

For Your Diaries : 2011

Traditional Latin Mass at St Mary of the Angels will be celebrated this Sunday at 12.30pm. **Contact** Neil Coup Ph 021 896 924

Sunday 3 April Secular Franciscan Order Meeting - all welcome.

St Patrick's Presbytery, 1 Childers Terrace, Kilbirnie at 2pm.

Contact Vonnie on 938 9811 or Clare on 236 0275.

PA MARIA (the Marist Spirituality Centre, 78 Hobson St, Thorndon)

Workshops on a range of contemporary themes - all are welcome. Space is limited so please ph 472 2734 to ensure a place. Payment is by koha.

Saturday 9th April, 9am - 12.30pm. Fr Brian Cummings sm.

Movies: how they can promote fuller lives.

Thursday 14th April, 7.00pm - 9.00pm. Fr Jeff Drane sm.

Managing Money: Finding answers to your money management questions.

Saturday 16th April, 9.30am - 3.30pm. Fr Peter Healy sm.

Ecology & Spirituality: Spiritual dynamics for moving to a life sustaining future.

For a list of the April Events at the Josephite Retreat Centre, Whanganui please phone 345 5047 ext 3 or email ssjoseph@xtra.co.nz

Sunday 10 April in the Crypt, 7.15pm. Communio Discussion Group

"The way from Emmaus to us." An insightful exposition by a Cistercian scripture scholar of the links between scripture and the Eucharist in this key post-resurrection Road to Emmaus journey. All are most welcome.

Contact Leo or Mary Buchanan ph384 4760, email: leobuchanan@xtra.co.nz

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

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

Saturday 16th April 1.30pm - 3.30pm Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women.

Meeting at Connolly Hall Guildford Terrace (off Hill St) Thorndon. Join us for Praise, Worship, Teaching & Fellowship. **Contact** Sandra 475 5541 www.dove.org.nz

Palm Sunday 17 April Concert for the Maxwell Fernie Trust.

The Bach Choir will perform "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Theodore Dubois. The concert starts at 7pm at St Mary of the Angels Church. Leaflets are at the back of the Church. All welcome.

Sunday 1 May 2011, at 3pm. Baroque Voices

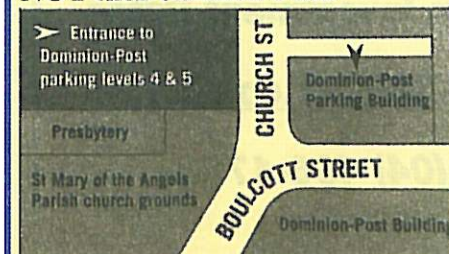
Concert 1: Book One (1587) & selections from Book Nine (1651)

Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hill Street, Wellington. **Contact** Pepe Becker email:

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

3 April 2011 : Fourth Sunday in Lent Year A

Pastoral Letter to the Archdiocese

Archbishop John Dew has asked that a Pastoral Letter be read at all Masses today. In his covering note he is mindful that he does not want to interrupt the Lenten reflective time but the letter contains important issues regarding future decisions that need to be made in the Archdiocese. The letter is published in full on page three of this month's issue of the WELCOM.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross are prayed in our Church each Friday evening during Lent after the 5.15pm Mass. It is a very prayerful and appropriate liturgy on a Friday (the day of which Jesus died) as we walk with him on his journey to Calvary.

We are all very aware of the pain, suffering and death as a result of the earthquake in Christchurch. Liz Pearce, a pastoral worker in the Rotorua Parish has given voice to New Zealand's greatest natural disaster by preparing: **'The Christchurch Stations of the Cross'**. These have appeared in the April edition of the Marist Messenger and will be prayed using our Data Projector and appropriate music next Friday evening 8 March after the 5.15pm Mass.

Planned Giving Envelopes

If you have not yet collected your Planned Giving Envelopes for the next financial year they are available on the table at the side of the Church. Receipts for the last financial year will be posted this week. If you would like to support the Parish through direct debit or planned giving envelopes please contact the Parish Office.

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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



INVEST IN YOUR FAITH

This Week's Readings

First Reading 1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13
In the presence of the Lord God, they anointed David king of Israel.

Second Reading Ephesians 5:8-14
Rise from the dead and Christ will shine on you.

Gospel Reading John 9:1-41
The blind man went off and washed himself and came away with his sight restored.

Next Week's Readings


First Reading Ezekiel 37:12-14
Psalm 129

Second Reading Romans 8:8-11

Gospel John 11:1-45

Last Sunday's Collection

Total	\$5,274
Parish Expenses	\$1,758
Support of House	\$3,516

 Caritas Christchurch Earthquake Appeal total to date: \$829

Last week's Caritas Lenten Collection amounted to \$775



Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased Mildred Kudoztsa

Anniversaries Fr Mark Beban sm, Fr Bob Ryan, Leo Connolly.

Prayers for the Sick Bishop Barry Jones, Fr Paul Duncan, Mary Buchanan, Kevin Mayo, Bernadette Coup, Sue Lyons Marion Hyland, Alexandra Southon, Patricia Smyth, Ron Blair, Anna Zonotti, Mary Jarvis, Paul Carr, Vicki McPhee, Kathleen Roskam, Peter Tawhaki, Imelda Reeve, Maureen McDonald, Mary Foote, Maryvac Del Rosario.
Please remember in your prayers, these and the other sick of the Parish. If you know of anyone who is 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 22 (23)

**R. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.**

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**

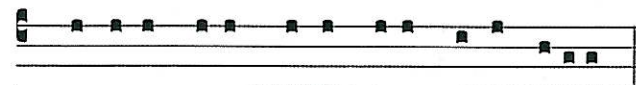
He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort. **R.**

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **R.**



Dóminus regit me, et nihil mi-hi dé-erit:

The Lord ruleth me, and I shall want nothing.

Offertory Hymn For 11am Mass

No 58 "The Lord's My Shepherd"

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 Four



*Lord Jesus, you accept our
humanity. Lord, have mercy.*

*Lord Jesus, you open our eyes to
the needs of each other.*

Christ have mercy.

*Lord Jesus, with you we are
children of light.*

Lord have mercy.

The tradition of singing the Passion story began in the early centuries of the Christian church. To add solemnity to Holy Week services, Priests would chant the appointed Gospel account rather than simply read it and by the 13th century, these intonations had developed into dramatic narrations with soloists playing the key roles.

A beautiful Good Friday liturgy which developed in this tradition is that of meditating on the 'seven last words of Christ'. These 'last words' are the final seven phrases spoken by Christ from the Cross as reported in the Gospels.

"The Seven Last Words"

Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do. *Luke 23:33-34*

Today you will be with me in Paradise. *Luke 23:39-43*

Woman, here is your son. *John 19:25-27*

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? *Mark 15:33-34*

I am thirsty. *John 19:28*

It is finished. *John 19:29-30*

Father, into your hands I commend my Spirit. *Luke 23:46*

The Fourth Sunday in Lent is also known as 'Rose Sunday' and offers a glimmer of the glory of Easter, still two weeks away. The Gospel reflects the promise that through Jesus we can overcome spiritual blindness and the darkness of sin. Implicit in this, is the invitation to each of us to walk as children of light.

Our prayer for this week might be:

O Holy Spirit....Replace the tension within, with holy relaxation. Replace the turbulence with a sacred calm. Replace anxiety with a quiet confidence. Replace the fear with a strong faith. Replace the darkness with a gentle light. Replace the bitterness with the sweetness of your Grace. Replace the coldness within with a gentle warmth.

O my loving Jesus, by the power of your Spirit make of me, a 'praise of glory' to the Father. *Amen.*

SMAYACS

St Mary of the Angels Young Adult Catholics

SMAYACS BBQ (3 April)

We will be holding a BBQ after the 5pm Mass today. Please come along and have some dinner and a chat with us to toast the end of summer!

Youth Mass and movie night (10 April)

The next youth Mass is on the 10th of April - please email in if you can help out in any way. We will also hold a movie night after Mass in the Crypt with fish and chips.

Helping refugee children with English

The Wellington Somali Council are looking for volunteers to help refugee children with their homework. The group meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-6pm at 310 Taranaki Street (opposite Wellington High School). Tutors don't need to commit to coming every week, but the organisers do prefer to know in advance who is going to come. They appreciate people with university degrees, and as many students are Muslim, tutors need to be willing to respect the customs of that religion. Contact: wellingtonsomali@extra.co.nz
To contact us with any ideas, comments or questions, please email smayacs@gmail.com

St Mary's College, Wellington is having

an open Day on Tuesday 24 May 2011, between 8am and 10am. Contact: Principal's Assistant Ph 473 5554 or visit www.st-marys-wellington.school.nz

Stations of the Cross each Friday

The devotion of praying the Passion of Christ and meditating on the Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday during Lent after the 5.15pm Mass.

Lenten Meditations - 12.30pm each Thursday during Lent

A 20-minute liturgy of readings, prayer and singing led by members of the Choir, will immediately follow the mid-day Mass on Thursdays during Lent.


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