

For Your Diaries : 2018

6 November, Cana Communities Talk

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8 November, Course for Young Adults

Five sessions each on Thursday evenings from 8 November until 13 December (except for 29 November). At 6pm and followed with supper.

9 November, Christian Brothers Christmas Dinner

The Christian Brothers Past Pupils' Association Annual Christmas dinner at the Angus Inn, Waterloo Rd, Lower Hutt, commencing from 6.30pm.

10 November, Stewardship Breakfast

7.15am for 7.30am(start) to 9am. Held at Angus Inn, 5 Cornwall St Lower Hutt, \$22.50. Email a.williams@wn.catholic.org.nz by 6 November to register.

10 November, The Family Banquet and Conference for Families

Starting with 9am Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church followed by Conference Presentations at St. Christopher's Church, Main Road, Tawa.

11 November, Mass on Armistice Day

At St Joseph's, Mt Victoria. A cup of tea and sharing to follow.

12-16 November, Residential Retreat

Held at Pa Maria Marist Spirituality Centre, Thorndon from 9.30am - 4pm daily with a Reflection Day on Saturday 24 November.

15 November, Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship Wellington

Fellowship from 7pm for a 7.30pm start in The Loaves and Fishes Hall next to the Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth streets Thorndon.

17 November, Polish Christmas Fair

Held at Dom Polski, 257 Riddiford street Newtown from 11am to 8pm.

17 November, Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women

Our meeting is at 1.30pm in St Joseph's Church 42 Ellice St, Mt Victoria

18 November, 'From Distant Lands' Concert

Come on a European Musical Tour being presented on Sunday 18 November at St Peter's on Willis St, Wellington at 2.30pm. Free entry.

10-14 December, Young Catholic Leader Programme

Five day, live-in, leadership and faith formation programme for next year's Year 13 students. Please contact the Parish Office for information.

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4 November 2018, 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Writing on the Heart

The questioning of Jesus by a scribe in today's Gospel shows that not all religious leadership rejected him. Clearly, this man respected Jesus and wanted to know more.

In the Jewish Law there were over six hundred prescriptions so naturally there were questions about priority. How are they interrelated? Is there one that contains all the others? Clearly, there is as Jesus states:

"This is the first: Listen Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself" (Mark 12:29-31)

The first commandment, the one from which all others flow, concerns the one God. Divine oneness is absolute, the creator of all. Therefore, people should imitate this oneness by bringing themselves into complete coordination with the One. The one God makes all people one so therefore, the neighbour must be loved as yourself.

This month provides us with the opportunity to show our love for a particular category of neighbour, our deceased neighbour. We pray in November for deceased family members and friends, for deceased parishioners, benefactors of the parish and deceased members of the choir. Let us also pray for those in the world who die alone and those who have no one to pray for them.

Parish Census

To assist the archdiocese and the parish with planning, November is the usual time to do a head count of people at Mass each Sunday in November.

In addition, we are designing a form to help us update records and to understand better the makeup of our parish. We will invite you to fill in a form. This will help us serve you better and provide the opportunity for individual giftedness and service to be highlighted.

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MASSES

Sunday 7am, 9am, 11am, 5pm

Monday to 7:30am, 12:05pm,
 Friday & 5:15pm

Saturday 11am

EACH MONTH

4th Saturday 11am Mass with
 Sacrament of Anointing

ADORATION

Monday to 6:30am-7:20am
 Friday

Friday 11am-Noon

RECONCILIATION

Monday to 11:30am-Noon
 Thursday 12:30pm-1:00pm
 4:30pm-5:00pm

Friday 11:00am-11:50pm
 12:30pm-1:00pm
 4:30pm-5:00pm

Saturday 10:30am-10:55am
 4:00pm-5:00pm

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6
Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord with all your heart.

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28
This one, because he remains for ever, has an eternal priesthood.

Gospel: Mark 12:28-34
This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16
Psalm: 145
Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28
Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$5,097



The Holy Souls Remembered during November

During the month of November there will be a Remembrance Book for the holy souls in the church. 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 church. The book will be located on a small table in front of Our Lady's altar.

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

The 5.15pm Mass on 8th November will be a special Mass of Remembrance for deceased family of Parishioners. The 11am Mass on 11th November will be a Mass for deceased members of the St Mary of the Angels Choir.

Mass has been offered for:

Anniversaries: Paul Churchward, Leslie Thomas Jones, Marion Hyland, Romola Sullivan, Peter O'Meeghan
Prayers for the Sick: Stephen Reeve, Bea Stewart, Barbara Stairs, Victor Stairs, Brendan Gilmore, Nancy Grealish, Mary Rose Keller, Geoff Sweet, Dianne Sweet, Teresa Jeong, Losalia Leo, Patricia Smyth, John Foden, Jan Tuinman, John Mora, Maria Kim, Maureen 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.

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Responsorial Psalm 17

R I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. **R.**

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed. **R**



Di-li-gam te Domi-ne forti-tudo me-a.

I will love thee, O Lord, my strength.

Sausage Sizzle

Parishioner of St Mary of the Angels, Rahul George, is coordinating a sausage sizzle here at the parish. He is part of the Young Marists who are hoping to start a weekly mentoring programme at St Patrick's College, Kilbirnie next year and are wanting to raise funds.

Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women.

Our meeting is on Saturday 17 November at 1.30pm in St Joseph's Church 42 Ellice St, Mt Victoria. Our speaker will be Sarah Pinto on "In my Father's eyes". Isaiah 43:4 'you are precious in my eyes and honoured and I love you'. For enquiries phone Shura 04 389 9938

Columban Calendars

2019 Columban Calendars are available for purchase from the Parish Office for \$12 each.

All proceeds go toward supporting St Columbans Mission Society.



The Family Banquet

Priest, celebrity chef, martial arts instructor, break-dancer, radio and television host and award-winning author, Fr. Leo Patalinghug will share a message centred around food and God's love. Founder of the movement *Plating Grace*, a movement about bringing families back to the dinner table, he will give an important message that will give families and their children tools for a brighter future. The Family Banquet will be held on Saturday November 10 starting with 9am Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church followed by Conference Presentations at St. Christopher's Church, Main Road, Tawa. To register and get tickets, go to eventbrite.co.nz. For enquiries and group discounts, contact 022 028 9737 or email patricia@marriageandfamily.org.nz.

Accommodation Needed

I have received two requests for accommodation from parishioners. One is for a young, Nigerian family and the other for a man from Iran. The situation is quite urgent in both situations. Please contact Fr Kevin or the parish office if you know how these people can be helped.

Christian Brothers Christmas Dinner

The Christian Brothers Past Pupils' Association, Wellington, is holding its Annual Christmas dinner on Friday, 9 November, at the Angus Inn, Waterloo Rd, Lower Hutt, commencing from 6.30pm. Our guest is Bro Bill Dowling who will speak about his life and the work of the Christian Brothers. Those interested in attending please contact Kevin McCormack on 478-6792.

Stewardship Breakfast

You are invited to a Stewardship Breakfast and talk by Cardinal John. Saturday 10 November, 7.15am for 7.30am (start) to 9am. Held at Angus Inn, 5 Cornwall St Lower Hutt with a cost of \$22.50. To register please by email a.williams@wn.catholic.org.nz by Tuesday 6 November. Please specify any dietary requirements in your email.

Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship Wellington

Inviting men to come along and join us on Thursday 15 November at 7.30pm (fellowship from 7pm for a 7.30pm start) in The Loaves and Fishes Hall next to the Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth streets Thorndon. The topic of "Becoming a New Man". If you want to know more, ring Steve Ready 027 356 9555 or email joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

Course for Young Adults- 'Believe'

Calling all Young Adults 18-35 years. The 'Believe' course is starting up again after a break. Five sessions each on Thursday evenings from 8 November until 13 December (except for 29 November). Starting at 6pm and followed with supper. The first session is about 'The Paschal Mystery'. Why do Christians worship a crucified God? We've all heard that Jesus died for our sins and rose again at Easter, but what does this really mean? Come and join us or re-join us for these next five sessions!

Mass on Armistice Day

To remember all those who lost their lives in WW1. Descendants of veterans are warmly invited and encouraged to bring any memorabilia they may have and a hand bell if you can. Fr. J Wagg & Fr. F Whitaker will be presiding on Sunday 11 November, 11am at St Joseph's, Mt Victoria. A cup of tea and sharing to follow.

Polish Christmas Fair

Held on Saturday 17 November at Dom Polski, 257 Riddiford street Newtown from 11am to 8pm. Come along for Beautiful Christmas gifts and tasty Polish food. The fair will be bigger and better this year following the great success of last year.

Cana Communities Talk

Supporting released prisoners and homeless people. Come and have a conversation with Julie Sneddon CEO of Cana Communities, NSW and Sr Anne Jordan pbvm, Spiritual Director. These people belong to a group called Cana, NSW and are members of a volunteer group that support people on the peripheries in a special way, in particular the homeless and released prisoners. On Tuesday 6 November, 7.30pm to 9pm at St Thomas Moore, 30 Worcester Street, Wilton. Hosted by Otari JPD group in conjunction with the Archdiocesan Justice, Peace and Development Commission.

'From Distant Lands' Concert

Come on a European Musical Tour with Concert Organist Paul Rosoman performing Music by Bach, Rinck, Shostakovich and more. *From Distant Lands'* is being presented on Sunday 18 November at St Peter's on Willis, Wellington at 2.30pm. Free entry.

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