

For Your Diaries : 2018

25 March, Together We Stand

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8 April, Father Barry's Farewell

There will be a farewell for Fr Barry after the 11am Mass. If you wish to contribute towards a gift from the parish to Fr Barry please pass it either to Fr Kevin, Sr Frances, or to the Parish Office.

9 April, Greenstone Doors

On the 2nd Monday of every month, there is a short Prayer Evening at Greenstone Doors, 15 Dudley St, Lower Hutt at 7pm. This is an opportunity to pray for the work of the Trust, the clients and the volunteers.

9 April- 14 April, Church Closing

The Church will be closed for scheduled work in the Sanctuary. Weekday Masses will be held in the Hall and Reconciliation in the Presbytery.

12 April, Inner Peace in Divine Love

The retreat is open to all and will be held at the Church of St Peter and Paul, 37 Dr Taylor Terrace, Johnsonville from 7.30pm - 9.30pm. Over five evenings from over five Thursday evenings, 12 April until 10 May. To book or for further information contact Sarah Dench on 04 389 1038, 021 0814 4424 or email sarahdench@yahoo.com

19 April, Pentecost Liturgical Workshop

An interactive workshop, with Fr Patrick Bridgman, Archdiocesan Liturgy Advisor. Fr Patrick will help us unpack Pentecost seeking ways to be truly culturally inclusive within our liturgies and gatherings. Workshops are open to all, 6.45pm-9pm at the Catholic Centre. Please register with Ann Williams before Friday 13 April by emailing a.williams@wn.catholic.org.nz

21 April, Working Bee

With the completion of the scheduled work in the Sanctuary by 14 April we are having a working bee on 21 April. Please come along at 9am to help with the cleaning of the Church. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Many hands make light work.

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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

25 March 2018, Palm Sunday

The Journey of Holy Week

In our reading today from Mark's Gospel... *the woman with the alabaster jar used her savings to buy very expensive ointment with which to anoint Jesus. Critics complained that the ointment, which was worth approximately a year's wages, should have been sold and the proceeds shared among the poor. But Jesus said that what the woman had done was right. Jesus goes further and predicts that the Good News of Christ will be proclaimed throughout the world and that her actions would be remembered. She was honoured Jesus while he was still there among them physically. There would be plenty of time for helping the poor.*

Here we catch a glimpse of our true purpose – worshipping the divine. Our life journeys are to be underpinned by the greatest commandments – love God and love our neighbour as ourselves. [Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand, Reflection Programme 2018, P.35]

On Palm Sunday we begin our journey through Holy Week in which we are invited to contemplate the great mysteries celebrated in the liturgies over these days. The opening prayer from today's Mass may help focus our contemplation: Almighty ever-living God, who as an example of humility for the human race to follow caused our Saviour to take flesh and submit to the Cross, graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection.

Father Barry's Farewell

After 10 years here at St Mary of the Angels and nine of those years serving as Parish Priest it is approaching the time to farewell Fr Barry. There will be a farewell for him after the 11am Mass on Sunday 8 April. If you wish to contribute towards a gift from the Parish to Fr Barry I invite you to pass it either to Fr Kevin, Sr Frances, or to the Parish Office.

Easter Timetable

The Easter Timetable is available in each Angelus today. Please take this home with you to refer to over the coming weeks. The timetable is also available on our website www.smoa.org.nz

Church Closing

The Church will be closed from Monday 9 April until Saturday 14 April for scheduled work in the Sanctuary. Weekday Masses will be held in the Hall and Reconciliation in the Presbytery.

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Parish Priest

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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 11am-noon

RECONCILIATION

Monday to Thursday 11:30am-noon
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 Isaiah 50:4-7
I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

Second Reading Philippians 2:6-11
He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

Gospel Mark 14:1-15:47

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43
Psalm: 117
Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4
Gospel: John 20:1-9

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$5,194



Thank You

A sincere thank you to those who have generously responded to the request in last week's Angelus for donations to complete the work on the Church and grounds. A total of \$24,300 has been raised towards the final total of \$156,552.

St Mary of the Angels Choir

The Choir of St Mary of the Angels is looking for new singers! If you are interested in joining please contact Director of Music, Robert Oliver chant4robert@gmail.com ;04 9342296; or 0210 2574375. There is no audition and you don't need to be able to read music. All that is required is a love of music and willingness to learn. The choir sings at the 11am Mass each Sunday. Rehearsals take place every Thursday 7.30pm - 9.30pm; and before Mass on Sunday.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Patricia Tuisaula, Pat Henehan
Anniversaries: Fr Michael Tomasi, Joan Smart, Mavis Henderson-Newport, Anita Rae
Prayers for the Sick: Leonie Arnold, James Ramsay, Nancy Grealish, Mary Anne Merrin, Mary Rose Keller, Geoff Sweet, Dianne Sweet, Margaret Such, Bryce Toimata, Colleen Kennedy, Gil Lescher, Mary Crompton, Jenni Rowell, Teresa Jeong, Dr Peter Brooke, 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 21

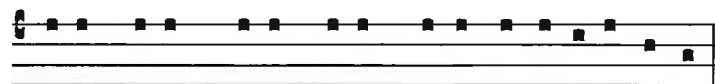
R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me.
 They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
 let him release him if this is his friend'. **R.**

Many dogs have surrounded me,
 a band of the wicked beset me.
 They tear holes in my hands and my feet.
 I can count every one of my bones. **R.**

They divide my clothing among them.
 They cast lots for my robe.
 O Lord, do not leave me alone,
 my strength, make haste to help me! **R.**

I will tell of your name to my brethren
 and praise you where they are assembled.
 'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
 all sons of Jacob, give him glory.
 Revere him, Israel's sons'. **R.**



De-us me-us, De-us me-us, qua-re me de-re-liqui-sti?

O my God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

Altar Servers

Men, Women, Boys and Girls

We need Altar Servers for the 9am, 11am and 5pm Masses. If you are interested please contact the Parish office or ring Margaret Clark on 479 2820.

Planned Giving

Planned Giving envelopes for the next financial year are available at all Masses today. The envelopes are labelled alphabetically by surname and can be found in the entrance after Mass today, and from the Parish Office during the week. Please ensure that the number on your new envelopes are the same as the number allocated to you from last year. Please collect your envelopes as it will save us the cost of postage.

As we come to the end of the tax year (31 March) it is a good time to review your financial commitment to the Parish. Any lump sum given before 31 March can be claimed in the current tax year. A tax rebate of 33.3% may be claimed on all your contributions. Tax receipts will be issued in April for the 2017/2018 financial year.

If you are not part of the Planned Giving programme you are very welcome to contribute to the Parish in this way. There are two ways to contribute to the Parish through the Planned Giving Programme;

- Direct Credit
- Planned Giving Envelopes

For more information or to become a Planned Giver, please contact the Parish Office or see a member of the Pastoral Team after Mass.

A Test of Faith

Those who attended the premiere launch of the documentary 'A Test of Faith' were treated to a wonderful insight into the construction work that has taken place over the past four years with the seismic strengthening of the Church. If you would like to see this amazing documentary you can purchase a DVD at Mass today or from the Parish Office. The cost is \$30 and all proceeds go to the Seismic Strengthening Fund.



Together We Stand

The 40 Days for Life closing event is being held today, Sunday 25 March at 12pm outside Wellington Hospital, Riddiford Street. This will be followed by a lunch and sharing time in St Anne's Hall. It's time to celebrate all God has accomplished over these 40 days. A plate of food would be appreciated if possible but not a requirement. All 40 Days for Life participants and supporters are invited!

Young Adults & Students

The SMAYAC's monthly adoration will restart 5 April at 6pm in the Church. Join us for an hour of prayer and reflection. We will then head out for dinner together to the Capital Market.

Home Needed for Lovely Refugee Family

We are desperately searching for a 4 bedroom place for a lovely refugee family of six to rent. The family have been renting a parish house in Mount Victoria on a temporary basis until another refugee family arrives from Afghanistan in 4 weeks. The family arrived in May 2017 and two of the children have been attending Wellington High School and one attending Aro Valley School, therefore a house in Wellington would be ideal. They have been paying \$300 a week and can probably afford \$350 a week. If you can help in any way please Contact Amanda Calder, Chairperson at the Refugee Family Reunification Trust on 04 475 7994 or email acalder@xtra.co.nz

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Inner Peace in Divine Love

An Ignatian First Spiritual Exercise retreat in daily life based on a programme developed by Australian, Michael Hanson SJ. Participants will meet weekly, under the guidance of trained guides, to pray and share in small groups their experience of prayer. The retreat is open to all and will be held at the Church of St Peter and Paul, 37 Dr Taylor Terrace, Johnsonville over five Thursday evenings - 12, 19, 26 April, 3 & 10 May, 7.30-9.30pm. To book or for further information contact Sarah Dench on 04 389 1038, 021 0814 4424 or email sarahdench@yahoo.com

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