

For Your Diaries : 2011

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.

Sunday 11 September, Communio Discussion Group (7.15pm)

The next Communio discussion will be in the Presbytery Boardroom on a topic based on an article by an economist. "The Market Economy" is commented on by Pope Benedict in his encyclical: *Caritas in Veritate*.
Contact: Leo or Mary Buchanan on 387 8284, email: leobuchanan@xtra.co.nz

9-11 September Marriage Encounter Weekend

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: Francie or Neil on 0800 362 686.

Saturday 17 September, Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women

The group meets at 1.30pm - 3.30pm Connolly Hall Guildford Terrace (off Hill St) Thorndon. Speaker: Duncan Graham from Christchurch. All Women welcome to join us for Praise, Worship, Teaching and Fellowship. Enquiries: Sandra 475 5541 www.dove.org.nz

23 -25 September Weekend Retreat centred on the Traditional Latin Mass at Home of Compassion Island Bay. Contact: Neil Coup: 021896924

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@rachelsvineyard.org.nz
For more information on how to help, www.rachelsvineyard.org.nz

Traditional Latin Mass at St Mary of the Angels is NOT possible this Sunday, 4 Sept, but resumes September 11 and 18, at 12.30pm. Contact: Neil Coup: 021896924.

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.

If your vehicle is locked in, you must contact the Presbytery NOT the Dominion Post.



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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

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

4 September 2011: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Congratulations

We offer our warmest congratulations today to Alfie Bagalay, Mathieu Clatin and George Egerton who will receive the Eucharist for the first time at the 9am Mass today. This is a wonderful moment for them and their families and for us as a Parish Community. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith. We pray that Alfie, Mathieu and George will treasure this great gift that Christ has given to his Church.

I sincerely thank Bede Clarke and the Sacramental team for their work in preparing the children from the three Parishes of our Pastoral Area for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist. I also thank Father Michael Young s.m. for his input to the parents of the children. I hope many parishioners will join the children and their families for morning tea after the 9am Mass today in the Parish Hall.

New Roman Missal

Archbishop John has announced that the third edition of the Roman Missal will be printed in time for its introduction on the 1st Sunday of Advent this year. We are all aware that for the past few months we have been using the revised translation for the 'People's Responses' of the Mass (red book). Now that approval has been received from Rome on the full text (both in English and Maori) the Missal can be printed.

There are many changes to the prayers the Priest prays and parishioners will notice these changes.

However, there are virtually no changes to the responses that the people have been using these past few months. While it will take some time to recognize and remember the new words they will eventually become part of our memory and before too long we will know them well. While we can question the need for a revised translation and how the process evolved, we have been asked by our Bishops to welcome the new words of the Mass and to remember that it is always the "Same Mass" which 'in faith we gather with God's people to celebrate'.

Fr Barry Scannell s.m.



New Words. Deeper
Meaning. Same Mass.
Understanding the Revised Mass Texts



INVEST IN YOUR FAITH

This Week's Readings

First Reading	Ezekiel	33:7-9
<i>If you have not warned the wicked man, then I will hold you responsible for his death.</i>		
Second Reading	Romans	13:8-10
<i>Love is the fulfilment of the Law.</i>		
Gospel Reading	Matthew	18:15-20
<i>If your brother or sister listens to you, you will have won that person back.</i>		

Next Week's Readings

First Reading	Ecclesiasticus	27:30—28:7
	Psalm	102 (103)
Second Reading	Romans	14:7-9
Gospel	Matthew	18:21-35

Last Sunday's Collection

Total	\$4,030
Parish Expenses	\$2,862
Support of House	\$1,168

Thank You



Fr Michael Young sm
Doctor of Theology

Adult Education in the Faith

Fr Michael Young sm is planning a programme of regular adult education sessions next year, to enrich the faith and spirituality of parishioners. He is calling for expressions of interest from possible participants, so as to gauge the usefulness and viability of this project.

For more information, please contact Fr Michael through the Parish Office.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased

Brett Gray.

Anniversaries

Marie McWilliams, Monica Hourihan.

Prayers for the Sick



Eileen Nevin, Margo Chrustowski, Maryvac de Rosario, Mary Egan, Dulcie Campbell, Oinah Macpherson, Maureen McDonald, Patricia Smyth, Ron Blair, , Paul Carr, Vicki McPhee, Mary Jarvis, Peter Tawhaki, Cecilia Dickson, Jan Tuinman, Lizzie McKay, Maria Kasperowicz, Marion Hyland, Ron Finlayson, Helen Havasi, Dr Zuccullo, Catherine Tong, Penny Holden, Ray Keenan, Jocelyn Stevens, Mary Dysart.

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 94 (95)

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**

Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **R.**

O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R.**

Tending the Soul – Awakening to Surrender: Monday 5 September – 10am – 3pm. A day of guided prayer and reflection with Catherine Woodcock rsj- Koha.

A View from the Bottom – who are the poor and why are they poor? Saturday 10 September, 9.30-3pm. An opportunity to learn the tools for analysis by looking at depth at the current economic, social and political profile of Aotearoa New Zealand.

Liturgy - Celebrating UN International Year of Forests, Sunday 18 September 4-5 pm.

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Reflection: Creativity and Being Created

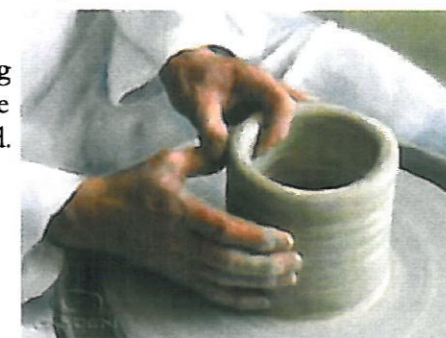
The potter moulding the clay, forming, reshaping and then firing it, reminds us that our lives too are being purposefully shaped by God.

Suffering is a part of life and reshaping is often painful. Christ himself emphasizes this, not only in his teaching but by all that he suffered in his own life.

If we are to accept the humanity of Jesus, we need to be open to being refashioned which involves suffering as well as joy.

The necessary pain of being re-formed is a particularly poignant theme for those in Christchurch, as today marks the first anniversary of the Canterbury earthquakes. As residents wake each day to ruin, they also wake to discussion and planning about re-building. Advisors from other parts of the world which have emerged from destruction paint a cautious but encouraging future. They encourage people to gather and talk, to think about what really matters to them and what the physical environment will be like for their communities. Consistently high on the wish-list of the urban designs submitted so far are spaces for people to gather and simply enjoy being with each other.

To have daily reminders of brokenness is difficult, but to be able to share and to dream must be a consolation.



"As the clay is in the Potter's hands, so are you in mine." Jeremiah 18:6



While many first-time visitors to Wellington for the WOW (the World of Wearable Arts) delight at the colours, creativity, design and sheer impracticality of the exhibits, veteran patrons often comment on the surprise of finding fresh ideas presented every year.

For those who strive to exhibit year after year, each time promising, "this really is the last time," their inspiration is often drawn from their experience of being among like-minded people. A comment from one of this year's judges points to a deeper truth. "It's an amazing thing to realise there is simply no end to imagination. We each somehow have this truly God-given capacity for joy."

SMAYACS

St Mary of the Angels Young Adult Catholics

Young Adult Mass (Sunday 11 Sept)

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 15th September)

Third Thursday of every month, 6-7pm at St Mary of the Angels Church. All are welcome to come along and please let us know if you would like to help.

Theology in the Pub (Sunday 25 Sept)

Join us for our regular discussion at 6.30pm, upstairs (and to the right) in the Hotel Bristol on Cuba Street. The speaker will be Fr Allan Jones sm from the Catholic Enquiry Centre.

As always, we welcome your comments.

Email: smayacs@gmail.com

Catholic Foundation 2012 Tertiary Scholarship Applications

Applications are now open and close of 23 September, 2012. To apply, please see your College Principal, Rector, Dean of Studies or Parish Priest.

FM Connection House Mass

Date: Wednesday 7 September, 7-9pm
Venue: FM Connection, Flat 1 / 66
Albermarle Road, Northland, Wellington.

FM Connectin is an open community run by Natalie and Maurice Atkinson, a young married couple who are committed to living Champagnet Marist Values. They host a monthly Mass and meal. Bring a plate. Contact: natkinson@hotmail.co.nz

Catholic Youth Ministry Conference

Date: Sunday 13-Wednesday 16 November.
Venue: Palmerston North.
Speaker: Samuel Clear www.walk4one.com
Info: Dan 496 5181 or www.connect.org.nz

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