

For Your Diaries : 2015

20 March, Parish Barbeque

An invitation is extended to the young people of our Parish, to come to a BBQ to welcome back new and returning students after the 5.15pm Mass on Friday 20 March. Come and enjoy food and fellowship.

21 March, Dove Catholic Discipleship for Women

Dove invites all women to their meeting on Saturday March 21st 1.15-3.30pm at Connolly hall, Guildford Terrace (off Hill St) Thorndon. Speaker: Maria Vadia. Theme: Gladness and Joy will overtake us. Enquiries Rachel 233 2553 www.dove.org.nz

29 March, Futuna Chapel Open Day

You are welcome to attend an open day held at Futuna Chapel on Sunday 29th March between 10.30am and 4.30pm. A guided tour of the Chapel will commence at 11.30am for half an hour. All are welcome to attend this open day which includes a musical performance by SMP Ensemble at 1.05pm followed by presentations by Win Clark and John Walsh. Please go to www.futunatrust.org.nz to view the full programme.

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5-7 June, St Theresa's, Plimmerton 75 Jubilee

St Theresa's Catholic parish of Plimmerton, in the Wellington Archdiocese, will be celebrating their 75th jubilee on the weekend 5-7 June 2015. Anyone interested in celebrating with the parish is most welcome. To find out more go to www.plimmertoncatholic.org.nz or phone the parish office 042331279.

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Parish website: 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

MASS TIMES

Sunday

7am *St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall*
9am *Sacred Heart Cathedral*
12pm *St John's Presbyterian Church*
5pm *St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria*

Monday to Friday

St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall
7:30am, 12:05pm & 5:15pm

Saturday

11am *St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall*

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall
11am Mass 4th Saturday of each month

ADORATION

St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall
Monday to Friday 6:45am - 7:30am
Friday 11:00am-12:00pm

RECONCILIATION

St Mary of the Angels Presbytery
Monday to Thursday 11:30am-12:00pm
12:30pm - 1:00pm
4:30pm - 5:00pm

Friday

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

Saturday

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

Parish Priest

Fr Barry Scannell SM
smoapp@xtra.co.nz

Assistant Priest

Fr Carl Telford 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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15th March 2015, 4th Sunday of Lent - Year B

Blessing on Seismic Strengthening Work

There will be a short liturgy/blessing for the Seismic Strengthening work this Tuesday 17 March at 2pm in the Church. This provides us with an opportunity to acknowledge all our donors and to thank them for their generosity which has enabled us to begin Stage I of the work.

I hope a good number of parishioners will also come to this very important function. If you are able to attend please RSVP to the Parish Office so that we can ensure we have enough afternoon tea for everyone.

Identifying Donors

There are some direct debit donations to the seismic strengthening of the Church where it has not been possible to identify who has made the gift.

If you have not received a receipt from the Parish Office for your donation it is because we cannot identify who you are from the details provided on our bank statement. We would be grateful if you would contact us so that we can acknowledge your generosity and send you a receipt for taxation purposes.

Planned Giving and Donations

Planned giving envelopes for the next financial year are available in the foyer of the Church today. Please collect your envelopes and it will save the Parish posting them to you.

As we come to the end of the tax year (31 March) it is a good time to review your financial commitment to the Parish. Any lump sum given before 31 March can be claimed in the current tax year. A tax rebate of 33.3% may be claimed on all your contributions. Tax receipts will be issued in April for the 2014/2015 financial year.

Father Barry Scannell S.M.
Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading Chr 36:14-16. 19-23
The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of his people.

Second Reading Eph 2:4-10
When we were dead through sins, he brought us to life.

Gospel Jn 3:14-21
God sent his Son into the world that we might be saved through him.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Jer 31:31-34
Psalm: Psalm 50
Second Reading: Heb 5:7-9
Gospel: Jn 12:20-33

Last Sunday's Collection

Total	\$5,133
Parish Expenses	\$3,490
Support of House	\$1,643



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.

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Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Rangi Pope

Anniversaries: Father Michael Tomasi sm, Mavis Henderson-Newport, Anita Rae.

Prayers for the Sick: Richard Wright, Fr Craig Larkin sm, Losalia Leo, Patricia Smyth, Rosalie Coyle, Maureen McDonald, John Foden, Joanna Veltman, Imelda Reeve, Jan Tuinman, Kath Symes, 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 136

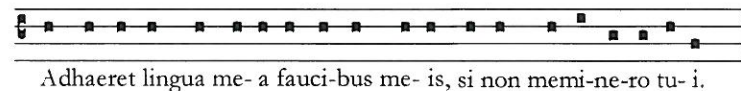
R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

By the rivers of Babylon
 there we sat and wept,
 remembering Zion;
 on the poplars that grew there
 we hung up our harps. **R.**

For it was there that they asked us,
 our captors, for songs,
 our oppressors, for joy.
 'Sing to us,' they said,
 'one of Zion's songs.' **R.**

O how could we sing
 the song of the Lord
 on alien soil?
 If I forget you, Jerusalem,
 let my right hand wither! **R.**

O let my tongue
 cleave to my mouth
 if I remember you not,
 if I prize not Jerusalem
 above all my joys! **R.**



Adhaeret lingua me- a fauci-bus me- is, si non memi-ne-ro tu- i.

Let my tongue cleave to my jaws, if I do not remember thee

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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.

Marist St Pats RFC

Would you like to play rugby for Wellington's Catholic Rugby Club? Junior and Senior player registrations are now being accepted. For more info check out www.msprugby.co.nz

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 or say hello to one of the friendly choir members after Mass. There is no audition.

Good Friday Taize Prayer

The Sisters of Compassion are offering Taize Prayer at the Island Bay Home of Compassion Chapel on Friday 3rd April. The evening prayer is from 7.00 - 8.00 p.m. There is plenty of parking and it is the No. 1 bus route. All are most welcome.

Hungry children in Catholic schools

Lecture and seminar organised by The Catholic Institute and Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand St Mary's College Hall, Thorndon, Wellington Monday 16 March, 5.30pm. Caritas researcher Kahurangi Dey will present the initial findings of a short survey on the provision of food in Catholic schools. This will be followed by a panel of speakers and a discussion. All welcome.

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Adult Education in the Faith Ministry

First Level Course: An Introduction to Christian Spirituality

Venue: Pa Maria, 78 Hobson Street, 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm 19 March 2015
 Theme: Spirituality and Discipline(s) Session 2 Silence and Solitude

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

Venue: Parish Hall, 5.30 pm - 7.30 pm 18 March 2015
 Theme: Israel's Unsolicited Testimony Session 12 D. The Nations as God's Partner (Part 2) - D.3. God and the Superpowers

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