For Your Diaries: 2014

27 November, Building a Positive Culture - John Kleinsman

Serious illness? Major family problems? How would a positive culture of life help you when confronted by such issues? Parishioners are welcome to join John Kleinsman, Director of the Nathaniel Centre, when he speaks and leads a discussion on the topic of Building a Positive Culture of Life. 8pm, Thursday 27 November at Connolly Hall, Hill St. For more details visit www.tawacatholic.org.nz/ksc

29 November, Christian Meditation

All are welcome to a day of reflection and meditation on Saturday 29th November at the Home of Compassion, Island Bay from 10am - 3pm. Please bring lunch and a donation. Any enquiries to hugh.mclaughlinnz@gmail.com or phone (04) 2989370.

30 November, Advent Vespers

All are invited to the St Mary of the Angels and St John's Presbyterian Church combined Advent Carols Service on Sunday 30th November at 7.30pm at St John's Presbyterian Church. St Mary of the Angels choir will join with St John's choir in leading the music for this service.

28-30 November, The Lazarus Experience

A healing weekend for separated and divorced Catholics. Friday 28 November -Sunday 30 November in Lower Hutt. Contact Katrin 04 970 9385 or Eustie 04 550 9240 for more information.

4 December, Healing Service with Fr John Rea

All are invited to a Healing Service led by Fr John Rea at St Bernadette's Church 194 Naenae Rd at 7.30pm Thursday 4th December. Come and encounter Jesus Christ as your healer. For further enquiries please contact Mary Boyle, Ph:567 6316

5 December, Taize Prayer at the Home of Compassion

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 next day will be Friday 5th December. All are welcome to join the prayer group.

17 December, Carols with the Angels

Carols with the Angels is on Wednesday 17th December, at 7.30pm in the Salvation Army Citadel Hall, 92 Vivian St. Please come and join in this special celebration as we prepare for the birth of Christ.

2-11 January, Hearts Aflame Summer Camp

Hearts Aflame is a ten day Catholic summer school that is open to young adults aged 18 to 35. This year Hearts Aflame will take place at Nga Tawa Diocesan School, Marton. For more information or to register, visit www.heartsaflame.org.nz

Traditional Latin Mass is celebrated each Sunday at 12.30pm at Pa Maria, 78 Hobson Street, Thorndon. Enquiries: Neil Coup 021 896 924

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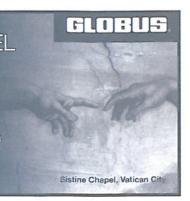
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MASSES

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

Monday to

7:30am, 12:05pm,

Friday

& 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

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

23 November 2014, Christ The King - Year A

Thank You

A sincere 'thank you' to parishioners who have made a financial commitment to the Church Seismic Strengthening Fund. Many of you have made a lump sum payment while others are making monthly automatic payments by direct debit over the next three years. You have shown a great love for this beautiful Church and your commitment means that you want work to begin on the strengthening as soon as possible.

We have reached a critical stage in our fundraising. The next Lottery Grants funding round will begin shortly. If we do not achieve a third of the total cost of the seismic strengthening for the Church (i.e. \$3 million) we will not be able to apply in this round of lottery funding. We are still well short of

If any parishioners are considering making a commitment to the Seismic Strengthening Fund and who have not yet done so, now is the time when your support for the project is most needed.

I assure you that those responsible for our fundraising efforts are working very hard to achieve this first goal of \$3 million to meet the Lottery funding criteria. This figure will also ensure that work can begin on Stage I of the project.

Advent Vespers

Each year we combine with St John's Presbyterian Church for 'Advent Vespers'. It is our turn to be the hosts this year. However, because our Church is closed it will be held at St John's next Sunday evening 30 November at 7.30pm. The Choirs from both parishes will combine to provide beautiful music and hymns for this liturgy. It is a very special way to prepare for Christmas.

It is important that St Mary of the Angels is well represented at this Advent service so that we can thank our neighbours for their generosity to us since the Church closed. As hosts we are also responsible for the preparation and serving of supper after Vespers.

Please advise the Parish Office if you can provide some food and help serve the supper.

Father Barry Scannell sm Parish Priest

CATHOLIC DEVELOPMENT FUND of WELLINGTON

This Week's Readings

Ezek 34:11-12. 15-17 First Reading You, my flock, I judge between sheep and sheep.

1 Cor 15:20-26, 28 Second Reading He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all.

Gospel Reading 25:31-46 Mt

He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another.

Next Week's Readings

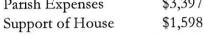
Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1, 3-8 First Reading

Psalm

1 Cor 1:3-9 Second Reading Gospel Reading 13:33-37 Mark

Last Sunday's Collection

\$4,995 Total \$3,397 Parish Expenses





St Mary of the Angels **Christmas Cards**

St Mary of the Angels Christmas Cards are now available for purchase either after Mass on Sunday or from the Parish Office.

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Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Su-Yen Bok

Anniversaries:

James O'Neill, Joan O'Shea, Grace Smith, Melva Gould, Michael McMullen, Fr Peter Kiley sm, Veronica Rigby, Nora Johnson

Prayers for the Sick: Pat Perkins, Marjorie Feitsma, Graham Townsley, Richard Wright, Fr Craig Larkin sm, Losalia Leo, Patricia Smyth, Maureen McDonald, John Foden, Joanna Veltman, Imelda Reeve, Jan Tuinman, Kath Symes, Dulcie Campbell, Kathleen Phelan, Fr Kevin O'Donoghue sm

> 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.



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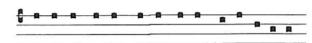
Responsorial Psalm 22 R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. R. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. R. You have prepared a banquet for me, in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. R.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. R.



Domi-nus re-git me, et ni-hil mi-hi de- e-rit: The Lord ruleth me, and I shall want nothing.

Columban Calendars

2015 Columban Calendars are available for purchase from the Parish Office for \$10 each.

All proceeds go toward supporting St Columbans Mission Society.

Planned Giving

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.

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.

Month of the Holy Souls

During the month of November, the month of Holy Souls, we remember our loved ones who have died. In the Chapel there is a Remembrance Book for the Holy Souls in which you can write the names of any of your deceased family and friends - they will be prayed for at every Mass celebrated in our Chapel. The book is on a small table at the entrance to the Chapel.

If you would like a special Mass said for those who have died, please write the name of the person(s) on the Mass intention envelope provided on the table at the entrance to the Hall/Chapel, place a Mass Stipend inside and give it to one of the priests, Sister Frances or hand it in to the Parish Office.



SMAYACs Prayer Group

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

Final Prayer Group and Dinner

The SMAYACs final prayer group for the year will be on Thursday 4 December at 6pm in the St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall. We will follow this with dinner at 7.30pm at Heaven Woodfire Pizza, 247 Cuba St. Come along to prayer group, or join us later for dinner. We need to know how many people to book for, so if you are planning on coming, email smayacs@gmail.com

Carols with the Angels

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Catholic Discipleship College

The Catholic Discipleship College is now accepting applications for students for 2015. We offer a nine month, live-in course in Auckland beginning in February. Visit www.cdc.ac.nz or contact Anne Marie at info@cdc.ac.nz or (09) 480 0548.

Study Theology

Applications are invited for students wishing to study part-time GradDip in Theology from Good Shepherd College, Auckland, in 2015. Study is available both on-campus or by distance. Applications close Dec 15. Please email admin@gsc.ac.nz for forms.

Wool Wanted

Wool (any colour!) to be knitted into small woollen items for Catholic charities. Contact Neil: 021 896 924.

Adult Education in the Faith Ministry

First Level Course: An Introduction to Christian Spirituality

Thursday 27th November, 7.30 - 9.30pm at Pa Maria, 78 Hobson St. Theme: Spirituality & Prayer Session 5: Methods of Prayer (Part 3) – (C) Discursive and Affective Prayer – continued

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

Wednesday 26th November, 5.30pm - 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. Theme: Israel's Unsolicited Testimony Session 5: B. Israel as God's Partner (Part 5) – B.5. Israel Re-Gathered in Obedience



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