

For Your Diaries : 2016

1 November, Vespers for All Saints

All are invited to celebrate Vespers for All Saints at St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria on Tuesday 1st November at 7.30pm.



6 November, Carmelites Open Afternoon

The Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites extends a warm invitation to anyone interested in their spirituality and way of life to join them for an open afternoon at the Marist Centre, 88 Hobson St, on Sunday 6 November at 2pm. We will be celebrating the recent canonisation of St Elizabeth of the Trinity a young Carmelite nun of the 20th century. Contact Mary Heffernan 577-2835 or heffam@actrix.gen.nz for more info.

7 November, Public Lecture: Activism Despair, & the Practice of Hope

All are invited to join Rev. Dr Rebeca Dudley for a free public lecture on Monday 7th November at 7pm at St John's in the City (corner Willis and Dixon Sts). See poster in the Parish Hall for more information.

24 November, Remembrance Mass for Deceased Parishioners

The Annual Remembrance Mass will be celebrated in the St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall on Thursday 24th November, at 5.15pm. You are all very welcome to attend and pray for your deceased loved ones.

26-27 November - Engaged Encounter

Registrations close 11th November. Held at Presbytery, 301 Karori Road, Karori, Wellington.

30 December - 8 January, Hearts Aflame Summer Camp

Hearts Aflame is a ten day Catholic summer school that is open to young adults aged 18 to 35. It is a place of learning about the Catholic faith, with daily lectures and teaching sessions on official Church teaching and Catholic spirituality. Visit www.heartsaflame.org.nz for more info and to register!

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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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Adult Education

Fr Michael Young SM

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30 October 2016, 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Progress Report on Seismic Strengthening of the Church

At all Masses today I will update the Parish on the seismic strengthening of the Church. There has been extraordinary generosity over the past three years from parishioners, the people of Wellington and indeed people from throughout New Zealand.

We have reached a critical time in the project. We need a further \$1.3 million to complete the work. If we can achieve that we should be able to celebrate our Easter liturgies in the Church in April 2017.

A progress brochure has been prepared and will be distributed to all parishioners at the end of Masses today. Please take one and consider what further commitment each of us is able to make to achieve our fundraising target. You could also take a brochure and give it to friends or other family members who may be interested in making a donation. All donations are tax deductible.

Please keep the project, the workers and our benefactors in your prayers.

Vespers for the Feast of All Saints

7.30pm Tuesday 1st November, St Joseph's Church Mt Victoria

This year our Parish will celebrate the Feast of All Saints with a Vespers liturgy at St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria. This Vespers service, which lasts 45 minutes, is lead with music sung by our choir, including the Gregorian antiphons, psalms and canticle for the day, with the Magnificat, in a setting by Palestrina. Following the service the choir will sing a selection from their traditional and contemporary repertoire, including beautiful compositions by Sir John Tavener and Arvo Pärt.

Vespers has been celebrated in the tradition of the Church for over a thousand years, and on this occasion gives thanks and praise to the Saints - our inspirational role models. Come and be inspired by the glorious music set for this occasion by the musical visionaries Victoria, Palestrina, Peter Philips, and by the timeless sound of the chant.

We are very grateful to St Joseph's Parish for allowing us to use their Church so that we can continue the tradition of St Mary of the Angels while we are away from our own Church. We hope to see many of our parishioners gathered at St Joseph's Church on Tuesday evening.

Father Barry Scannell sm
Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading Wis 11:22 - 12:2
You have mercy on all things because you love everything that exists.

Second Reading 2 Thess 1:11 - 2:2
The name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him.

Gospel Reading Luke 19:1-10
The Son of Man came to seek and to find that which was lost.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading 2 Macc 7:1-2, 9-14
Psalm 16
Second Reading 2 Thess 2:16-3:5
Gospel Reading Luke 20:27-38

Responsorial Psalm 144

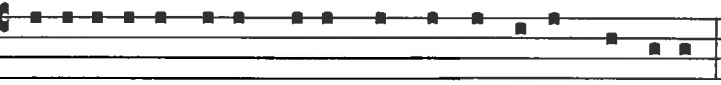
R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless your name for ever. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. **R**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **R**

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. **R**

The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down. **R**



Exaltabo te De-us me-us Rex, in saecu-lum saecu-li.

I will extol thee O God my King, for ever and ever.

St Mary of the Angels Charitable Trust AGM
 The Friends of St Mary of the Angels Charitable Trust 2016 Annual General Meeting will take place today:
Sunday 30th October, 1.30pm in the Parish Hall
 All are welcome to attend.

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$4,585



November - Month of the Holy Souls

During the month of November there will be a Remembrance Book for the Holy Souls in the Parish Hall. You are invited to write the names of any Holy Souls in the book, and they will be prayed for at every Mass celebrated in our Chapel. The book is on a small table at the entrance to the Chapel.

If you would like a special Mass said for those who have died, please write the name of the person(s) on the Mass intention envelope provided on the table at the entrance to the Hall/Chapel, place a Mass Stipend inside and give it to one of the priests, Sister Frances or hand it into the Parish Office.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Michael O'Loughlin, Mary Price

Anniversaries: Ann Ross, Colin Hoopert, Bryan Outtrim, Fr Peter Bradley sm, Maria Doriguzzi, Hannah McGuigan, Kathleen Cosgrave, Desmond Ashe, Lawrence Keegan, Olive Va'a, Margo McAuley, Stephen Reidy, Paul Churchward, Leslie Thomas Jones, Romola Sullivan

Prayers for the Sick: Don Hayes, Jenni Rowell, Joseph Glowazc, Jeanette Parker, Teresa Jeong, Dr Peter Brooke, Patricia McGreevy, Clem Cull, Fr Fred Bliss 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, Ron McDonald.

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.



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)

The SMAYACs welcome all students and young adults in the Parish to join them in their upcoming events:

TONIGHT Sunday 30th October - Theology on Tap: 6.30pm at the Arborist, 166 Willis St. This month our speaker is Mgr Gerard Burns, Vicar-General of the Archdiocese of Wellington. Mgr Gerard will speak on his role as Vicar-General and also his pastoral care for Maori including being Parish Priest of Te Ngakau Tapu in Porirua. This promises to be an interesting talk given Mgr Gerard's diverse background including spending time in parish ministry in South America. Everyone is welcome and free bar snacks are provided!

Thursday 3rd November - Adoration: following 5.15pm Mass in SMOA Parish Hall. Afterward we go downtown for something to eat. For more info contact: smayacs@gmail.com or search for St Mary of the Angels Young Adults on Facebook.

The Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary

The Glorious Mysteries bring us to the triumphant conclusion on the Rosary. They portray our ultimate victory over death. To aid our understanding we find our sources in the gospel writers, including Luke, who was also author of Acts. There is a beautiful passage from St Paul to describe the bodily assumption of holy people into heaven, and a vision of St John to tell us of the glory of all the saints, and Our Lady.

The First Glorious Mystery - The Resurrection | Pray that you will experience the fulfilment of faith. For those who found that the tomb where they had laid Jesus was now empty, the experience must have been truly bewildering. Mary Magdalen and, later, some others were caught up in the strange events, which included angelic messages and the first appearance of Jesus after his death. For the Christian the day of resurrection is complete fulfilment. **Mk 16:1-7**

The Second Glorious Mystery - The Ascension | Pray that you will always experience hope in God's generosity. Eleven disciples witnessed the moment when Jesus ascended to heaven. It could have been a time of emptiness for this "little flock", as Jesus had earlier called them. But the message he gave them, the instructions he so firmly set out, and his affirmation of his presence until the end of time, proved that his Ascension was only the beginning. **Mt 28:16-20. Acts 1:9-11.**

The Third Glorious Mystery - The Descent of the Holy Spirit | Pray that they power of the Holy Spirit will inspire you too. Mary was with the disciples who had gathered to celebrate the Feast of Pentecost (an annual Jewish harvest festival). They were together in a room, when the Holy Spirit came to them - with the noise of a wind - and in the form of a flame which rested on each disciple. They were "filled with the Holy Spirit". There and then they began the work Jesus had instructed at his Ascension, a task of evangelization the Church fulfils to this day. **Acts 2:1-13**

The Fourth Glorious Mystery - The Assumption | Pray for constant friendship with the Mother of Jesus. The fact that Our Lady was "assumed" into heaven, body and soul, sharing in the bodily resurrection of Jesus, has been a defined doctrine of faith for Catholics since only 1950. But for centuries it was a firm tenet of belief not only for Catholics but for many other Christians, as well. **1 Cor 15:51-57**

The Fifth Glorious Mystery - The Coronation | Pray for everlasting peace with Christ, his mother and all the saints. Catholics have always honoured Mary as Queen of Heaven and accept that after her Assumption she was crowned by her son as a mark of respect for her intimate role in his life. The belief is also an acknowledgement of the glory that awaits all holy people who will live in the presence of Our Lord and his Mother. This decade of the Rosary is a truly glorious conclusion to the prayer which takes us from Mary's acceptance of her role as the mother of our saviour to her ultimate place in heaven. There she accepts our prayers and intercedes on our behalf. **Rev 7:9-12**

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