

For Your Diaries : 2012

Thursday 24th May, 7.30pm, Holy Hour at Sacred Heart Cathedral

All are invited to Holy Hour in the Chapel of the Sacred Heart Cathedral, to pray for vocations to priesthood and religious life. This Holy Hour will include prayers, Scripture, times of silence and concluding with Benediction followed by supper.

Friday 25th May, 7pm-8pm, Celebrating the Coming of the Holy Spirit

The Sisters of Compassion extend an invitation to come and celebrate Pentecost together, at 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay. More information please email sr.ema@compassion.org.nz, or sr.rachel@compassion.org.nz

Saturday 26th May, Prayer Day for the intentions of Archbishop John Dew

There will be 24 hours of Prayer for Archbishop John Dew and his intentions beginning at 9am Saturday 26th May in The Chapel at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Contact Michael Woodnutt on mwoodnutt@hotmail.com or 027 5560086.

Sunday 27th May, 9.30am, Catholic Deaf Community Mass

The Catholic Deaf Community invites all Deaf to join them for Mass with St Peter and Paul's Parish, at St James Church, 71 Woburn Road, Lower Hutt.

A NZSL interpreter will be present.

Sunday 27th May, 7pm, Pentecost Vespers at St Johns in the City

All are invited to attend the Ecumenical Pentecost Vespers hosted by St Johns in the City, corner of Willis and Dixon Streets. Our choir will join the choirs of St Peters and St Johns in singing the Cantata 'The Spirit Within' by Colin Gibson, with text set by Joy Cowley, Ursula Bethell, R. A. K. Mason and others.

Tuesday 5th June, 7pm, Healing Mass

Everyone is warmly welcome to a Healing Meeting with Bill Subritzky on at Our Lady of Grace Church, 5 Palmer Crescent, Heretaunga.

Saturday 16th June, Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women

There will be no May meeting due to national leadership retreat for teams. The next meeting will take place on 16th June. Enquiries: Sandra 475 5541 www.dove.org.nz

22-24 June and 9-11 November 2012, Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

A weekend of healing for those whose lives have been touched by abortion. Information and support is available for men and women. All enquiries are strictly confidential. Visit www.rachelsvineyard.org.nz or contact Wendy Hill on 027 254 9222 or info@rachelsvineyard.org.nz

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

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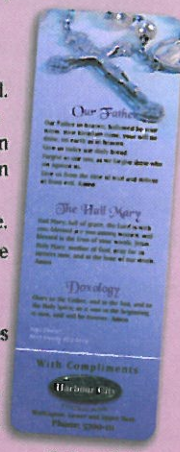
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St Mary of the Angels is a diverse community which seeks to praise and thank God in a place of calm and beauty and strives to be Christ alive in Central Wellington

20th May 2012: The Ascension of the Lord

Sacrament of Confirmation

The sacrament of Confirmation for our Pastoral Area will be celebrated today at St Joseph's Church in Mt Victoria by Archbishop John. There are 13 parishioners from St Mary of the Angels being confirmed – six children who are in the First Sacraments Programme and eight adults who have received their preparation for the sacrament over the past few weeks.

We warmly congratulate:

Children in the First Sacraments Programme

Robyn Cruz
Daniel Kaltenberg
Caithi Cummings
Michele Petagna
Francesco Petagna
Alessandro Petagna

Adults

Marie Eunhee Young
Guilano Serrao
Allison Needham
Matthew Tolan
Eddie Po
Eunice Chae
Rosemarie Bowers
Queza Marie C. Dimayuga

We pray that the gifts of the Holy Spirit will be poured out in abundance on each of you today.

Ecumenical Pentecost Service

One of the important ecumenical initiatives that St Mary of the Angels is involved in is the Pentecost Service with our neighbouring Christians at St Peter's Anglican Church and St John's Presbyterian Church. (You can read more about the liturgy which is planned on the inside of the Angelus this week).

I hope that many of you will come with me to represent our Parish next Sunday evening 27 May at 7pm at St John's Presbyterian Church, on the corner of Willis and Dixon Streets. It is very important that we take the limited opportunities that we have to build up the Body of Christ with our Christian brothers and sisters.

Father Barry Scannell s.m.
Parish Priest

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This Week's Readings

First Reading Acts 1:1-11
Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.

Second Reading Ephesians 1:17-23
He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.

Gospel Reading Mark 16:15-20
The Lord Jesus was taken into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading Acts 2:1-11
Psalm 102
Second Reading 1Cor 12:3-7, 12-13
Gospel John 20:19-23

Last Sunday's Collection

Total	\$4,428
Parish Expenses	\$3,144
Support of House	\$1,284



Funeral Home Open Day

In conjunction with the Wellington Museum Trusts exhibition 'Death & Diversity', all members of the Funeral Directors Association of New Zealand (FDANZ) will be holding an open day today, Sunday 20th May from 1.30pm – 4.00pm at 56 Onepu Road. This is an opportunity for the public to ask questions about any aspect of funerals, grief and dying. There will be access to the crematorium and mortuary areas (for those that are interested), and information available about pre-arranged funerals and grief. All are welcome to come along and meet our experienced and friendly staff.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased

Anniversaries

Mary Davidson, Brian Flynn, Robert Bell, Narda Argus

Prayers for the Sick

Bruno Grinskis, Katherine Hatch, Sister Sarto DOLC, Phil Busby, Jack Body, Emma Stanley, Des Nunns, Mary Egan, Dulcie Campbell, Oinah Macpherson, Paul Carr, Maria Kasperowicz, Marion Hyland, Helen Havasi, Patricia Smyth, Bryan Stempa, Patrick Grace, Bob Clark, Maureen McDonald.



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

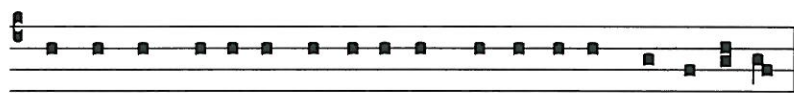
Responsorial Psalm 46

R God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

All peoples, clap your hands,
 cry to God with shouts of joy!
 For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
 great king over all the earth. **R**

God goes up with shouts of joy;
 the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
 Sing praise for God, sing praise,
 sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R**

God is king of all the earth.
 Sing praise with all your skill.
 God is king over the nations;
 God reign on his holy throne. **R**



Ascendit De-us in ju-bi-lo, et Domi-nus in vo-ce tubae.

God is ascended with jubilee: and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.

Offertory Hymn For 11am Mass

Number 193 'Holy Father, God of might'.

Adult Education in the Faith Ministry

The next session will take place on Wednesday 23rd May.

Time: 5.30pm - 7.30pm **Venue:** Parish Hall

Theme: Spirituality and the Human Person

Session 4: Human Truth, Imagination and Conscience (Part 2)

Pentecost Vespers

On Sunday 27th May at 7pm the St Mary of the Angel's choir will join the choirs of St Peters and St Johns in the combined Ecumenical Vespers. This year the service will be held at St John's Presbyterian Church, on the corner of Willis and Dixon Streets.

The choirs will sing the Cantata 'The Spirit Within' by New Zealander Colin Gibson, with texts set by Joy Cowley, Ursula Bethell, R. A. K. Mason and others.

Below is an example of the music lyric commanded by Colin Gibson in this contemporary choral work.

Sometimes on a still morning it seems that all the earth is breathless with love for the God it conceals and reveals. The brown stones at the water's edge are set like some ancient language. And the sea, the hills, the early mist, become like water colour painting on a fine gauze curtain drawn over a tabernacle. At such times we feel so close to the eternal light which lies behind everything, that we can almost reach out and touch. All we know in this perfect moment, is that we too can walk on water. - Joy Cowley

I sing the grace of God within you, I know that grace within my soul; and when we honour God in each other we bring together one gracious whole. I sing the love of Christ within you, I know that love within my soul; and when we honour Christ in each other we bring together one loving whole. I sing the Spirit's life within you, I know that life within my soul; and when we honour life in each other the Spirit forms one living whole.



Closure of the Drop-in Centre in the Crypt

Catholic Social Services and the Archdiocese of Wellington regret to advise that for a number of reasons the decision has been made to permanently close the Crypt Drop-in Centre under St Mary's of the Angels.

On behalf of the Archdiocese I wish to thank Sr Sarto and all the loyal volunteers who have helped to run the Crypt Drop-in Centre for many years. Much appreciation also to the Parishioners and Priests of St Mary of the Angels for your support of this worthy community outreach project. Thanks also to the businesses who have generously donated food and other supplies for the benefit of the guests. Many individuals and families have enjoyed the hospitality, warmth and care that the Crypt has provided.

Barbara Gilray

Director, Catholic Social Services



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SMAYACs Prayer Group

When: Thursdays @ 6pm

Where: St Mary of the Angels Church
 All are welcome to join this group of young adults and the young at heart to pray, read and reflect on the Scriptures. This is a great way to strengthen your prayer life and also build relationships and community.

Friday Fellowship

All are invited to Friday Fellowship with the Marist Young Adults Ministry. Every first and third Friday of the month, 7pm onwards at The Grove, 7 Birch Street, Lower Hutt. For information phone 972 6926 or email myamnz@gmail.com

The Lazarus Experience

A healing weekend for separated and divorced Catholics.

When: June 15 - June 17

Where: Lower Hutt

Contact: Don 04 587 0527 or Katrin 04 970 9385, lazarusexp@xtra.co.nz

Seasons for Growth

Seasons for Growth is offering a training course in dealing with change, loss and grief among children and young people. You are invited to come and learn about what happens when people grieve and to learn about possible ways of helping them. This course is helpful to those who are grieving a death, divorce or separation circumstances as well as any other major change such as immigration.

When: Thursday 7th and Friday 8th June, 9am to 3pm

Where: Catholic Centre, Hill Street, Wellington.

Cost: \$ 115 (inclusive of GST)

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