the Parish who are ill. If you know of anyone confined to their home or who needs a visit with Holy Communion, please contact Sister Frances at the Parish Office.

Responsorial Psalm 145

R. Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down, the Lord, who protects the stranger and upholds the widow and orphan. **R**

It is the Lord who loves the just but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. **R**

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.

Confirmation Programme for Adults

In March we will be running a Confirmation programme for those who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation. This will comprise of 4 one hour sessions on Thursday evenings the **9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th March at 7.15pm in the Parish Hall.**

Registration forms are available at all Masses today or at the Parish office. Please complete the form and return to the Parish Office. For further enquiries please contact Fr Kevin Conroy.

Rooftops Scholarship at Victoria University

Rooftops is looking for applicants for their annual scholarship worth up to \$2,000 for current students at Victoria University. Rooftops is an ecumenical group which brings a Christian perspective to modern communication channels such as print media, social media and blogs. Scholarship recipients would join the group which meets weekly to learn communication techniques, support and fellowship. Applicants contact Chris Beard for more information Chris Beard, Rooftops Director - rooftops21@gmail.com, 0211735498, **Applications close 23 February.** www.ecumenicalchaplaincy.org.

Holy Land Album by Father Chris Skinner

Chris is a Marist Priest from New Zealand living in Auckland. The album comprises 2 Discs. The 10 new songs on Disc 1 connect with the pilgrimage tour he led to Jordan and Israel in June 2016 and the 30 day retreat he began at St Beunos in Wales. For more information including song titles please visit his website www.chrisskinner.org.nz

The album is available for purchase through the Parish office for \$30.

40 Days for Life

More than 13,000 preborn children are aborted every year in New Zealand. That is 36 children every single day. Women are hurt - physically, mentally and spiritually. Men regret their lost fatherhood. *40 Days for Life is a local solution where people unite in prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil outside abortion facilities in order to end abortion.* Please join your local 40 Days for Life prayer vigil March 1st to April 9th. Together, with God's grace, we will bring about the end of abortion in New Zealand. Visit www.fli.org.nz/40daysforlife for more information or phone 04 237 8343.

Join Cardinal Dew in a Mass for Life to open 40 Days for Life **Tuesday 28th February 6.30pm at St Anne's Church, Emmett Street, Newtown.**

Public Meeting to Open 40 Days with Matt Britton Board Chair for 40 Days for Life. Come and be inspired and hear about 40 Days for Life, where ordinary people can make a difference! **Thursday 2nd March 7pm in St Anne's Hall, Emmett Street, Newtown.** Light refreshments served at 6.45pm.



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For Your Diaries : 2016

Monday 6 February, Waitangi Day Mass

The annual Waitangi Day Mass will be held at the Cathedral on Friday 6th February at 9am.

Friday 17 February, The Spirituality of Wine

A public lecture, wine tasting, light food and reflections with author & researcher, Dr Gisela Kreglinger. This is an event of the Knox Centre for Ministry and Leadership (KCML) and being hosted by St John's in the City. In a unique blend of talk and tasting, participants will sample wines, learn about the Biblical history and spiritual significance of wine, and explore whether wine can be taken seriously as part of a recovery of the senses in Christian spirituality. RSVP - enquiries@stjohnsinthecity.org.nz or Phone - 04 385 1546 by 15th February. Tickets are \$20 and available at the door.

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September - October 2017, Holy Land pilgrimage

Enquiries are invited for a Holy Land pilgrimage in September-October 2017, led by Pat McCarthy, former editor of *NZ Catholic*, and with Bishop Steve Lowe of Hamilton as chaplain. The 20-day pilgrimage will visit holy places in Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jerusalem, around the Sea of Galilee and in Jordan (including Petra). For a free brochure, email Pat on patsuzie@slingshot.co.nz or ring him on (09) 480-4463. You can see more than 100 sacred sites in the Holy Land on Pat's website, www.seetheholylan.net

Holy Trinity Parish (Miramar, Kilbirnie and Seatoun) Pastoral Youth Worker

We are looking for a dynamic, vibrant and energetic individual to work with our youth on their journey of faith and be part of the new Parish Vision. Reporting to the Parish Priest and working alongside the Parish Council, this is a part time position (20 hours per week) but the possibility exists for the hours to be extended in the future. A copy of the job description can be downloaded from our website www.holytrinity.parish.nz and candidates will be provided a current organisational chart when interviewed. Send through your CV with a covering letter to holytrinity.wgtn@xtra.co.nz or PO Box 15-256 Wellington 6243 Attn: Fr Ephrem Tigga Applications close 10th February 2017

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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

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29 January 2017, 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Normal Timetable Resumes

The holiday season is over and this week we returned to our normal timetable for Masses and Reconciliation. If you need a copy of the timetable and places where Mass is celebrated copies are available at all Sunday Masses or in the foyer of the Parish Hall.

The changeover of Marist communities took place last weekend and the new Marist Pastoral Team for St Mary of the Angels is now in place. They team comprises:

Father Barry Scannell s.m.	Parish Priest
Father Kevin Conroy s.m.	Assistant Priest
Father Joe Savesi s.m.	Assistant Priest
Father John Allardyce s.m.	Assistant Priest
Sister Frances Gibbs CSB	Pastoral Worker

We are very fortunate to have such a good ministry team to serve the Parish. I am sure you will quickly get to know the new members of the team.

Waitangi Day

The Annual Waitangi Day Mass for the Archdiocese will be celebrated at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart on Monday 6 February at 9am. Cardinal John is the celebrant. St Mary of the Angels together with the Maori community of Te Ngakau Tapu is responsible for preparing the Liturgy and we are the hosts.

I hope that as many parishioners as possible can attend this very important Mass on Waitangi Day. If you can bring a plate so that we can share some food with each other over the cup of tea or coffee it would be very much appreciated.

Father Barry Scannell s.m.
Parish Priest