

For Your Diaries : 2011

Monday 7th March Benefit Concert for Christchurch

The Sacred Heart Cathedral Choir and The Tudor Consort present Duruflé's *Requiem*. Concert begins at 5.30pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Entry by koha. Contact Rita Phelon Ph 04 496 1700

Tuesday 8th March Healing Service

Fr John Rea will be conducting a Healing Service at St Bernadette's Catholic Church, 194 Naenae Road, Tuesday 8th March at 7.30pm. All welcome. Contact Mary Boyle Ph 567 6316

Friday 11 - Sunday 13 March Beginning Experience Weekend

Beginning Experience is running another weekend programme for those who are widowed, separated or divorced. This residential Retreat programme is serves those of all faiths. Costs are \$250 for the weekend to help cover food, accommodation and the costs of associated resources. Contact Mike 04 232 2382 or Margaret 04 235 5489 or email WellingtonBE@xtra.co.nz

11 & 12 March "Carmelite Spirituality ... in Today's World"

Two talks on Carmelite Spirituality and the writings of St Teresa of Avila by Fr Greg Burke OCD. Supper or morning tea will be provided. Dates: Friday 11 March (7.00pm - 9.00pm) Sts Peter & Paul Church Hall, 60 Knights Rd Lower Hutt and Saturday 12 March (10.0am - 12.30pm) St Joseph's, Mt Victoria. Contact Mary Heffernan, ocds Ph 04 577 2835

28 - 30 October 2011 "Sacred Heart Basilica Timaru"

All former Parishioners and Friends are welcome to join in the Sacred Heart Basilica Timaru Centenary Celebrations. Registration phone 03 686 0694 or email basilica@hotmail.co.nz

Traditional Latin Mass

Mass is usually celebrated in Latin at St Mary of the Angels each Sunday at 12.30pm. However, this Mass will NOT be possible for Sunday 6 and 27 March. Contact Neil Coup Ph 021 896 924

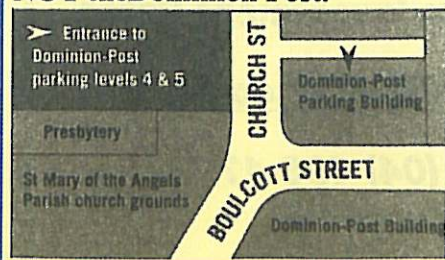
40DaysforLife Lenten Prayer and Fasting to bring an end to abortion.

Fridays of Lent: 10:30 am to 11.30 am. Prayer outside Wellington Hospital Archbishop Dew will lead the 7 p.m. vigil on Friday 15th April. Contact Maria 237 4939 or Clare 236 0275

SUNDAY MASS PARKING

Parking available for 9am, 11am and 5pm Masses on levels 4 & 5 ONLY of the Dominion Post parking building, Church Street. Entrance to these levels is from the western side of the building as shown in the map. Levels 4 & 5 open 30 minutes before each mass and are locked 30 minutes after 11am & 5pm masses.

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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

6 March 2011 : 9th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

Ash Wednesday

Next Wednesday 9 March we begin our Lenten Observance with the sign of the Cross on our forehead with Ashes. This reminds us that we are about to enter a time of penance, fasting and prayer for the next 40 days to prepare for the Lord's suffering, death and resurrection at Easter. Ashes will be distributed during our three Masses:

7.30am, 12.05pm and 5.15pm.

There is often a great deal of confusion about days of fast and abstinence during the Penitential Season of Lent.

The following is the Church's teaching:

- Lent begins next Wednesday.
- Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The law of **fasting** binds those who have completed their eighteenth year, until the beginning of the sixtieth year; the law of **abstinence** binds those who have completed their fourteenth year.
- Lent is a penitential season of prayer, self-denial and helping others. In this way the Church prepares for Easter along with those who are to be baptized.
- In Lent, the Gloria and the Alleluia are omitted at Mass.
- In Australia and New Zealand, Catholics are obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday, which this year is 19 June.

Many parishioners choose during this time to join others in attending daily Mass in our Church. That is a wonderful way to enter into the Spirit of Lent by receiving the Lord each day in the Eucharist.

Fr Barry Scannell s.m.

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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 12:30pm-1pm 4:30pm-5pm
Friday 11am-12pm 12:30pm-1pm 4:30pm-5pm
Saturday 10:30am-11am 4pm-5pm



INVEST IN YOUR FAITH

This Week's Readings

First Reading	Deuteronomy	11:18, 26-28, 32
<i>I set before you today a blessing and a curse.</i>		
Second Reading	Romans	3:21-25, 28
<i>You are justified by faith, not by law.</i>		
Gospel Reading	Matthew	7:21-27
<i>A wise person builds his house on rock, not on sand.</i>		

Next Week's Readings

First Reading	Genesis	2:7-9, 3:1-7
	Psalm 51	
Second Reading	Romans	5:12-19
Gospel	Matthew	4:1-11

Last Sunday's Collection

Total	\$4,336
Parish Expenses	\$2,890
Support of House	\$1,446



Planned Giving and Donations: As we come to the end of the tax year (31 March) now is a good time to review your financial commitment to the Parish over the past 12 months. Any lump sums given before 31 March can be claimed in the 2010-2011 tax year. A **tax rebate** of 33.3% may be claimed on all your contributions. Tax receipts will be issued in April. If you have changed your address, please advise the Parish Office.

Mass has been offered for:

- Recently Deceased** Scott Lucy, Olav Pultz, Namoza Sidima-Jacob
- Anniversaries** Rita Kirwan, Kathleen and William Benton, Liam and Katrina Benton, Fr Frank Reid, Selsa P Amazona, Cecilia R Amazona
- Prayers for the Sick** Patricia Smyth, Ron Blair, Cecilia Dickson, Oinah Macpherson, Maria Kasperowicz, Da Van Luyn, Des Cartright, Dulcie and David Campbell, Mary Egan, Jan Tuinman, Anna Zonotti, Marion Hyland, Helen Havasi, Peter Schmidt, Mary Jarvis, Paul Carr, Vicki McPhee, Kathleen Roskam, Alexandra Southon, Peter Tawhaki, Imelda Reeve, Marianna Grinskas, Veronica Nolan, Paul Gibbs, Maureen McDonald, Mary Foote
- 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 30

R. Lord, be my rock of safety.
In you, O Lord, I take refuge.
Let me never be put to shame.
In your justice, set me free,
hear me and speedily rescue me. **R.**

Be a rock of refuge to me,
a mighty stronghold to save me,
for you are my rock, my stronghold.
For your name's sake, lead me and guide me. **R.**

Let your face shine on your servant.
Save me in your love.
Be strong, let your heart take courage,
all who hope in the Lord. **R.**



Offertory Hymn For 11am Mass

No 200 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Christchurch Earthquake Appeal



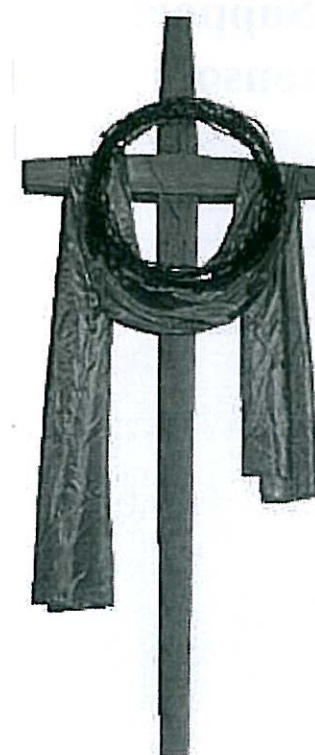
A total of \$236 has so far been collected and forwarded to Caritas for their Christchurch Earthquake relief work. Donations may still be made for this appeal - please use the Appeal envelopes provided.

Lenten Preparation

Stations of the Cross - 6pm Fridays
On each of the Fridays during Lent, the devotion of praying the Passion of Christ and meditating on the Stations of the Cross will be held in the Church. This begins on Friday 11th March.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Those who have been participating in the RCIA programme since last August will soon begin the final part of their preparation for being received into the Church at the Easter Vigil. On Sunday 13th March at the 5pm Mass, the group of Candidates and Catechumens will be invited to make a formal commitment in faith, in the Rite of Election. Throughout these final weeks of their journey to Easter, please keep all who are involved in this programme in your prayers.



Almsgiving, Prayer and Fasting

In addition to the extraordinary appeal to assist those affected by the Christchurch earthquake, Catholic aid agency Caritas are making a Lenten appeal for their humanitarian work throughout New Zealand and internationally. Envelopes have been prepared for each week throughout Lent, providing a useful prompt for prayer and reflection.

Visiting The Sick

Visiting the sick is an important expression of our Parish character. It allows those who are unable to attend Mass to receive Communion and be connected with the practice of their faith and affirms the respect in which they are held by the wider Parish community.

Sacramental Programme for Children

The first Parents Evening for the 2011 Sacramental Programme (First Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion) for children in Year 4 and above is on Tuesday 15 March. Registration forms are on the tables at the Back and Side Doors of the Church.
Contact: Bede Clarke 478 4202.

Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women

There is a meeting **Saturday 19th March 10am - 3.30pm** Connolly Hall Guildford Terrace (off Hill St) Thorndon. Speaker: Maria Vadia from USA. All Women welcome to join us. Please bring your own lunch, tea and coffee provided doors open at 9.30am.
Enquiries: Sandra 475 5541 or visit www.dove.org.nz

SMAYACS

St Mary of the Angels Young Adult Catholics

Next Youth Mass (13 March)

The SMAYACS group organise a Mass for the second Sunday of every month, with our next one being at 5pm on 13 March. Please contact us if you can help with preparations for this Mass.

Vegetable collection for the Soup Kitchen (13 March)

Each fortnight we meet at the St Mary of the Angels Church car park at 1.15pm and drive together to the market. In total, this activity takes around an hour.

To contact us with any ideas, comments or questions, please email smayacs@gmail.com

ICPE Worship Night, (11 March & 25 March, Friday, 7.30pm) St Gerard's Monastery, 75 Hawker Street, Mt Victoria. Theme: God's Glory Revealed.

Speaker: Maria Vadia, USA. The ICPE Mission is a lay Catholic missionary community committed to evangelisation training for young Catholics. They run parish missions, school retreats, discipleship courses, seminars etc. Email icpe.nz@gmail.com or call (04) 8017797 for more information.

Catholic Social Services want to provide a reminder to people that counselling and social work services are available through their offices in Wellington. They encourage those with family or loved ones in Christchurch who would like support at this time to contact them.

Offers of accommodation in Wellington will be passed onto CSS in Christchurch for families in need of some time out. It is important to remember that peoples' needs will be on-going for quite some time so offers of accommodation over the next several weeks or months may still be required.

Contact: Lesley Hooper, ph 385 8642 or reception@wn-catholicsocialservices.org.nz

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