

For Your Diaries : 2014

22 July, Holy Hour

You are invited to a Holy Hour on Tuesday, 22 July, 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.

29 July - 2 September, Life in the Spirit Seminar

You are invited to attend a Life in the Spirit Seminar taking place over 6 weeks, each Tuesday, from 29th July to 2nd September 2014, 10.30am to 12 noon. Please note change of venue to: St Joseph's Church, 42 Ellice Street, Mt Victoria, Wellington. There will be guest speakers and a Koha will be taken up each week. For further information and to register please contact Judith Milio, ph 4 389 3272; email: j.milio@xtra.co.nz. Registrations will close on 18th July 2014.

30 July, St Catherine's College Open Day

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September, St Mary's College Auckland Anniversary

St Mary's College Auckland is celebrating their 150th Anniversary of the College being in New Street, Ponsonby, in September 2014. For further information please contact Dianne Storer – distorer@ihug.co.nz or phone: 09 6385604/0272790917.

3-5 October, Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

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24 October, St Brigid's Feilding 125th Jubilee

St Brigid's Parish in Feilding invite you to their 125th Jubilee on 24th – 26th October (Labour weekend). Registration and meet & greet over nibbles and drinks will happen on Friday 24th October. Saturday will include the Stations of the cross, morning tea, memorial Mass, lunch, visits to local sites of interest to the parish, family games and a Jubilee dinner. The weekend will end on Sunday with a Jubilee Mass and BBQ lunch. Cost: \$40/person. For more information contact: stbjubilee@gmail.com or 0800 505 194

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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

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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

20th July 2014, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Public Launch of Seismic Strengthening Project

The public launch for the seismic strengthening of St Mary of the Angels Church will take place on Thursday 7 August at 5.30pm in the Grand Hall at Parliament. The launch will take the form of a cocktail function to be hosted by the Minister of Arts, Culture and Heritage, the Honourable Christopher Finlayson.

All of us as parishioners know only too well what has been happening since the Church closed following the earthquakes of 21 July 2013. There has been tremendous work undertaken by our experts to bring our beautiful Church up to as close as is possible to 100% of NDB (New Building Standard). These solutions have been peer reviewed by engineering experts. The Wellington City Council has issued Resource Consent and Stage 1 Building Consent for the work.

We need support from the whole of Wellington and throughout New Zealand if we are going to achieve the goal of completing this strengthening work. The Church cannot reopen until it is done. It will involve generosity from each and every one of us.

It is important that as many parishioners as possible attend this official launch to show your support for the seismic strengthening of the Church.

If you wish to attend you will need to:

- notify the Parish Office by Wednesday 30 July 2014
- you will then be issued with an official invitation
- your name will be recorded so that you can be checked against the invitation list by Parliamentary Security Staff on the night

If you know others who are willing to support the Parish in the challenging endeavour please notify us and we will issue an invitation to them.

Please keep this project in your prayers. We can only begin the work when sufficient funds have been raised.

God bless,

Fr Barry Scannell sm

Parish Priest

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This Week's Readings

First Reading	Wisdom	12:13. 16-19
<i>In the place of sin you give repentance.</i>		
Second Reading	Romans	8:26-27
<i>The Spirit himself pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words.</i>		
Gospel Reading	Matthew	13:24-43
<i>Let them grow together until the harvest.</i>		

Next Week's Readings

First Reading	Kings	3:5. 7-12
Psalm	118	
Second Reading	Romans	8:28-30
Gospel Reading	Matthew	13:44-52

Last Sunday's Collection

Total	\$4,536
Parish Expenses	\$3,221
Support of House	\$1,315



Planned Giving and Tax Receipts

If you would like to join the St Mary of the Angels Planned Giving Scheme please contact the Parish Office. A tax rebate of 33.3% may be claimed on all your contributions.

Adult Education in the Faith Ministry

First Level Course: *An Introduction to Christian Spirituality*

24th July, 7.30pm - 9.30pm at Pa Maria, 78 Hobson Street. **Theme:** Spirituality and the Moral Life

Session 6: The Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit and Other Spiritual Qualities (Part 2); and Evil, Sin and the Seven Deadly Sins (Part 1)

The Second Level Course will reconvene on Wednesday 30th July 2014.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Josefina Fronda Loria, Su Yen Bok

Anniversaries: Peter Schmidt, Agnes Mora, Thomas O'Shaughnessy, Peter Hansen, James Montague, Maria Streetland, Maureen Swennson, Ngavaine Goodwin, Peg Kennard, Rita O'Driscoll

Prayers for the Sick: Richard Wright, Ann Ross, Fr Craig Larkin sm, Barbara Ross, Losalia Leo, Patricia Smyth, Maureen McDonald, Jack Body, Philip Birch, John Foden, Eoghan Grimes, Joanna Veltman, Kathleen Phelan, Imelda Reeve, Jan Tuinman



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 85

R. Lord, you are good and forgiving
O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of love to all who call.
Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer
and attend to the sound of my voice. **R.**

All the nations shall come to adore you
and glorify your name, O Lord:
for you are great and do marvellous deeds,
you who alone are God. **R.**

But you, God of mercy and compassion,
slow to anger, O Lord,
abounding in love and truth,
turn and take pity on me. **R.**

Quóniam tu Dómine su-á-vis et mi-tis es.

For thou O Lord art sweet and mild.

St Mary of the Angels Choir

The St Mary of the Angels Choir is seeking new members. The choir sings Gregorian chant and polyphony at the 12pm Mass each Sunday. If you would like to join the choir please contact Robert Oliver: phone 934 2296 or email robert.oliver@paradise.net.nz. There is no audition.

Prayer for Seismic Strengthening Work

Gracious God, Creator of the Universe,
you made us in your own image and likeness.

You gave us wisdom and understanding,
grateful hearts and creative minds.

We pray that our beautiful Church will be
strengthened against the peril of earthquake
through the generosity of parishioners,
the community of Wellington and people
throughout New Zealand.

We ask, Lord, that you abundantly bless those
who have already donated funds,
skill and expertise to this project.

May St Mary of the Angels Church
be a symbol of a unified community that
will gather to praise and thank you.

Mary our Mother, pray for us.

Vocation Weekend at Marist Seminary

For the third time this year a weekend is being held at the Marist Seminary in Auckland. It is for men between the ages of 18-33, who want a closer look at religious life and priesthood. Fri 7.30pm - Sun lunchtime 1-3 August. Cost: \$20 koha. Could one of your family serve God and God's people in this way? Please encourage him. More info on facebook.com/Marists or phone the organiser Fr Peter McAfee anytime (09) 360 0923 or speak to one of the priests. Thank you.

Adult Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

Perhaps you know someone who is curious about the Catholic Faith? The Adult Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is the process through which adults are gradually introduced to the Catholic faith and way of life.

St Mary of the Angels is holding an introductory evening on Tuesday 19th August at 7.15pm in the Parish Hall. If you would like more information or wish to enrol please contact the Parish Office 473 8074 or email: smoaoffice@xtra.co.nz. Parishioners, please invite someone whom you know to be interested in our Catholic Faith and pray for the RCIA Candidates, Sponsors, and Leaders.



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SMAYACs Prayer Group

All young adults and the young at heart are invited to a time of prayer, readings and reflection every Thursday at 6pm in the Parish Hall.

Theology on Tap

St Mary of the Angels Young Adults invite everyone to join them at this month's Theology on Tap session, Sunday 27 July at 6.30pm in the pool room at Hotel Bristol on Cuba St. This month Br Kieran Fenn will speak about "An Intelligent Understanding of Gospel Differences". Br Kieran is a Marist Brother, based at The Grove in Lower Hutt. He works in Adult Education, teaching scripture, and also helps with the 'Faith and Light' group.

Dominican Annual Luncheon

Past pupils, families and friends are warmly invited to the Dominican annual luncheon to celebrate St Dominic. We will gather at the Kingsgate Hotel, Thorndon on Sunday 3 August 2014, from 11.30am. For further information or to make a booking contact the Dominican Sisters by Monday 28 July. Phone (04) 477 0751 or email domswan@clear.net.nz.

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Taize Prayer

The Sisters of Compassion are offering Taize Prayer on the first Friday of each month from 7pm-8pm at the Home of Compassion Chapel in Island Bay. The first day will be Friday 1st August 2014. All are welcome to join the prayer group.

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