This Week's Readings

First Reading Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10

They read from the book of Law and they understood what was read.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 Together you are Christ's body, but each of you is a different part of it.

Gospel Reading Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21 The scriptures were fulfilled on this day.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading	Jeremiah	1:4-5, 17-19
Psalm	70	
Second Reading	1 Corinthians	12:31-13:13
Gospel Reading	Luke	4:21-30

Last Sunday's Collection

Total	\$4,669
Parish Expenses	\$3,315
Support of House	\$1,354



Adult Education in the Faith Ministry

The next session will be on Wednesday 30 January 2013 **Time**: 5.30pm - 7.30pm **Venue**: Parish Hall

Theme: Spirituality and Prayer Session 2: The Effect of Prayer

Responsorial Psalm 18

R. Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. R

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. **R**

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever.

The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. **R**

May the spoken words of my mouth, the thoughts of my heart, win favour in your sight, O Lord, my rescuer, my rock! **R**

Offertory Hymn For 11am Mass

No: 221

'Make Me a Channel of Your Peace'

Young Angel Voices

Young Angel Voices, a choir aimed at boys and girls aged between 8 and 12 years old, has its first session of the year on Thursday, the 14th of February.

Thereafter practices will take place every Thursday in the Parish Hall from 4.30 to 5.30.

Mass has been offered for:

Anniversaries: Joan McGrath, Alan Shapleski, Joan Shanahan, Paddy Darroch, Veronica Kelly-Reynolds, William Lyons, Brian McKeown, Sandra Moran, Fr Gordie Kerrins sm, Marianna Grinskis.

Prayers for the Sick: Arthur Gibbs, Joanna Veltman, Barbara Ross, Ann Ross, Maureen McDonald, Dulcie Campbell, Helen Havasi, Patricia Smyth.



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.







The Sacraments of Initiation

Congratulations to Hyejin (Penny) Lee and Haerim (Rim) Lee who are to be baptised, confirmed and receive their first holy communion today at the 11am mass.

They have been part of the RCIA (adult instruction for entering the Church), but are going back to Korea this coming week.

It has been a pleasure to accompany them and eleven others along their RCIA journey into the Church:

- In Baptism Christ receives them into His family
- In Confirmation the Holy Spirit comes down upon them and they are deputed to be apostles of Christ.
- In Communion they receive Jesus as the food for their Christian lives.

An occasion such as this reminds us of what a privilege Faith and the Sacraments are for us. They help us to participate in the very life of God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Perhaps the deepest meaning of our baptism is to be found in the realisation that we have been made disciples for the sake of the proclamation of God's reign to the ends of the earth. That's the work of the Trinity and we join in it, strengthened by the Holy Spirit in Confirmation and nourished by Christ in the Eucharist.

May God bless you Penny and Rim. You now share in God's work and our work of announcing the Gospel of the Lord.

Tom O'Connor SM

Organ recital

Organist Christopher Hainsworth will perform 'Organ Proms', a varied programme of organ music, on our marvellous Maxwell Fernie Organ on the 17th of February at 7:30pm. Chris, who trained in Wellington under Maxwell Fernie, is based in France, where he is the organist at Beziers Cathedral. He is touring New Zealand this month giving recitals.

Communio Study Group & Year of Faith

A programme has been developed. The first meeting will be in the Presbytery boardroom at 7.15pm on Sunday 10 February.

The article for discussion is: **'The significance of Vatican II'** by Cardinal Francis George.

Contact Mary or Leo Buchanan for copy of article on 387 8284 or at leobuchanan@xtra.co.nz

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

Catholic Deaf Community

The Catholic Deaf Community invites all Deaf to join them for the 9.30am Mass at St Peter and Paul's Church, 60 Knights Road, Lower Hutt on Sunday 3 February. A NZSL interpreter will be present.

Celebrate Valentine's Day by Celebrating Marriage!

Archbishop John invites you to join him to celebrate Mass at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Hill St, Wellington on Thursday, 14 Faebruary at 7.00pm followed by a glass of bubbly. Make up a group of friends and parishioners and go out for dinner afterwards!

For further details contact
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For Your Diaries: 2013

3 February, Focolare Movement

The international leader of the Focolare movement (Maria Voce, or "Emmaus") will be speaking on Sunday, the 3rd of February at St Mary's College Hall, Thorndon. She will speak to the general public from 3.00pm-4.30pm and young adults from 5.30pm-7.00pm.

15-16 February, Seasons for Growth

A training course is being offered in dealing with change, loss and grief among children and young people.

The course takes place on the 15th &16th of February from 9am until 3pm. It will be held at the Catholic Centre, Lecture Room – Level One, Hill Street, Thorndon and costs \$150.

To register, contact Esther Saldanha by the 8th of February on 04 496 5182 or at e.saldanha@wn.catholic.org.nz.

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22-24 February, Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

This is a weekend Retreat of spiritual and emotional healing for those who have been touched by abortion. For more information visit www.rachelsvineyard.org.nz All enquiries strictly confidential. Contact Wendy Hill on 027 254 9222 or info@rachelsvineyard.org.nz

2 March, 8.30am, Workshop for Special Ministers and Readers

There will be a workshop for Special Ministers of the Eucharist and Readers in the Parish Hall. The morning will be lead by Fr David Kennerley sm. Please note the change of date.

3 March, 8.30am, Wellington Eucharistic Convention

The 2013 Wellington Eucharistic Convention will be held at Saint Patrick's College, Silverstream, Upper Hutt on Sunday 3rd March. The doors open at 8am and the program begins at 8.30am.

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

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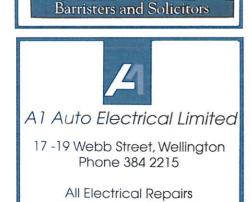
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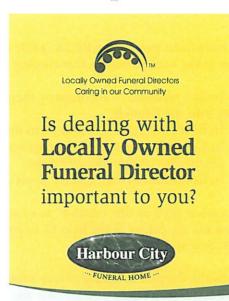
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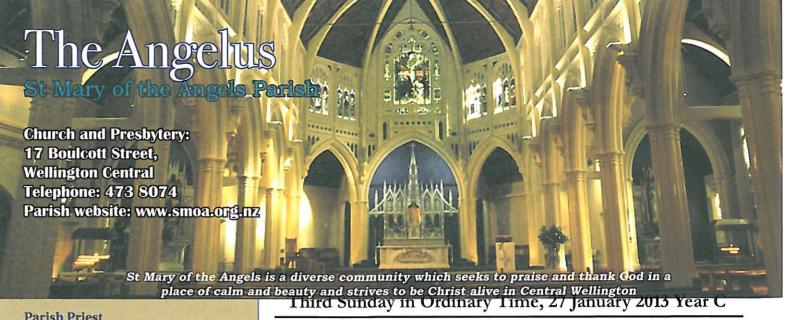
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Sunday 7am, 9am, 11am, 5pm

Monday to 7:30am, 12:05pm,

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Saturday

EACH MONTH

4th Saturday 11am Mass with Sacrament of Anointing

11am

ADORATION

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

Friday 11am-noon

RECONCILIATION

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

4:30pm-5:00pm Friday 11:00am-noon

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

"The Door is Open for You"

One of the initiatives from Archbishop John for the 'Year of Faith' is the idea that Parish Churches be open every Wednesday evening of Lent from 7.30pm until 8.30pm to offer the First Rite of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Archbishop John writes:

> "As Reconciliation is a gift from God we want all people to have the opportunity to experience this great gift of mercy, particularly those who may have found it difficult over the year to come and experience the wonder of this Sacrament. We want people to know that the doors of our Churches will be open and that they will be welcomed with love and kindness and know the gentle touch of God's mercy. This is a wonderful way to give people the opportunity to return home. Being reconciled is like coming home and there's nothing stronger or more wonderful than when the whole family's at home".

There are already frequent opportunities each day to celebrate this sacrament at St Mary of the Angels. However, we too will be open each Wednesday evening during Lent as an extra opportunity for parishioners and visitors.

Over the next three weeks the Sunday homily will provide some catechesis to help us understand better the love and mercy of God in this sacrament. If you haven't been to reconciliation for some time perhaps this Lent could be a time when you once again experience the grace and freedom this sacrament provides.

Father Barry Scannell s.m. Parish Priest

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