

## For Your Diaries : 2018

### 5 August, Youth Development and Sacramental Programme

At 4pm at the Marist Challenge Centre, 1 Wanaka Street, Johnsonville.

### 9 August, Mass for Those Affected by Divorce or Separation

Cardinal John invites all those affected by divorce and separation to a special Mass at St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria at 7pm.

### 10-12 August, Young Adults Ski Trip

Leaving Wellington Friday afternoon and returning to Wellington on Sunday. If you are interested please email smayacs@gmail.com.

### 13 August, Winter Film Series

The Pa Maria Marist Spirituality Centre Winter Film series held weekly on Mondays beginning 13 OR Thursdays beginning 16 August. Contact Fr Brian Cummings SM (021 703 580 or email bgcummings@xtra.co.nz).

### 15 August, Vespers for the Feast of the Assumption

The Choir of St Mary of the Angels will celebrate Vespers for the Feast of the Assumption on at 7.30pm.

### 15 August, Bible Society Presentation

Held at The Street Church, 9 Hania Street, Mt Victoria at 5.30pm – 7pm. RSVP by visiting www.biblesociety.org.nz/gulfstates or by phoning Michaela on 0800 424 253

### 16 August, Joshua Wellington

Join us at 7.30pm for fellowship and prayer in The Loaves and Fishes hall, next to St Paul's Anglican Cathedral (corner Hill and Molesworth Streets, Thorndon).

### 18 August, Enabling Communities Workshop

Held at St Francis Xavier School Hall, 69 Main Rd, Tawa from 10am to 3pm. Register your interest by emailing Joanna Viernes at joannav@caritas.org.nz or call 0800 221 022. www.caritas.org.nz

### 18 August, Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women

Our next meeting is a Restoring Families seminar, 9.30am-at St Gerard's Church, Hawker St, Mt Victoria. For enquiries contact Shura on 04 389 9938.

### 19 August, An Afternoon of Sacred Songs and Broadway

From 2pm - 4pm, Joe Moorman will be singing at a concert at St. Patrick's Church, Wainuiomata. For tickets or information call Alan at 04 564 6904.

### 24-26 August, Priesthood & Religious Life Information & Prayer Weekend

Information at www.maristseminary.org.nz or facebook.com/marists. Email Fr Pat Breeze SM at vocations@smnz.org.nz

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# The Angelus

St Mary of the Angels Parish

Church and Presbytery:

17 Boulcott Street,

Wellington Central

Telephone: 473 8074

Parish website: [www.smoa.org.nz](http://www.smoa.org.nz)

*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*

5 August 2018, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Signs of God's Care

The crowd is intrigued. They saw the disciples get into a boat, but Jesus was not with them. They follow the disciples in their own boats. They eventually find Jesus and are mystified as to how he got from A to B. "... they found him on the other side." (Jn 6: 25) Jesus tries to redirect their inquiring minds: "I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life." (Jn 6:26-27) They are seeking him because they have filled their tummies with bread and fish. But they have not understood that the bread and fish are **signs of God's care for people.**

They are interested in spectacular phenomena. This is no surprise since the people are well acquainted with the constant, daily struggle to find enough food to live on but Jesus tells them that there is, in fact, a new manna, which is given by his heavenly Father. He is not denying that Moses gave the people manna many years before; he simply wishes to make it clear that the gift that Moses gave them pales in significance when compared to the nourishment that is now offered by his Father. Unfortunately, the people are less acquainted with how to satisfy their spiritual hunger than their physical hunger. Jesus tells them that he is the one who feeds them with eternal food.

To be attentive to the signs of God's care my consciousness needs to be unshackled from the visible, material and temporal if I desire to be conscious of God as the ultimate giver. Not giving in a Father Christmas sense of giving but giving tailored love which brings new life to individual people.

When the people mysteriously found Jesus on the other side of the lake their inquiring minds led them to ask questions. Having an inquiring mind is good for it can lead to an openness to the Holy Spirit who fuels our spiritual consciousness. With a growing, spiritual consciousness a person not only is more attentive to signs of God's care but is motivated to show care to others.

*Father Kevin Conroy, sm  
Parish Priest*

### Parish Priest

Fr Barry Scannell SM

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### Assistant Priests

Fr Kevin Conroy SM

Fr Joe Savei SM

### Pastoral Worker

Sr Frances Gibbs CSB

### Director of Music

Robert Oliver

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### Parish Accountant

Jeanette Temelo

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### Parish Office

[smoaoffice@xtra.co.nz](mailto:smoaoffice@xtra.co.nz)

### MASSES

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

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

Saturday 11am

### EACH MONTH

4th Saturday 11am Mass with Sacrament of Anointing

### ADORATION

Monday to Friday 6:45am-7:30am

Friday

Friday 11am-noon

### RECONCILIATION

Monday to Thursday 11:30am-noon

Thursday 12:30pm-1:00pm  
4:30pm-5:00pm

Friday 11:00am-noon

12:30pm-1:00pm  
4:30pm-5:00pm

Saturday 10:30am-11:00am  
4:00pm-5:00pm



### This Week's Readings

**First Reading:** Exodus 16:2-4. 12-15  
*I will rain bread from heaven upon you.*

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 4:17. 20-24  
*Put on the new person that has been created in God's image.*

**Gospel:** John 6:24-35  
*Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.*

### Next Week's Readings

**First Reading:** Kings 19:4-8

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 4:30-5:2

**Psalm:** 33

**Gospel:** John 6:41-51

### Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$5,086



**N.B. The Angelus will show mistakes in our staffing until the current print-run is used up.**

**Our Pastoral Team for 2018 is:**

**Parish Priest:** Fr Kevin Conroy SM.

**Assistant Priests:** Fr Joe Savesi SM, Fr Peter McAfee SM.

**In Residence:** Fr Brian Wysocki SM

**Pastoral Assistant:** Sr Frances Gibbs CSB.

**Music Director - Robert Oliver** chant4robert@gmail.com

### Ministry Volunteers Needed

We require more Altar Servers, Readers, Ministers of Holy Communion for all Masses. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office on 04 473 8074.

### Rosary

The Rosary is recited on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays at 11.30am. On Fridays the Rosary is prayed after the 12.05pm Mass. Everyone is welcome.

### Mass has been offered for:

**Recently Deceased:** John Graham Nicholl

**Anniversaries:** Aiden McLean, James Baird, Jeanette Parker, Paul Veltman, Barbara Ross, Fr John Goulter sm

**Prayers for the Sick:** Bea Stewart, Vincent Rosario, Miriam Wilkins, Barbara Stairs, Victor Stairs, Brendan Gilmore, Nancy Grealish, Mary Rose Keller, Geoff Sweet, Dianne Sweet, Gil Lescher, Mary Crompton, 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.*

### Responsorial Psalm 77

**R The Lord gave them bread from heaven.**

The things we have heard and understood, the things our fathers have told us, we will tell to the next generation: the glories of the Lord and his might. **R.**

He commanded the clouds above and opened the gates of heaven. He rained down manna for their food, and gave them bread from heaven. **R.**

Mere men ate the bread of angels. He sent them abundance of food. He brought them to his holy land, to the mountain which his right hand won. **R.**



Domi-nus pa-nem coeli de-dit e- is.

*The Lord hath given them the bread of heaven*

### Odyssey Youth Development and Sacramental Programme

Have you heard that Challenge 2000 are running an exciting personal development and sacramental programme for 13-18 year olds? It's called Odyssey and it's starting this weekend! Our first gathering is this Sunday 5 August at the Marist Challenge Centre -1 Wanaka Street in Johnsonville. We will meet from 4pm - 6pm every Sunday for the duration of the programme.

For more information contact Anna Hoskins at Challenge 2000 on 027 842 1280 or email [annahoskins@challenge2000.org.nz](mailto:annahoskins@challenge2000.org.nz) or contact Aaron Itinteang [aaronitinteang@challenge2000.org.nz](mailto:aaronitinteang@challenge2000.org.nz)

### Adult Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

Perhaps you know someone who is curious about the Catholic Faith?

The Adult Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is the process through which adults are gradually introduced to the Catholic faith and way of life.

St Mary of the Angels is holding an introductory evening on Tuesday 11 September at 7.15pm in the Parish Hall. If you would like more information or wish to enrol please contact the Parish Office 04 473 8074 or email: [smoaoffice@xtra.co.nz](mailto:smoaoffice@xtra.co.nz)

Parishioners, please invite someone whom you know to be interested in our Catholic Faith and pray for the RCIA Candidates, Sponsors, and Leaders.

### Winter Film Series

The Pa Maria Marist Spirituality Centre Winter Film series: Mondays 13, 20, 27 August and 3 & 10 September **OR** Thursdays 16, 23, 30 August and 6 & 13 September Contact Fr Brian Cummings SM (021 703 580 or email [brcummings@xtra.co.nz](mailto:brcummings@xtra.co.nz)).

### Mass for Those Affected by Divorce or Separation

On Thursday 9 August, Cardinal John invites all those affected by divorce and separation to a special Mass at 7pm in St Joseph's Church, Mt. Victoria. If you or someone you know has been affected by this, you are warmly invited to join us. For more information please contact Felicity at the Family and Young Church office, 04 496 1719. Hospitality to follow.

### Catholic Foundation Scholarships

The Catholic Foundation Scholarships open on Monday 31 July and close on 31 August 2018. Catholic Foundation Scholarships are available to Catholic students residing in the Wellington Archdiocese who are in their final year of secondary education. Full criteria and application forms are available on our website or through the Secretary

### Joshua Wellington

Joshua Wellington invites you to come along and join us on Thursday 16 August at 7.30pm for fellowship and prayer in The Loaves and Fishes hall, next to St Paul's Anglican Cathedral (corner Hill and Molesworth Streets, Thorndon). Joe Green, Lay Pastoral Leader will be speaking on "How Joe stays connected to Christ". If you want to know more contact Steve Ready on 027-356-9555 or email: [scjready@gmail.com](mailto:scjready@gmail.com)

### Vespers for the Feast of the Assumption

The Choir of St Mary of the Angels will celebrate Vespers for the Feast of the Assumption on Wednesday 15 August at 7.30pm. The liturgy, which lasts for about 50 minutes, includes Latin psalms, the Gregorian antiphons and Palestrina's Magnificat. Following that will be a short, thirty-minute concert of music for the feast, and for the Feast of the Transfiguration, with music by Tallis, Tavener, Victoria, and including Monteverdi's wonderful setting of 'Beatus Vir' with violins, and featuring our own choir soloists: Olivia Webb, Wendy Kale, John Sullivan, Paul Beres and Emmanuel Godinez.

### 2000 Meetings

This week the "Our Lady of Refuge" Praesidium of the Legion of Mary celebrated its 2000th Meeting. The Praesidium, which is based in the St Mary of the Angels Parish was started in the 1970's and has been meeting weekly ever since.

Over this period members of the Praesidium have carried out many thousands of visits to the sick, elderly and those who may have drifted away from the Church. The Praesidium meets weekly at 7pm on Monday evenings in the Presbytery meeting room. We need new members so please come along to a meeting and see if this is for you.

### Bible Society Presentation

Come and hear Hrayr Jbebejian (Head of the Bible Society in the Gulf) talk about the impact the Bible is having on many migrant communities in Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain, United Arab Emirates and Oman. Join us for a special presentation at The Street Church, 9 Hania Street, Mt Victoria at 5.30pm - 7pm on Wednesday 15 August. Pizza will be provided. With guest speaker, Don't miss this unique opportunity! Please RSVP by visiting [www.biblesociety.org.nz/gulfstates](http://www.biblesociety.org.nz/gulfstates) or by phoning Michaela on 0800 424 253

### Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women

Our next meeting is a Restoring Families seminar, 9.30am-5pm on Saturday 18 August at St Gerard's Church, Hawker St, Mt Victoria. Our speaker is Emma Kim. Prayer ministry will be offered. All women welcome. For enquiries contact Shura on 04 389 9938.

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