

## This Week's Readings

**First Reading** Leviticus 19:1-2

*You must love your neighbour, as yourself.*

**Second Reading** Corinthians 3:16-23

*All things are yours, but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.*

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 5:38-48

*Love your enemies.*

## Next Week's Readings

**First Reading** Isaiah 49:14-15

**Psalm** 61

**Second Reading** Corinthians 4:1-5

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 6:24-34

## Last Sunday's Collection

Total	\$3,752
Parish Expenses	\$2,664
Support of House	\$1,088



## First Sacraments Program 2014

### Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion

Sacred Heart Parish, Thorndon; St Mary of the Angels, Central Wgtn. and Otari Parish – St Teresa's, Karori and St Thomas More, Wilton, invite registration from children who wish to be part of the First Sacraments Programme. Registration forms are available from the Church or Parish Office. The deadline for enrolment is Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2014.

## Engaged Encounter

Engaged Encounter is a weekend experience for couples intending to be married. Weekends in 2014 are 28-30 March, 11-13 July, 21-23 November. Weekends are held at the Home of Compassion, Island Bay. For more details go to the website at <http://www.ceewellington.org.nz> or phone Kate & Simon Olsen Telephone (+64 4) 801 6192.

## Mass has been offered for:

**Recently Deceased:** Miriam Menzies, Noela Crawford.

**Anniversaries:** Joan Abbott, Marivac del Rosario, Cecilia Dickson, Nelson Nunns, Fr. Michael O'Meehan sm.

**Prayers for the Sick:** Colleen Pocock, Philip Birch, John Foden, Ann Ross, Reny Thomas, Barbara Ross, Fr Craig Larkin sm, Helen Havasi, Mary Egan, Lisa Alo, Patricia Smyth, Maureen McDonald, Dulcie Campbell, Joanna Veltman, Losalia Leo, Kathleen Phelan.



*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.*

## Responsorial Psalm 102

**R. The Lord is kind and merciful.**

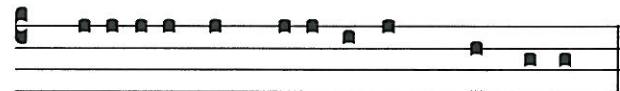
My soul, give thanks to the Lord,  
all my being, bless his holy name.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings. **R**

It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,  
who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and compassion. **R**

The Lord is compassion and love  
slow to anger and rich in mercy.  
He does not treat us according to our sins  
nor repay us according to our faults. **R**

As far as the east is from the west  
so far does he remove our sins.  
As a father has compassion on his sons,  
the Lord has pity on those who fear him. **R**



**Miserátor et misé-ri-cors Dó-minus:**

*The Lord is compassionate and merciful.*

## Offertory Hymn For 12pm Mass

Number 257

'O thou who camest from above'

## SMAYACs Prayer Group

All young adults and the young at heart are invited to a time of prayer, readings and reflection every Thursday at 6.00pm in St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall.

## Theology on Tap

The first Theology on Tap for this year will be held tonight at 6.30pm in Hotel Bristol. The speaker is Fr Vaughan Leslie.

## Young Church Ministries Mass

Come and celebrate National Children's Day at the first Archdiocesan Young Church Mass. A Mass for all, whether you are a teenager, a young adult, a family or young at heart. Come together to celebrate on 2 March 2014 at 7pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral. For more details please contact [youth@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:youth@wn.catholic.org.nz) or phone 4961731.

## Lenten Reflections

There will be a Lenten Reflection group beginning on Monday 3 March from 6 -7pm in the Boardroom of the Presbytery. The reflection will be based around Pope Francis' Inauguration Homily where he said: "Today too, amid so much darkness, we need to see the light of hope and to be men and women who bring hope to others".

If you would like to join this group please contact Monica O'Connell at [toobeautifulforyou@gmail.com](mailto:toobeautifulforyou@gmail.com) for more details.

## Teachers Commissioning Mass

You are warmly invited to join with teachers and support staff in Catholic schools to celebrate Eucharist and to give support as they are commissioned and blessed in our ministry at 5.30pm Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2014 Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hill Street, Thorndon, Wellington. **"Jesus' Mission - Our Mission"**. For further information please contact Sue Davis, Ph 04 4961710 or email: [s.davis@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:s.davis@wn.catholic.org.nz)

## Adult Education in the Faith Ministry

### First Level Course: Introduction to Christian Spirituality

27 February from 7.30pm - 9.30pm at Pa Maria, 78 Hobson Street.

**CM-2:** The Presence of Grace (Part 2) and Christ, Grace Incarnate and New Covenant (Part 1)

### Second Level Course (Restricted): The Incomparable God – the Testimony of Israel

26 February from 5.30pm - 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

**I-CT-4:** B. Testimony in Verbal Sentences (Part 2) – B.1. The God Who Creates – continued; B.2. The God Who Promises  
Michael Young, S.M.

## Holy Hour

You are invited to a Holy Hour on Tuesday, 25 February, beginning at 7.30 pm in the Cathedral chapel 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. Please note the change of day from Thursday to Tuesday.

## Healing Service

There will be a Healing Service led by Fr John Rea, at St. Bernadette's Church, 194 Naenae Rd, Naenae, on Tuesday, 4 March 2014 at 7.30pm. Come and encounter Jesus Christ as your healer.

## Greenstone Doors Information Evening

Greenstone Doors is a new charitable trust operating in Central Lower Hutt with a focus on a positive experience in pregnancy and parenting. Volunteers are needed for fielding enquiries and pregnancy tests, supportive roles, counselling, manning the reception area, admin and more. Find out more at an Information Evening: 26 February at 7pm, 15 Dudley St, Lower Hutt. Enquiries: Wendy Hill, 0272549222

## 40 Days for Life

From March 5 through April 13, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Email [clare.fli@xtra.co.nz](mailto:clare.fli@xtra.co.nz) for details.

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## For Your Diaries : 2014

### 28 February – 2 March 2014, Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

A Retreat weekend for those whose lives have been touched by abortion. Information and support is available for men and women. Enquiries are strictly confidential. Contact Wendy Hill on 027 2549222 or email-[info@rachelsvineyard.org.nz](mailto:info@rachelsvineyard.org.nz) or visit [www.rachelsvineyard.org.nz](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org.nz)

### 1 March, Lenten Retreat

A Lenten Retreat will be held on Saturday 1 March from 10.30am until 5.00pm. "Lent as a door to a deeper, intimate and powerful relationship with Jesus". An impressive line of Speakers, Reflections, Adoration and Confessions. Organised by the Centre for Divine Mercy and The ICPE Mission at St Gerard Monastery. It will be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hill Street, Thorndon. No RSVP or costs, just turn up on the day.

### 2 March, Young Church Ministries Mass

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### 2 March, Eucharistic Congress Convention

The Wellington Eucharistic Convention program will be held at Saint Patrick's College, Upper Hutt and commences at 8.00am with Adoration. The day will include talks, prayers, and reconciliation and concludes with Mass at about 5.00pm.

### 3 March, Lenten Reflections

Lenten Reflections will begin on Monday 3rd March from 6 - 7pm in the Boardroom of the Presbytery. They will be held each Monday during Lent.

**Traditional Latin Mass** is celebrated each Sunday at 12.30pm at Pa Maria, 78 Hobson Street, Thorndon. Enquiries: Neil Coup 021896924.

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St Mary of the Angels Parish

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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*

### Parish Priest

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### Assistant Priest

Fr Tom O'Connor SM

### Adult Education

Fr Michael Young SM

### Pastoral Worker

Sr Frances Gibbs CSB

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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

## 23rd February 2014, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

### Seismic Design Plans

The design plans for the seismic strengthening of the Church are ready for presentation to the Parish. This will take place in our Parish Hall on:

**Sunday 2 March at 2pm**

All parishioners are invited to attend this very important meeting. These plans are the fruit of several months of dedicated commitment by our consulting engineers, architects and building contractor. The plans will clearly set out what needs to be done to strengthen the Church and the enormous financial challenge this presents both to the Parish and the Archdiocese of Wellington. Please make an effort to attend this presentation.

### Ash Wednesday

We have received an approach from St John's Presbyterian Church regarding a joint Ash Wednesday liturgy. I have indicated that we would be very happy to participate. That service will be at St John's Presbyterian Church at: **5.15pm on Wednesday 5 March.**

There will be no 5.15pm Mass in our Parish that day. Please make an effort to participate in this ecumenical service with St John's who have been so overwhelmingly generous to us during our time of need.

### Miriam Menzies RIP

Last Wednesday in Sacred Heart Cathedral we celebrated a Mass of Requiem for Miriam Menzies. Miriam was one of our Choir members and it was a fitting tribute that at her request the Choir sang Georgian Chant and motets at the Mass.

Miriam, a lawyer, was only 58 years of age. She specialized in the Family Court and was highly regarded by judges and fellow lawyers who were there in great numbers to honour her for the wonderful work she did in the area of family justice.

Please remember Miriam in your prayers and also her two children, Nisha and Josh. May she rest in peace.

*Father Barry Scannell s.m.*  
Parish Priest

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