

## For Your Diaries : 2012

### Wednesday 12 December, 7.30pm, Fundraising Concert

Three members of the NZSO are presenting Bach's 'Goldberg Variations'. This piece of music is arranged for a string trio and will be played by Andrew Joyce, principal cello, his wife Julia, principal viola and Anna Van Der Zee on violin. The concert will begin at 7.30pm by candlelight and lasts about 75 minutes. You may wish to bring a cushion to be more comfortable.

### Thursday 13 December, 7.30pm, Healing Service

Everyone is welcome to attend this healing service led by Fr John Rea at St Theresa's Church, St Andrews Road, Plimmerton.

### Tuesday 18 December, 6pm, St Vincent de Paul meeting

All are welcome to attend the meeting in St Mary of the Angel's Parish Hall.

### Wednesday 19 December, 7.30pm Carols with the Angels

You are invited to bring your friends and enjoy the beautiful 'Carols with the Angels' in our Church. It is a wonderful way to prepare for the feast of the birth of Christ.

### Thursday 20 December, 7.30pm, End of Year Christmas Mass

Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship invite all men and women to their end of year Mass themed 'Lets Celebrate' and refreshments afterwards at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hill Street. The celebrant is Fr Mateo Kivalu. For information contact David 0274477280.

### 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7.15pm-9.15pm, Wildflowers

Is your abortion experience troubling you? This group meets to share and reflect and be with others who have had a similar experience. For more info contact Wendy Hill 027 254 9222 or email [info@greenstonedoor.co.nz](mailto:info@greenstonedoor.co.nz)

### Traditional Latin Mass Sundays, 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

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 Priest

Fr Tom O'Connor SM

### Adult Education

Fr Michael Young SM

### Pastoral Worker

Sr Frances Gibbs CSB

### Director of Music

Robert Oliver  
[robert.oliver@paradise.net.nz](mailto:robert.oliver@paradise.net.nz)

### Parish Accountant

Jeanette Temelo  
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### Parish Office

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

### MASSES

Sunday 7am, 9am, 11am, 5pm

Monday to Friday 7:30am, 12:05pm,  
& 5:15pm

Saturday 11am

### EACH MONTH

4th Saturday 11am Mass with  
Sacrament of Anointing

### ADORATION

Monday to Friday 6:45am-7:30am

Friday 11am-noon

### RECONCILIATION

Monday to Thursday 11:30am-noon  
12:30pm-1:00pm

Friday 11:00am-noon  
12:30pm-1:00pm

4:30pm-5:00pm

Saturday 10:30am-11:00am  
4:00pm-5:00pm

## Second Sunday of Advent, 9 December 2012 Year C

### Bach's 'Goldberg Variations'

This coming Wednesday evening 12 December at 7.30pm, three members of the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra will present Bach's 'Goldberg Variations'. This music is arranged for a string trio and will be played by Andrea Joyce, principle cello, Julia Joyce, principle viola and Anna Van Der Zee on violin. The concert will be by candle-light.

These wonderful musicians are generously providing their talent to help us in fundraising for the 'design drawings' in preparation for the seismic strengthening of the Church. We need \$250,000 for the 'design drawings' and we are hoping to commission them early next year.

Tickets are \$20 - available after Mass today, from the Parish Office or at the door on the night of the concert. Please come and support this unique fundraising event and invite many of your friends to our beautiful Church to listen to these very talented musicians.

### Memorial Service for Phillip Cottrell

Many of you will remember the violent assault and subsequent death of Radio New Zealand journalist Phillip Cottrell outside the Baptist Church on Boulcott Street last year. This coming Tuesday evening, 11 December at 7.30pm, there is will be short liturgical service to celebrate Phillip's life near where he was assaulted. His family and the Baptist Church have created a small seating and garden area in his memory. Everyone is welcome to attend this ceremony next Tuesday evening.

### Archbishop's Christmas Appeal

The envelopes for this Annual Appeal by the Archbishop are on the tables at the side and front entrances to the Church. This year the Appeal will support the Lay Pastoral Leaders Fund, international priests serving in the Archdiocese and Catholic Social Services 'social workers in schools project'. Envelopes can be returned in the Sunday Mass collection prior to Christmas.

Fr Barry Scannell  
Parish Priest

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## This Week's Readings

|  |             |             |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| <b>First Reading</b>   | Baruch      | 5:1-9       |
| <i>Jerusalem- God will show you splendour.</i>                         |             |             |
| <b>Second Reading</b>  | Philippians | 1:4-6, 8-11 |
| <i>Show yourselves sinless and without blame in the day of Christ.</i> |             |             |
| <b>Gospel Reading</b>  | Luke        | 3:1-6       |
| <i>All people shall see the salvation of God.</i>                      |             |             |

## Next Week's Readings

|                       |             |         |
|-----------------------|-------------|---------|
| <b>First Reading</b>  | Zephaniah   | 3:14-18 |
| <b>Psalm</b>          | Isaiah      | 12      |
| <b>Second Reading</b> | Philippians | 4:4-7   |
| <b>Gospel Reading</b> | Luke        | 3:10-18 |

## Last Sunday's Collection

|                  |         |
|------------------|---------|
| Total            | \$4,529 |
| Parish Expenses  | \$3,216 |
| Support of House | \$1,313 |



## Christmas Gifts for St Vincent de Paul

Christmas gifts may be placed under the Christmas tree on the evening of Carol with the Angels (Wednesday 19th December) or at any time leading up to Christmas, for collection by the St Vincent de Paul Society.

## Columban Calendars

Calendars for 2013 are now available for \$10 each from the Parish Office. They feature both beautiful religious art and Liturgical information.

## Adult Education in the Faith Ministry

This is a reminder to participants that the Course [CSp101SMoA] An Introduction to Christian Spirituality is in recess for the year. The Course will begin again next year on Wednesday, 23 January 2013.

Michael Young, S.M.

## Mass has been offered for:

**Anniversaries:** Maurice O'Brien, Janina Knapp, Margaret Heister, Daniel McKone, Dorothy Martin.

**Prayers for the Sick:** Richard Wharton, Miriam Menzies, Arthur Gibbs, Barbara Ross, Ann Ross, Kathleen Phelan, Marjorie Feitsma, Phil Busby, Mary Egan, Dulcie Campbell, Oinah Macpherson, Helen Havasi, Maureen McDonald, Patricia Smyth, Stanley Bright, Catherine Symes.



*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 125

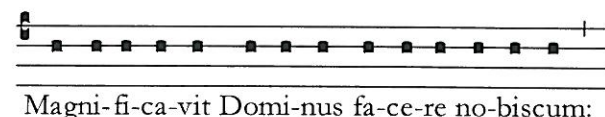
**R The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.**

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,  
It seemed like dream.  
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
on our lips there were songs. **R**

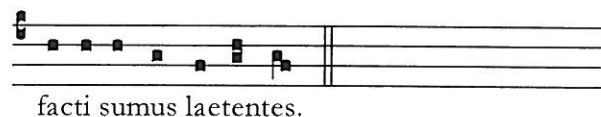
The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels  
the Lord worked for them!'  
What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad. **R**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage  
as streams in dry land.  
Those who are sowing in tears  
will sing when they reap. **R**

They go out, they go out, full of tears  
carrying seed for the sowing:  
they come back, they come back, full of song,  
carrying their sheaves. **R**



Magni-fi-ca-vit Domi-nus fa-ce-re no-biscum:



facti sumus laetentes.

## Offertory Hymn For 11am Mass

No 247 - 'On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's cry'.

## Life on Pastoral Placement

This year has been a great journey for me as a Seminarian. Having spent four years in the Marist Seminary in Auckland I was eager to get out into the "real" world to test my vocation and get experience in Parish and school life. Living at St Mary of the Angels as a vibrant, inner city Parish gave me exposure to the many different ministries that occur here and although the time I had to spend in the Parish was limited, I enjoyed it greatly and learnt a lot. I would like to especially thank those who I met and worked alongside in the RCIA programme, the 5pm music team, the SMAYACs prayer group and in fact all the parishioners I have met who have accepted me with open arms.

Most of my time this year has been spent working at St. Patrick's College in Kilbirnie on the Chaplaincy team. This has had its challenges but was also very rewarding. There were many things to get involved in with at the College; sacramental programmes, retreats, running liturgies and Masses, school productions, sports, and a great variety of other activities. I have come to know many of the staff and students there and again would like to thank them for their generosity and for the way they accepted me as one of their own.

It will be with some sadness that I leave here. I have grown very fond of "the best little capital in the world" - the weather here is not nearly as bad as people make it out to be! Next year I continue my studies at the seminary in Auckland as I move closer to making final vows in the Society of Mary and ordination to priesthood. Maybe one day I will find myself back here in a more permanent capacity.

I want to also thank the Marist community that I have been a part of this year for looking after me, encouraging me and helping me to learn more about Parish life and Marist life.

I wish you all God's blessings for Christmas and sincere good wishes for New Year.

Phil Bennenbroek SM

## Carols with the Angels

The annual 'Carols with the Angels' will be held on Wednesday 19 December at 7.30pm in the Church. This year the evening will feature the Wellington Citadel Salvation Army Band, Fr. Peter Roe SM and the St. Mary of the Angels' Choir (including our 'Young Angel Voices' junior choir and the SMOA's Korean Community). But most of the musical contribution will again come from those who attend, together singing all the well-loved carols. The full programme will run approximately 90 minutes.

## Advent Reflections

Each Thursday after mid-day Mass there will be a short 20-minute reflection on Advent. Members of the choir will sing the Advent 'O' antiphons and there will be prayers and readings from the Divine Office.

Join us to reflect and prepare for the birth of Jesus Christ.



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## SMAYACs Christmas Dinner

**When:** Thursday 13 December @ 6pm

Everyone is welcome to join us for our Christmas Dinner on Thursday the 13th of December. We'll meet in front of St Mary of the Angel's at 6pm and decide where to go from there.

## Hope and Joy - Vatican 2day:

Where can we find hope and joy in this Year of Faith? Come and explore the possibilities of living anew the joy and hope of the Second Vatican Council, 22-23 February 2013, at St Patrick's College, Kilbirnie.

Vatican 2day is organized by the Archdiocese of Wellington. Keynote speakers include: Sister Helen Bergin OP, Father Bernard Espiritu SVD, Julianne Hickey CEO of Caritas, Dr Ann Tuohy Director of The Catholic Institute, and Father Patrick Bridgman.

For more information and to register visit [www.yearoffaith.org.nz](http://www.yearoffaith.org.nz)

## Vincentian Foundation Hearing Aid Grants

The Vincentian Foundation provides hearing aid grants to those persons over 65 years of age who hold a SuperGold Card that has a Community Services endorsement.

For more information please contact the parish office on 473 8074.

## St Mary of the Angel's Christmas Cards

The beautiful St Mary of the Angels Christmas Cards depicting the Nativity Window in the Church will be on sale again this Sunday. The cards will be available on the table outside the main doors of the Church.

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