

## For Your Diaries : 2018

### 12 August, Odyssey - Leadership and Faith Programme

If you are Year 12, Year 13 or older - up to 25 and want to develop your leadership skills, serve your communities and explore the meaning of life then come along. From 4 - 6pm at the Marist Challenge Centre -1 Wanaka Street in Johnsonville. We look forward to meeting you!

### 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](mailto:bgcummings@xtra.co.nz)).

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

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### 15 August, Bible Society Presentation

Held at The Street Church, 9 Hania Street, Mt Victoria at 5.30 - 7pm. RSVP by visiting [www.biblesociety.org.nz/gulfstates](http://www.biblesociety.org.nz/gulfstates) or phone 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](mailto:joannav@caritas.org.nz) or call 0800 221 022. [www.caritas.org.nz](http://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](http://www.maristseminary.org.nz) or [facebook.com/marists](https://www.facebook.com/marists). Email Fr Pat Breeze SM at [vocations@smnz.org.nz](mailto:vocations@smnz.org.nz).

### 28-30 September, National Catholic Men's Event - MAX18NZ

The event offers a unique opportunity to deepen an understanding of God's call and challenge within our lives. It will be held at Kings College, Auckland over the weekend of 28/30 September. See flyer on display at the church entrance and also [www.max18nz](http://www.max18nz) for more information. MAX = Men Alive for Christ.

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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*

## 12 August 2018, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Jesus, The Word of Life

In a commentary of the life and work of mystic, theologian and philosopher, Meister Eckhart, I found this quote: "God cannot be found or grasped in the external world, but only in the internal world. If we seek him outside, we shall find him nowhere; if we seek him within, we shall find him everywhere. This is not to say that only the inner world is real. Both are real; both have their own measure of importance. But it is in the inner world which has the priority and the greater importance... Having discovered God within, we can discover him without; but never the other way around." [The Way of Paradox: Spiritual Life as Taught by Meister Eckhart, New York, Paulist Press, 1987, P.51]

The religious authorities in the time of Jesus could only understand one side of his identity, a man born from Joseph and Mary. The words, "I have come down from heaven" (John 6:42), caused confusion and anger to them.

However, people down through the ages have been attracted to Jesus. How come? It is connected to the fact that they already have the seed of love in their hearts. Since God's Love is the source of creation, Jesus Christ, the incarnate Word of the Father shows humanity God's love. It is a question of like seeking like. People recognize the love blazing out of Jesus and they move towards it.

It is important to keep seeking. In order to grow, the seed of love in our inner world, in our deepest being, needs to be fed. The bread of life is the Word of God, who will satisfy our hunger.

### Mr Denis Fortune

Over recent decades many people have been involved with the preservation, maintenance and, more latterly, the seismic strengthening of our church. One of these has been Mr Denis Fortune, Managing Director and Principal of Bullement. Fortune Architects Ltd from 1998. On 2 August he died suddenly. We acknowledge his part in our story and we offer our condolences to his family and our assurance of prayers for Denis.

### Holy Day of Obligation

In 1838 Bishop Pompallier consecrated the Catholic mission to the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. On Wednesday 15 August we celebrate this patronal feast of New Zealand. As well as the usual Mass times there will also be Mass at 1.00 pm. Reconciliation times will remain the same.

Father Kevin Conroy, sm  
Parish Priest

### Parish Priest

Fr Barry Scannell SM  
[smoapp@xtra.co.nz](mailto:smoapp@xtra.co.nz)

### Assistant Priests

Fr Kevin Conroy SM

Fr Joe Savevi SM

### Pastoral Worker

Sr Frances Gibbs CSB

### Director of Music

Robert Oliver

[robert.oliver@paradise.net.nz](mailto:robert.oliver@paradise.net.nz)

### Parish Accountant

Jeanette Temelo

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

### Parish Office

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

### 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 6:45am-7:30am

Friday

Friday 11am-noon

### RECONCILIATION

Monday to 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:** 1 Kings 19:4-8  
*Strengthened by the food, he walked to the mountain of the Lord.*

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 4:30-5:2  
*Walk in love, just as Christ.*

**Gospel:** John 6:41-51  
*I am the living bread come down from heaven.*

### Next Week's Readings

**First Reading:** Proverbs 9:1-6  
**Second Reading:** Ephesians 5:15-20  
**Psalm:** 33  
**Gospel:** John 6:51-58

### Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$8,172



**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:** Denis Fortune

**Anniversaries:** Zenaida Angeles, Maria Kasperowicz, Suzanne Judd, Donald Urquhart-Hay, Robert Teh Kim Swee

**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 33

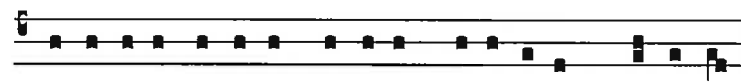
**R Taste and see the goodness of the Lord**

I will bless the Lord at all times,  
his praise always on my lips;  
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.  
The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**

Glorify the Lord with me.  
Together let us praise his name.  
I sought the Lord and he answered me;  
from all my terrors he set me free. **R.**

Look towards him and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed.  
This poor man called; the Lord heard him  
and rescued him from all his distress. **R.**

The angel of the Lord is encamped  
around those who revere him, to rescue them.  
Taste and see that the Lord is good.  
He is happy who seeks refuge in him. **R.**



Gusta-te et vi-de-te quo-ni- am su- a-vis est Domi-nus.

*O taste and see how sweet the Lord is.*

### 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.

### 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

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

### An Afternoon of Sacred Songs and Broadway

On 19 August, from 2pm - 4pm, Joe Moorman will be singing at a concert at St. Patrick's Church, Wainuiomata, to help them raise money for a church hall they're building. The first half will be Sacred music, and the second half will be Broadway show tunes. For tickets or information call Alan on 04 564 6904. Come along in support of this fundraising activity.

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### 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.

### Bible Society Presentation

Come and hear Hrayr Jebejian (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 or by phoning Michaela on 0800 424 253.

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### 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.

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