

## For Your Diaries : 2011

**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.

**Tuesday 16 August, St Vincent de Paul Meeting, 6pm**

The August meeting is in the Parish Hall. All are most welcome.

**Thursday 18 August, Joshua Men's Fellowship Meeting, 7.30pm**

An invitation to all men to come and join the Praise and Worship meeting at Connolly Hall, Thorndon. Speaker: Michael Powell. Contact David 387 9714

**Saturday 20 August, Dove Women's Fellowship Retreat, 9.30am-9.30pm**

All women are invited to this one-day Retreat to be held at the Mercy Centre, 15 Guildford Terrace, Thorndon. Theme: "Come to the Father's Heart."

Registration and information: contact Sandra 475 5541 or visit [www.dover.org.nz](http://www.dover.org.nz)

**Saturday 20 August, Concert by Fr Chris Skinner sm, 5.30pm**

A concert by Fr Chris Skinner in support of the Refugee Reunification Trust is to be held at St Joseph's, Mt Victoria, followed by an Ethiopian meal Door sales \$20

**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.

**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**

"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.

**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.

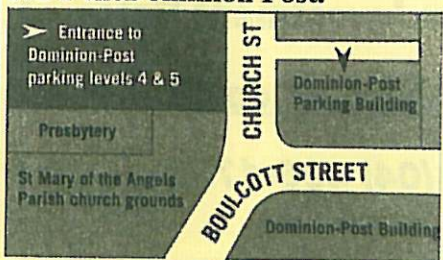
Contact Wendy Hill 027 254 9222 or [info@rachelvineyard.org.nz](mailto:info@rachelvineyard.org.nz)

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

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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](http://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*

### Parish Priest

Fr Barry Scannell SM

[smoapp@extra.co.nz](mailto:smoapp@extra.co.nz)

### Assistant Priests

Fr Tom O'Connor SM

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** 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

**14 August 2011 : 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A**

### Rugby World Cup — Visitor Hosting

Archbishop John advises that the Church has partnered with an organisation called **Engage**, to assist with chaplaincy, hosting and support activities around the Rugby World Cup.

The idea behind **Engage** is to equip Churches to be part of this major national event by offering hospitality, specifically free bed and breakfast, for team members, their close friends and support people who will be visiting New Zealand during the tournament.

While most Churches in New Zealand have been given this opportunity to serve and show hospitality, the Catholic Church is coordinating the **Cantab Hosting Programme**, where people from Canterbury can apply to link with a host family for three nights in locations where games that were due to be hosted in Canterbury are now being played.

Please consider being part of this programme. More information, including the Rugby World Cup match schedule is available at [www.engagenz.org/hosting.html](http://www.engagenz.org/hosting.html).

### NZ World Youth Day 16-21 August

Couldn't get to Madrid for World Youth Day? Then think about the New Zealand World Youth Day Experience (NZWYDE).

Archbishop John has issued an invitation to join with young people gathering from across the Archdiocese to celebrate World Youth Day in Wellington. The invitation is open to everyone and particularly those aged between 15-25 years.

Date: Saturday 20 August 10am -10pm.

Venue: Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Hill Street, Thorndon.

Cost: There is no charge, but a Koha of \$10 would be appreciated (lunch and dinner are provided).

For full details, go to the Archdiocese of Wellington website or search for NZWYDE on Facebook. Registrations can be made by emailing [NZWYDE@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:NZWYDE@wn.catholic.org.nz) or through the Facebook event page.

Fr Barry Scannell s.m.

Parish Priest



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## This Week's Readings

<b>First Reading</b>	<b>Isaiah</b>	<b>56:1, 6-7</b>
<i>I will lead the foreigners to my holy mountain.</i>		
<b>Second Reading</b>	<b>Romans</b>	<b>11:13-15, 29-32</b>
<i>The gifts and call of God are irrevocable.</i>		
<b>Gospel Reading</b>	<b>Matthew</b>	<b>15:21-28</b>
<i>Woman, you have great faith.</i>		

## Next Week's Readings

<b>First Reading</b>	<b>Isaiah</b>	<b>22:19-23</b>
	<b>Psalm</b>	<b>137 (138)</b>
<b>Second Reading</b>	<b>Romans</b>	<b>11:33-36</b>
<b>Gospel</b>	<b>Matthew</b>	<b>16:13-20</b>

**Last Sunday's Collection** ... the figures from last Sunday's collection will be published next week. Thank you.



## Enquiry Evening - this Tuesday

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

An evening of information for those who wish to know Jesus through the Catholic Church. Participants in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) programme meet weekly.



## Public Lecture: Fr Justin Taylor sm

Date: Wednesday 17 August, 5.30pm  
Venue: St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall  
Topic: "Reading the Bible in the time of Father Colin and Bishop Pompallier."

Fr Justin is a noted author and retiring Professor of New Testament at the Ecole Biblique et Archeologique Francaise in Jerusalem. All are encouraged to come along.

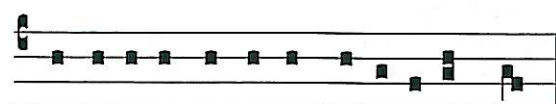
## Responsorial Psalm 66 (67)

**R. O God, let all the nations praise you!**

O God, be gracious and bless us  
and let your face shed its light upon us.  
So will your ways be known upon earth  
and all nations learn your saving help. **R.**

Let the nations be glad and exult  
for you rule the world with justice.  
With fairness you rule the peoples,  
you guide the nations on earth. **R.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
May God still give us his blessing  
till the ends of the earth revere him. **R.**



Confi-te- antur ti-bi popu-li omnes.

*Let all the people praise thee.*

## Offertory Hymn For 11am Mass

No 109 "Tell Out My Soul"

## Reflection: Feast of the Assumption, Monday 15 August

The Feast of the Assumption has been part of Catholic faith since the time of the Apostles, although it was formally incorporated into Church liturgy in stages by various Popes.

The tradition of celebrating the Assumption can be traced to the middle of the 5th century. At that time, a feast called "Commemoration of the Mother of God" was celebrated on August 15th in a shrine near Jerusalem. Near the end of the 6th century this became a feast commemorating the end of Mary's time on earth and was called the "Dormition of Our Lady."



It was Pope Hadrian who, at the end of the 8th century, gave it the name of the "Assumption of St. Mary."

As part of his iteration of the dogma of the Assumption, Pope Pius XII confirmed it as forming part of the deposit of faith, received from the Apostles. He did not state the time, place or manner in which the Assumption took place — only the fact of Our Lady's Assumption into Heaven.

Although the Bible does not explicitly mention the glorification of Mary's Immaculate body, there are several implicit revelations of the Assumption in the Bible. The most important texts are: Gen. 3:15; Lk. 1:28; Apoc. 12:1-2.

Her assumption into Heaven is the symbol of the promise made by Jesus to all who believed in Him that they too will be received into Paradise.

Ancient belief in the Assumption was based on the conviction that Christ willed his Mother's participation in the world's salvation, so he associated her in his own glorification by an anticipated resurrection.

Mary's Immaculate Body was, in a sense, the origin of our sanctification. Her flesh was used to form her Son's flesh; which he used firstly on the Cross to destroy death and sin, and then as a gift for us that we might rise from the dead.

As well as being one of only two Holy Days of Obligation observed in New Zealand, the Assumption is an important feast for St Mary of the Angels. It is our Parish patronal feast day and each year the Choir prepare and sing Assumption Vespers, this year at 7.30pm in the Church. Visitors and parishioners are encouraged to attend this beautiful and prayerful devotion on Monday.

Masses are at the usual weekday times: 7.30am, 12.05pm and 5.15pm.

## SMAYACS

St Mary of the Angels Young Adult Catholics

## Young Adult Mass (tonight at 5pm)

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!

Next month's Young Adult Mass will be Sunday 11 September.

## 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.

As always, we would love to hear any feedback and suggestions you may have. Please email us with any questions, comments or feedback.

Email: [smayacs@gmail.com](mailto:smayacs@gmail.com)

## Voice For Life Song Competition

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. Prizes are awarded in two categories: Open and Students. Finals are judged live on 3rd December 2011 in Auckland. More information at: [www.voiceforlife.bravehost.com/index.html](http://www.voiceforlife.bravehost.com/index.html)

## Marriage Encounter Weekend (9—11 September)

Marriage Encounter is holding its next weekend of enrichment for couples to spend quality time together, far from the distractions of everyday life. This weekend Retreat is in the beautiful rural setting of the Magnificat Retreat Centre in the Wairarapa. The weekend is an opportunity for couples to allow time to talk, to listen and to reflect on their journey together in marriage. Bookings and enquiries can be made by calling Francie or Neil on 0800 362 686.

## Mass has been offered for:

**Recently Deceased** Colleen Wilson

**Anniversaries** Kathleen McCready, Catherine O'Neill

## 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, Paul Carr, Vicki McPhee, Mary Jarvis, Peter Tawhaki, Cecilia Dickson, Jan Tuinman, Lizzie McKay, Maria Kasperowicz, Marion Hyland, Ron Finlayson, Vic Valdez, Helen Havasi, Dr Zuccullo, Penny Holden.

*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*

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