For Your Diaries: 2011

Mondays in Lent - Caritas Lenten Reflection Group

The Caritas Lenten Reflection Group will be meeting each Monday evening during Lent. Contact Moyra Pearce Ph 384 4672

Tuesday 22 March - St Vincent de Paul Meeting

The St Vincent de Paul Group are to have a Community meeting on 22nd March in the Church Hall. New members welcome.

Wednesday 23 March - St Mary of the Angels Guardians Meeting The Guardians will gather on Wed 23 March at 1.30pm in the Presbytery. Guardians spend one hour per week in the Church being 'presence' so that the Church can be open to the public. New members welcome.

26 March Variety Concert for Christchurch, St Patrick's Silverstream A variety concert featuring Douglas Mews (Wellington City Organist) and Martin Riseley (NZSM) will be held at St Patrick's College Silverstream, 207 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt at 7.30pm. Be early!

Sunday 27 March 2.30pm (Voice For Life Wellington Branch AGM) The Wellington Branch of Voice For Life will be holding its AGM in the Bill Pearce Room at St Joseph's Catholic Church, Mt Victoria on 27 March from 2.30pm. Contact Suzanne O'Rourke email suzanneor@gmail.com

Sunday April 10 - St Matthew's Passion, IS Bach

This concert performance in the Wellington Town Hall, begins at 6.30pm.

Traditional Latin Mass will be celebrated here at St Mary of the Angels, 12.30pm, THIS Sunday. However no Latin Mass is possible next Sunday, 27 March. Contact Neil Coup Ph 021 896 924

3-5 June (Queen's Birthday Weekend) Centennial Jubilee Reunion of St Joseph's School & Parish, Upper Hutt. Information and registration forms are available at www.stjosephsuh.com. Contact Parish Office email: stjosephsuh@actrix.co.nz. Ph 528 2028, PO Box 40-225 Upper Hutt 5018.

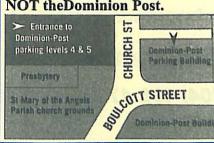
17-19 June Rachel's Vineyard Retreat (Wellington)

A weekend Retreat of spiritual and emotional healing for those whose lives have been touched by abortion. All enquiries are strictly confidential. Contact Wendy Hill info@rachelsvineyard.org.nz or 027 733 2990

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 buliding as shown in the map. Levels 4 & 5 open 30 minutes before each mass and are locked 30 minutes after 11am & 5pm masses. If your vehicle is locked in, you

must contact the Presbytery NOT the Dominion Post.







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St Mary of the Angels Parish

Church and Presbytery: 17 Boulcott Street, Wellington Central

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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

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MASSES

Sunday 7am 9am 11am 5pm

Monday to

7:30am 12:05pm & 5:15pm

Friday

11am

Saturday

Public Holidays 9am

EACH MONTH

1st Saturday Marian Devotions10:30am 4th Saturday Sacrament of the

Anointing at 11am Mass

ADORATION

Monday to Friday 7am-7:30am

Friday

11am-noon

RECONCILIATION

Monday to 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

20 March 2011: Second Sunday in Lent Year A

Supporting the Parish

St Mary of the Angels is noted for more than its architectural charms. It is known and loved by many as a place of prayer and reflection in the midst of our nation's capital city. On fine days, city workers and visitors use the gardens and inside, members of the Guardians Group ensure the church can remain open for visitors at times outside of the scheduled Liturgies. The church is in all respects, a prayerful presence in our community. As it should be.

As we turn our mind towards the realities of Lent and the promise of Easter, we might also consider what is our daily experience of Christ in our community. For those in central Wellington, this includes an opportunity for daily Mass and Reconciliation and participation in a community of worship.

Since the earliest of times in Wellington, the core Parish Community of St Mary of the Angels has never experienced the building and maintaining of this parish to be an easy task. Relatively few in number, the Parish roll has always reflected the tension in people's lives between times of stability and transience, crisis and calm, celebration and sadness, plenty and lean.

There are a number of ways to support the work of the Parish both prayerfully and financially. At a practical level, can I urge you to consider:

- Automatic Payments arrangements for electronic giving can be made by contacting the Parish Office
- Planned Giving Envelopes for those who already contribute through envelopes, the set for 2011-2012 is now available and can be collected from Our Lady's side of the Church. More envelope sets are available for new donors from the Parish Office
- Lump Sum Donations or Bequests as we come to the end of the tax year (31 March) it may be useful to review your financial commitment to the Parish.

Tax receipts for all contributions will be issued in April. Please check that we have your correct postal address and advise the Parish Office of any amendments. Your commitment and support is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Barry Scannell s.m. Parish Priest

INVEST IN YOUR FAITH

This Week's Readings

First Reading	Genesis	12:1-4
The call of Abraham,	the father of God's pe	eople.
Second Reading	2 Timothy	1:8-10
God has saved us and o	called us to be holy.	
Gospel Reading	Matthew	17:1-9

His face shone like the sun.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading	Exodus	17:3-7
	Psalm 94	
Second Reading	Romans	5:1-2, 5-8
Gospel	John	4:5-42

Last Sunday's Collection

Total	\$5,065
Parish Expenses	\$3,376
Support of House	\$1,689
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Reminder:

Planned Giving Envelopes can now be collected from the Church

Automatic Payments, Donations and Bequests

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 contributions.

Tax receipts will be issued in April. Please check that we have your correct postal address and advise the Parish Office of any amendments. Thank you.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased Doris Trott (mother of David Trott)

Anniversaries

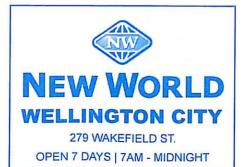
Coralie Leyland

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 Grinskis, Veronica Nolan, Maureen McDonald, Mary Foote, Fr Paul Duncan, Maryvac Del Rosario, Mary Buchanan

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







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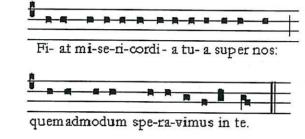
Responsorial Psalm 32

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. R.

The Lord looks on those who revere him. on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death. to keep them alive in famine. R.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. R.



Let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in thee.

Offertory Hymn For 11am Mass

No 157 "Dear Lord And Father Of Mankind"

Note: Choir Practice Times

Choir of St Mary of the Angels - Thursdays at 7.30pm Young Angel Voices - Thursdays at 4.30pm Schola Cantorum (Youth) - Fridays at 5.30pm

Lenten Reflection - Week Two



'Glory and praise to you Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him."

Lord Jesus, you stay with us in the darkness of the unknown. Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you calm our fears. Christ have mercy. Lord Jesus, you invite us to share in your glory. Lord have mercy.

Stations of the Cross - 6pm each Friday during Lent

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. All are most welcome.

Lenten Meditations - 12.30pm each Thursday during Lent Weekly Lenten Meditations will be held on Thursday throughout the season of Lent. The short, 20-minute liturgy begins immediately following mid-day Mass and consists of readings, prayer and singing led by members of the Choir.

Holding Members of the RCIA Programme in Prayer

These last few weeks leading up to the Easter Vigil are particularly important for our RCIA members as they prepare to be received fully into the Catholic Church. Their prayerful commitment throughout this programme of enquiry is an inspiring example of faith to our whole Church community. Please continue to hold each of the RCIA Elect, their Sponsors and God-parents, their family and friends in your prayers.

Lost property

During Lent and Easter, we welcome many who may not normally visit St Mary of the Angels. If anyone discovers they have lost some property, please contact the Parish Office. All items of lost property not claimed will be forwarded to the Society of St Vincent de Paul after Easter.

Catholic Social Services wish to remind people that counselling and social work services are available through their offices in Wellington. Those with family or loved ones in Christchurch who would like support at this time are encouraged to contact them. Accommodation and on-going help for those affected by the earthquakes will be required for some time to come. Contact: Lesley Hooper, ph 385 8642 or email: reception@wn-catholicsocialservices.org.nz.

SMAYACS

St Mary of the Angels Young Adult Catholics

Interfaith Potluck Dinner (20 March) St Mary of the Angels is hosting an Interfaith Potluck Dinner for people of different faiths to get together. It will be held in the Parish hall straight after the 5pm mass. If you would like to come and share in the festivities, please bring along a plate to share.

Vegetable collection for the Soup Kitchen (27 March, 1.40-2.30pm)

Each fortnight we meet at the St Mary of the Angels Church car park at 1.40pm and drive together to the market.

Theology on Tap (27 March, 6.30pm) Make sure you diary the next "Theology on Tap" at the Hotel Bristol on Cuba Street. The group normally meets after the 5pm Mass and walks down together.

Youth Mass (10 April at 5pm)

The SMAYACS group organise a Mass for the second Sunday of every month. Offers of help with Mass preparation appreciated.

Holy Hour (3rd Thursday each month) The SMAYACS group organise a Holy Hour on the third Thursday of each month, from 6pm-7pm. A great opportunity for quiet time, prayer, music and reflection. To contact us with any ideas, comments or questions, please email smayacs@gmail.com

ICPE Worship Night (25 March, 7.30pm) St Gerard's Monastery, 75 Hawker Street. Worship Night (21 March, 7.30pm) at St Joseph's Church, 1 Pine Ave, Upper Hutt. Speaker: Maria Vadia, USA. ICPE is a lay Catholic missionary community committed to evangelisation training and mission formation for young Catholics. Email icpe.nz@gmail.com or call (04) 8017797

The Caritas Lenten Collection from last week amounted to \$677. Thank you.





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