

## For Your Diaries : 2011

**Monday 31 January (7.30-9pm) "Discipleship, Spirituality, Mission"**  
A lecture by Dr Anthony Gittins CSSp, Professor of Theology & Culture, Catholic Theological Union, Chicago. Connolly Hall, Hill Street, Cost \$10.  
**Contact:** Elizabeth Julian rsm 04 496 1713 or e.julian@wn.catholic.org.nz

### From February 2011 'Walk By Faith' Courses

A three-year adult distance learning course in Religious Studies.

**Contact:** Sr Eileen Brosnahan rsm wcec@wn.catholic.org.nz

Catholic Education Centre, PO Box 1937, Wellington. Ph 04 496 1718

**Sunday 13 February, from 2pm. "Our Lady of Lourdes" Annual Pilgrimage.** Beginning at St Patrick's Catholic Church, Paraparaumu all are invited to participate in the pilgrimage procession to the Statue of Our Lady of Lourdes, Paraparaumu. **Contact:** Kathleen Beaumont, 04 298 5817

**Monday 14 Feb "Celebrate Valentine's Day by Celebrating Marriage"**  
Join Archbishop John and celebrate the sacrament of marriage. Mass will be offered at 7.00pm, Sacred Heart Cathedral. All are welcome.

**Contact:** Louise Kelleher, ph 496 1796 l.kelleher@wn.catholic.org.nz

### 18-19 February "Seasons for Growth"

Supporting children and young people through experiences of bereavement and loss. Cost: \$115 Catholic Centre, Hill Street, Wellington.

**Contact:** Esther Saldanha 04 496 5182 e.saldanha@wn.catholic.org.nz

### 25 & 26 February 2011 Social Justice Hui

"Working for the common good: being salt and light." at Bishop Viard College, Porirua. Participants will be encouraged to promote Social Justice within the Parish. **Contact:** Ann Williams, Ph 04 496 1777

### Sunday 27 February 2011 - 75th Jubilee Holy Cross Parish Miramar

10.30am Mass followed by a 'meet and greet' and a Luncheon \$30.

**Contact:** Holy Cross Jubilee Committee, P O Box 15256 Miramar, holyx@xtra.co.nz

### 4-6 March 2011 Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, Wellington

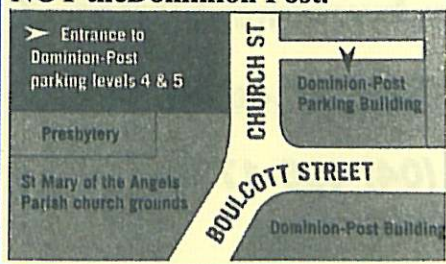
Healing for those whose lives have been touched by abortion.

**Contact:** Wendy Hill Ph 04 974 8693 or info@rachelsvineyard.org.nz

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**If your vehicle is locked in, you must contact the Presbytery NOT the Dominion Post.**



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# The Angelus

## St Mary of the Angels Parish

Church and Presbytery: 17 Boulcott Street, Wellington Central

Telephone: 473 8074 Facsimile: 473 8066

Parish Office Weekdays 9am to 4pm

Parish Website: 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*

## 30 January 2011: 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

### Celebrating Our Nation

A quick glance through the newspaper headlines will tell us that all is not well in New Zealand.

Those who have study commitments, face the prospect of accumulating substantial student debt. Those who have family commitments, face the tension of balancing time at home against time at work. Those in business live with the risks of economic recession while those who achieve professional success are often a target for jealous slurs.

We live, as people have ever lived, in 'interesting' times.

True happiness does not depend upon material riches or social status, any more than relative poverty condemns a person to despair. The truth is that whatever our circumstances, our longings, our worries or our triumphs, Christ is with us and as the Beatitudes so simply tell us, whatever brings us to God, brings us to eternal happiness.

We have much to celebrate as we turn our mind towards Waitangi Day on 6 February.

We are an immigrant nation, blessed with people from many cultures and traditions, as John Paul II reminded us during his visit in 1986. We travel and we come home again, full of stories. We eat, drink, sing and celebrate using the words we learned from our own families as well as those we have 'borrowed' from others. It is in our nature to want to care for our world and for each other. It's a lot to celebrate.

*Suzanne O'Rourke*  
Parishioner

### Parish Priest

Fr Barry Scannell SM

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Fr Chris Skinner SM

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Carol Kolkman

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### MASSES

**Sunday** 7am 9am 11am 5pm

**Monday to Friday** 7:30am 12:05pm

& 5:15pm

**Saturday** 11am

**Public Holidays** 9am

### EACH MONTH

**1st Saturday** Marian Devotions 10:30am

**4th Saturday** Sacrament of the Anointing at 11am Mass

### ADORATION

**Monday to Friday** 7am-7:30am

**Friday** 11am-noon

### RECONCILIATION

**Monday to Thursday** 11:30am-12pm

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

**Friday** 11am-12pm 12:30pm-1pm

4:30pm-5pm

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



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## This Week's Readings

**First Reading:** Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13

*In your midst I will leave a humble and lowly people.*

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

*God has chosen what is weak by human reckoning.*

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 5:1-12

*Happy are the poor in spirit.*

## Next Week's Readings

First Reading Isaiah 58:7-10

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

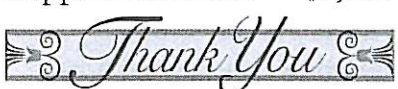
Gospel Matthew 5:13-16

## Last Sunday's Collection

Total \$4,626

Parish Expenses \$3,084

Support of House \$1,542



*Do we have your correct contact details?*

*If you are new to the Parish or wish to contribute by automatic payment or through planned giving envelopes, please contact Penny Holden at the Parish Office. smoamanager@xtra.co.nz*

## Mass has been offered for:

**Recently Deceased** Mark de Brabander (brother of Greta Fernie)

**Anniversaries** Winifred Hughes, Gregory and Clare Engel, John Kilkolly, Brian McKeown, Bill Brien, Glen Wilmhurst

## Prayers for the Sick

Patricia Smyth, Ron Blair, Cecilia Dickson, Da Van Luyn, Oinah Macpherson, Maria Kasperowicz, Des Cartright, Dulcie and David Campbell, Mary Egan, Paul Carr, Jan Tuinman, Anna Zonotti, Marion Hyland, Helen Havasi, Peter Schmidt, Mary Jarvis, Peter Tawhaki, Imelda Reeve, Vicki McPhee, Kathleen Roskam, Alexandra Southon, Marianna Grinskis, Veronica Nolan, Namoza Sidima-Jacob, Ollie Eagle

*If you know of anyone who is sick, confined to their home or who needs a visit with Holy Communion, please contact Sister Frances at the Parish Office. Phone 473 8074*

## Responsorial: Psalm 145

**R. Happy the poor in spirit;  
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!**

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,  
who is just to those who are oppressed.

It is he who gives bread to the hungry,  
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. R.

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,  
who raises up those who are bowed down,  
the Lord, who protects the stranger  
and upholds the widow and orphan. R.

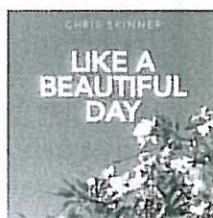
It is the Lord who loves the just  
but thwarts the path of the wicked.

The Lord will reign for ever,  
Zion's God, from age to age. R.

## Offertory Hymn For 11am Mass

No. 122: "Lord Make Me An Instrument Of  
Your Peace"

## 'God comes to us Like A Beautiful Day'.



The Latest Album from  
Fr Chris Skinner s.m. is now  
available from the Parish Office  
for \$33. The album contains 14  
original songs inspired by his time  
of renewal overseas in 2011.

## SMYACS Report

New Year Blessings to all from the St Mary of the Angels Young Adults Group. Here is a quick snapshot of our coming events.

### Leadership and organisation meeting, Sunday 30 January 6pm

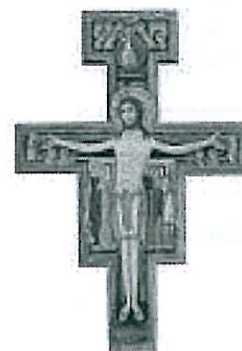
This Sunday, we have a get together with those interested in helping out with the leadership of SMAYACS for 2011. No obligation – just come and share your thoughts and never come again if you want to! We will meet after the 5pm Mass at the GP, for no longer than an hour. Please come along if you can!

### Vege collection Sunday 30 January

Please meet at the church car park at 1.10pm. Every two weeks the young adults group meet for about an hour to transport vegetables from the market to the soup kitchen. We always need a spare hand or two so come along if you can.

### Youth mass (13 February)

Each month we organise a Mass, which will begin in February. We always need collectors, readers and ministers so if you can help in any way, please email us. Musicians are especially welcome.



## Secular Franciscan Order (SFO)

Are you a Catholic feeling drawn to Franciscan prayer? Are you wanting to deepen your faith and your spiritual life? The Secular Franciscan Order meets monthly in Wellington. Our next meeting is at 2pm on Sunday, 6th February in the St. Patrick's Presbytery, 1 Childers Terrace, Kilbirnie. For more information phone Vonnie 938 9811 or Clare on 236 0275. *Pax et Bonum.*

## Recommended Reading...

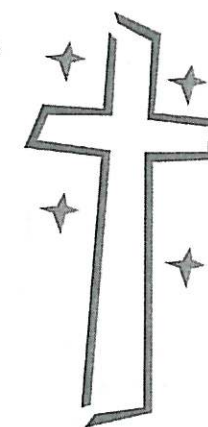
In the next issue of the NZ Catholic (www.nzcatholic.org.nz):

- Bishops of Dunedin, Hamilton and Auckland announce new postings for clergy.
- Marist Brothers farewell their provincial, Carl Tapp & provincial council members; new Provincial, Br David McDonald welcomed
- MacKillop art prize to young Palmerston North artist
- Catholic secondary school athletes stand out at national champs
- Catholicism's role in Nazism before World War II discussed
- Young Catholics dwell on Jesus' identity at Hearts A'flame



## Liturgy Notes

It is ten weeks since the introduction of the new wording for the people's responses in the Liturgy. While most of the spoken responses are already becoming familiar, the wording and the musical setting of the *Gloria*, are proving to be much more challenging. It may help to know that of all the changes in the Liturgy wording, parishes throughout the country report a similar experience with respect to learning the *Gloria*. This is to be expected, given that the new wording was introduced for Advent when, in preparation for Christmas, the *Gloria* is not said. Neither is the *Gloria* said during the season of Lent as we prepare for Easter. Our initial appreciation of this new setting is therefore likely to be formed over a period when the opportunity to listen and learn it, is limited.



It is common in Catholic Church tradition for the Liturgy to be expressed in a range of musical settings and the more frequently we hear and participate in the Mass, the more familiar these settings become. Over the next few weeks our Church musicians will be paying particular attention to the new *Gloria* at each Mass. We appreciate their leadership in this, particularly as they too have had limited time to learn the new settings.

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