

## For Your Diaries : 2013

### Series of Talks on Articles of the Creed

Anyone who would like to join the Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish prayer group for a series of talks on the Articles of the Creed is very welcome. The talks take place in Connolly Hall on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Mondays of the month at 7.30pm. Contact Ph 819 8323.

### 13 March, St Patrick's College Old Boys Association

For all Town and Silverstream Old Boys' - the Annual General Meeting will be held at St Patrick's College, Wellington, with mass commencing at 5:30pm in the school chapel. All enquires to the secretary, Wade Hall [secretary@spcob.org.nz](mailto:secretary@spcob.org.nz)

### 15-17 March, Marriage Retreat Weekend

The next Marriage retreat weekend will be held at the Magnificat Retreat Centre near Featherston. For more information or to book phone Francie or Neil: 0800 362 686.

### 16 March, French Baroque Music Concert

Exquisite French Baroque music, the three famous Leçons de Ténèbres, by François Couperin (1668 – 1733) will be performed at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hill Street, Wellington on Saturday 16 March at 8pm.

### 16 March, Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women

Dove Catholic Fellowship for women invites all women to their meeting on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March from 1.30 to 3.30pm at Connolly Hall (off Hill St) Thorndon. Speaker: Amanda Gardner. Our theme for the year To Be Women Empowered to be the Light of Christ for Others. Enquiries Sandra 475 5541 [www.dove.org.nz](http://www.dove.org.nz)

### 17 March, 11am - 1pm, St Patrick's College Feast Day and Fun Run

Inviting all past SPC families, current families, Old Boys and College friends to take part in the St Patrick's Day Fun Walk or Run. Funds raised will go to the magnificent artificial turf, bordering Cobham Drive, currently under construction. All are welcome to attend Mass in the College Chapel at 9.30am prior to the run/walk. Visit [www.stpats.school.nz](http://www.stpats.school.nz) to register online, email [development@stpats.school.nz](mailto:development@stpats.school.nz) or phone Loretta Love 9395416.

### 17 March, Futuna Chapel Open Day

Come along to a public viewing of one of New Zealand's architectural jewels. The day includes the return of the Christ Figure, musical performance, talks by Art Publisher Ron Sang and artist Michael Smither, and will be followed by the Futuna Lecture to be presented by Professor Mark Burry.

### 24 March, 2pm, The Legion of Mary Annual Acies (Consecration Service)

All are warmly invited to join with Archbishop John Dew in the annual Acies at St Joseph's Church Mt Victoria.

### Traditional Latin Mass, Sundays, 12.30pm at St Mary of the Angels.

Contact: Neil Coup 021 896 924.

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St Mary of the Angels Parish

### Church and Presbytery:

17 Boulcott Street,

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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@xtra.co.nz](mailto:smoapp@xtra.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

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### Parish Accountant

Jeanette Temelo

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### Parish Office

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### 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  
4:30pm-5:00pm

Friday 11:00am-noon  
12:30pm-1:00pm  
4:30pm-5:00pm

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

## Fourth Sunday in Lent, 10th March 2013 Year C

### Religious Commitment

Vicky Wall, a young woman in her mid 20's, will be leave on 23 April for Loppiano, in Italy to join the Focolare movement. She is preparing to commit herself as a consecrated woman who are known as 'Focolarina'.

The Focolare movement is a lay Catholic organisation founded in Italy by Chiara Lubich during World War II. The movement's charism is 'Unity', with a particular focus on the prayer of Jesus:

**'May they all be One, Father, as you and I are One; (Jn 17:21).**

Vicky has been are very active young person in this Parish over the past 8 years. Last year she left to live in the Focolare community house in Johnsonville. She spent 4 of those years in the leadership team of the SMAYAC's (St Mary of the Angels young adults group). She has been instrumental in creating a foundation for young adults in the Parish and the SMAYAC's have grown over the years into a committed and prayerful group of young people.

We wish Vicky every blessing as she sets out on this faith journey. I am very grateful for all her good work here at St Mary of the Angels. Vicky will say a few words at the 5pm Mass tonight.

### The Restoration and Re-Installation of the Futuna Chapel Christ Figure

Next Sunday 17 March there is the annual public 'open day' at the Futuna Chapel in Karori where there will be a public bi-cultural unveiling and blessing of the restored Christ figure. The figure of Christ went missing 12 years ago and it has been lovingly restored by Carolina Izzo, an Italian trained art conservator and restorer.

The 'open day' begins at 10am.

*Father Barry Scannell s.m.*

*Parish Priest*

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## This Week's Readings

**First Reading** Joshua 5:9-12  
*The people of God went to the promised land and there kept the Passover.*

**Second Reading** Corinthians 2 5:17-21  
*God reconciled us to himself through Christ.*

**Gospel Reading** Luke 15:1-3, 11-32  
*Your brother here was dead and has come to life.*

## Next Week's Readings

**First Reading** Isaiah 43:16-21

**Psalm** 33

**Second Reading** Philippians 3:8-14

**Gospel Reading** John 8:1-11

## Last Sunday's Collection

Total	\$4,737
Parish Expenses	\$3,363
Support of House	\$1,374



## Adult Education in the Faith Ministry

The next session will be on Wednesday 13 March 2013.

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

**Theme:** Spirituality and Liturgy and Devotion.

**Session 1:** Introduction and Rites and Rituals - Symbolic Actions.

## SMAYACS Potluck Dinner - Sunday 17th March 6pm

All young adults and students are invited to a Potluck Dinner in the Parish Hall following 5pm Mass next Sunday. These are a great way to meet other young people in the parish, and especially we want to welcome those of you who are new to Wellington or St Marys this year. The Parish Hall will be open from 4pm for you to drop off your plates. On the night we will also let you know about other upcoming SMAYAC events.

## Mass has been offered for:

### Recently Deceased:

**Anniversaries:** Don Duerr, Rita Kirwan, Trevor Randall.

**Prayers for the Sick:** Arthur Gibbs, Margaret Hyland, Joanna Veltman, Barbara Ross, Ann Ross, Maureen McDonald, Dulcie Campbell, Helen Havasi, Patricia Smyth, Phil Busby, Amanda Hagley.



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.

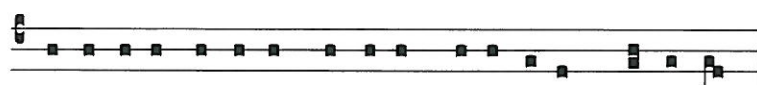
## Responsorial Psalm 33

**R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

I will bless the Lord at all times,  
 his praise always on my lips;  
 in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.  
 The humble shall hear and be glad. **R**

Glorify the Lord with me.  
 Together let us praise his name.  
 I sought the Lord and he answered me;  
 from all my terrors he set me free. **R**

Look towards him and be radiant;  
 let your faces not be abashed.  
 This poor man called; the Lord heard him  
 and rescued him from all his distress. **R**



Gusta-te et vi-de-te quo-ni-am su-a-vis est Domi-ne.

*O taste and see how sweet the Lord is.*

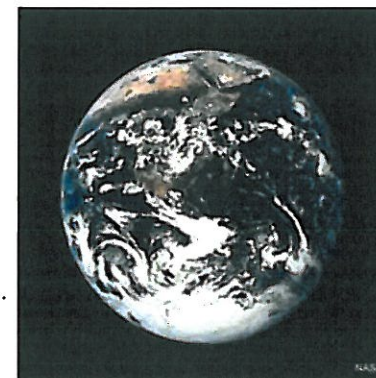
## Offertory Hymn For 11am Mass

Number 239

'O God thy people gather'

## Reflection: The Nicene Creed (3)

During this year of Faith we are looking at some of our Catholic beliefs. This is the third of our reflections on the Nicene Creed. "I believe in...the Father almighty..."



### ...almighty...

Being "all-mighty" implies not only that God's power is greater than anything or anyone else's. It also means that it's universal/all-inclusive, for God who created everything also rules everything and can do everything.

### ...maker of heaven and earth...

The expression "heaven and earth" means all that exists, creation in its entirety - the universe. The earth, the universe, is the world of humans, while heaven is God's own place and the place of the spiritual creatures - the angels and saints who surround God.

All three persons of the Blessed Trinity created the world - "Creation is the common work of the Holy Trinity." CCC 292

What about evolution? Pope John Paul II speaking to the Pontifical Academy of Sciences 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct 1981 said:

*"The Bible itself speaks to us of the origin of the universe and its make-up, not in order to provide us with a scientific explanation, but in order to state the correct relationships of humans with God and with the universe. Sacred Scripture wishes simply to declare that the world was created by God and in order to teach this truth it expresses itself in terms of the cosmology/science in use at the time of the writer... The Bible does not wish to teach how the heavens were made but how one goes to heaven."*

So it is quite possible for religion and science to live together in harmony and there can be no ultimate contradiction. The source of truth is one and that source is God, the Father of Jesus Christ, in, through and for whom all things are created.

### ...of all things visible and invisible...

Catholics believe that God created the visible and invisible elements of the universe. Thus, God created everything. Some early sects, the Gnostics and Marcionites, believed that God the Father created the spirit world, but that an "evil" god (called the demiurge) created the similarly evil material world. The Church rejects this notion. Catholics believe God's creation, visible and invisible, is good.

Father Tom O'Connor SM

## 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.

## Communion Meeting

The next Communion Discussion Group Meeting will be held today, Sunday March the 10th at 7.15pm in the Presbytery Board Room. Several short papers focusing on "The New Evangelisation" from the journal "Inside the Vatican" will be discussed. Contact Mary or Leo Buchanan at 387 8284 or leobuchanan@xtra.co.nz to access papers.

## Follow faithfully, tell courageously, live joyfully

*Caritas Lenten Reflection Programme 2013*

Please join us on Mondays in the Crypt underneath the Church for a Lenten Prayer Group from 6pm-7.30pm. ALL WELCOME

## Young Angel Voices

Young Angel Voices choir for 8-12 year old boys and girls has started. Practices take place in the Parish Hall from 4.30pm until 5.30pm on Thursdays.

## Lenten Reflections

Lenten Reflections take place after the midday Mass each Thursday during Lent and include 20 minutes of song and prayer, with singing lead by members of the Choir.

## Easter Timetable

The 2013 Easter timetable is available from the back of the Church or on our website. Please note that the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral is now on Tuesday 26th March and that there is reconciliation at all Parishes on Wednesday throughout Lent.

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