

For Your Diaries : 2011

Sunday 14 August Communion Discussion Group, 7.15pm

The next Communion Group meets in the Presbytery Boardroom and will look at "Anointing". This article traces the significance of anointing in the Old Testament as a fore-runner to Christ's Baptismal anointing. Contact Leo or Mary Buchanan, 387 8284 or leobuchanan@xtra.co.nz.

Monday 15 August, Feast of the Assumption Vespers, 7.30pm

To mark the Feast of the Assumption, the Choir will sing Vespers in the Church at 7.30pm. All are most welcome to join this beautiful and prayerful experience.

Friday 26 August, Wellington Branch St Vincent de Paul, Annual Mass

Mass to celebrate Blessed Frederick Ozanam will be held 5.30-6pm above the St Vincent de Paul Shop, Riddiford Street. All welcome. RSVP 389 7122.

Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 August, Stewardship Institute

Held at St Patrick's College Kilbirnie. The themes covered are the Theology and Spirituality of Stewardship, gratitude, responsibility, generosity and Stewardship in Action. Cost \$220 for the weekend. Enrolment forms from the Parish Office.

29 October Voice For Life Song Competition entries close

Entries for the 4th national pro-life song competition close on 29 October. Cash prizes of over \$4000 plus tickets to the 2012 Parachute Festival. Two categories: Open and Students. Finals are judged live on 3rd December 2011 in Auckland. More information at: www.voiceforlife.bravehost.com/index.html

11-13 November 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 027 254 9222 or info@rachelvineyard.org.nz

Winter Dialogue Series: Social Justice

- **Wed 7 September (7.30-9pm) Speaker:** Grant Robertson MP.
- **Wed 14 September (7.30-9pm) Speaker:** Hon Bill English, Deputy PM and Minister of Finance, Minister for Infrastructure.

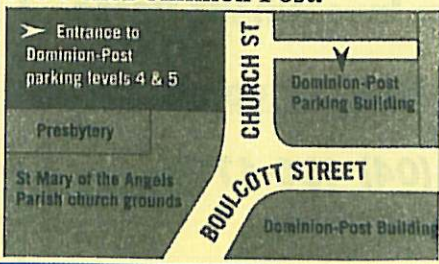
"On a level playing field—striving for the common good." Venue: Bill Pearce Room, St Joseph's Mt Victoria. Each 30min session followed by discussion and supper. Koha for the Refugee Family Reunification Trust.

Traditional Latin Mass each Sunday of August, 12.30pm at St Mary of the Angels. Contact Neil Coup: 021-896-924.

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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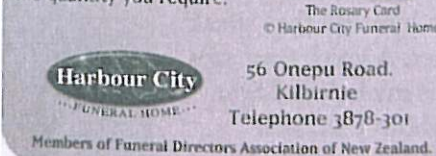
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Church and Presbytery: 17 Boulcott Street, Wellington Central

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

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MASSES

Sunday 7am 9am 11am 5pm

Monday to 7:30am 12:05pm

Friday & 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 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

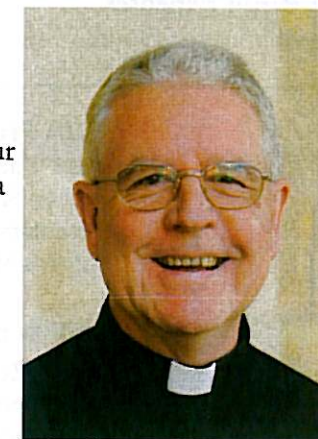
7 August 2011 : 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Public Lecture, Wednesday 17 August

One of the joys of being located in central Wellington is the opportunity to offer hospitality to those visiting the city. Fr Justin Taylor sm is well-known to St Mary of the Angels and will again be with our Marist community as he prepares and delivers a public lecture.

Topic: "Reading the Bible in the time of Father Colin and Bishop Pompallier"

Date: Wednesday 17 August, 5.30pm in the Parish Hall at St Mary of the Angels.



Fr Justin is retiring Professor of New Testament at the Ecole Biblique et Archeologique Francaise in Jerusalem. He is author of *The Origins of Christianity* (1998) and *Where Did Christianity Come From?* (2001). In this lecture he will consider how the Bible was being understood at the time of the foundation of the Church in New Zealand. An opportunity to learn about our own faith story, from a gifted and erudite speaker.

Friends of St Mary of the Angels Trust AGM

The Friends of St Mary of the Angels Charitable Trust extends a welcome to all Parishioners and adult members of their family to attend our AGM on Saturday, 20 August. The evening commences with a special Mass in the Church at 6 p.m. followed by the Annual General Meeting which will be held in the Marist Community Room in the Presbytery. Light refreshments will be served. As we need to know the numbers for catering please send an email advising your name and the number attending by noon Wednesday, August 17 to: jwloader@paradise.net.nz or leave a message with the Parish office on 473-8074.

We hope you will be able to join us so that we can update you on a number of important Trust and Parish projects. A copy of the 2010/11 Annual Report and Financial Review will be available at the meeting if you have not already received a copy. A warm welcome awaits.



INVEST IN YOUR FAITH

This Week's Readings

First Reading 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13
Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.

Second Reading Romans 9:1-5
I would willingly be condemned if it helped my people.

Gospel Reading Matthew 14:22-33
Command me to come to you over the water.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading Isaiah 56:1, 6-7
 Psalm 66 (67)

Second Reading Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Gospel Matthew 15:21-28

Last Sunday's Collection

Total \$4,463
 Parish Expenses \$3,169
 Support of House \$1,294

Thank You



RCIA Programme Enquiry Evening

Date: Tuesday 16 August, 7.30pm—9pm
 Venue: St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall
 Presenters: Fr Tom O'Connor sm, Jo Walton, Kathryn MacIver and Suzanne O'Rourke

Lions Clubs: ReCycle for Sight

The Lions Clubs of New Zealand are collecting unwanted prescription and non-prescription spectacles for distribution to communities across the Pacific. Eye-care professionals will check each pair of glasses and may be able to re-use old frames or lenses. A collection box is at the back of the Church.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased Dr Tony Quin, Rose Capone

Anniversaries Zita Outtrim, Colleen Ruakere, Lee Pledger, Maria Sledzinska, James Baird, Joan Young.

Prayers for the Sick Eileen Nevin, Margo Chrustowski, Maryvac de Rosario, Mary Egan, Dulcie Campbell, Oinah Macpherson, Maureen McDonald, Patricia Smyth, Ron Blair, Anna Zonotti, Mary Jarvis, Paul Carr, Peter Tawhaki, Cecilia Dickson, Jan Tuinman, Lizzie McKay, Maria Kasperowicz, Marion Hyland, Ron Finlayson, Vic Valdez, Helen Havasi.



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 is Parish Office. Phone 473 8074

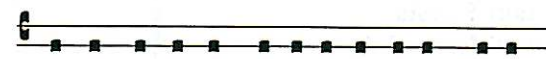
Responsorial Psalm 84 (85)

R. Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

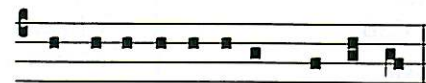
I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. **R.**

Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. **R.**

The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. **R.**



Ostende no-bis mi-se-ri-cordi- am tu- am:



et sa-lu-ta-re tu- um da no-bis.

Show us thy mercy and grant us thy salvation.

Offertory Hymn For 11am Mass

No 157 "Dear Lord And Father Of Mankind"
 verses 1, 2, 4 and 5

Reflection: They Saw His Glory

Recent Mass readings have included the Transfiguration of Jesus, the event reported in Matthew (17:1-9, Mark 9:2-28, Luke 9:28-36 and 2 Peter 1: 16-18) in which his divine nature is revealed to three of the Apostles.

According to these accounts Jesus, accompanied by Peter, James and John, go to pray in quiet at the top of a mountain. Once there, Jesus becomes transfigured before them; his face shining as the sun, and his garments white as the light. The prophets Moses and Elijah appear next to him and they speak together. A voice then says "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him". When the disciples fall to the ground in fear, Jesus touches them, telling them not to be afraid. The disciples look up. They no longer see Elijah or Moses, but they recognise the voice. It is God the Father, who spoke similarly at the Baptism of Jesus.

The Transfiguration is a powerful miracle, unique in that it happens to Jesus himself. Thomas Aquinas describes the Transfiguration as, "the greatest miracle" in that it complemented Jesus' baptism and showed the perfection of life in Heaven.

In Church teaching, the Transfiguration reveals a crucial point about the truly Divine nature of Christ. The mountain setting presents a point where human nature meets God: a meeting place for the temporal and the eternal, with Jesus the bridge between heaven and earth.

The words in the Transfiguration, "listen to him", identifies Jesus as God's messenger and mouth-piece. The presence of Elijah and Moses, in their own right recognised and revered, underlines the closeness of the relationship Jesus has with God the Father. He is the Son, and speaks with divine authority.

Lord, grant us a new vision of your glory, a new experience of your power, a new faithfulness to your Word. Amen

Reflection drafted by Juliet Palmer Halasz, Parishioner



Transfiguration by Lodovico Carracci

SMAYACS

St Mary of the Angels Young Adult Catholics

Young Adult Mass (Sunday 14th August)
 Once a month the 5pm Mass is led by the Young Adults. If you are interested in reading, singing, playing an instrument or helping in any way, please contact us by email. We would love to have you involved!

Holy Hour (Thursday 18th August)
 Third Thursday of every month, 6-7pm at St Mary of the Angels Church.

Theology in the Pub (Sunday 28 August)
 Venue: Hotel Bristol, Cuba Street at 6.30pm
 The topic and the speaker will be advised.

Email: smayacs@gmail.com

Prayer for World Youth Day, Madrid

Dates: 11—16 August, 2011

Friend and Lord Jesus Christ,
 How great You are!
 With Your words and Works You have revealed to us Who God is, Your Father and our Father, and Who You are: our Saviour.



You call us to be with You. We wish to follow You wherever You go.

We thank You for Your Incarnation. We thank You for having remained amongst us in the Eucharist.

Your Presence, Your Sacrifice, Your Banquet Invite us to remain always united to You. You Call us to work with You.

We wish to go wherever You send us: to announce Your name, to heal in Your Name, to bring all of our brothers to You.

Grant us Your Holy Spirit, to enlighten and strengthen us.

The Virgin Mary, the Mother You gave us on the cross, always encourages us to do what You say. You are our Life. May our thoughts, our love and our actions always be rooted in You! You are our Rock. May our faith in You always be the solid foundation of our life!

We pray for Pope Benedict XVI, for the Bishops and for all those who are preparing the World Youth Day in Madrid.

Amen



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