

For Your Diaries : 2016

18 -22 January, ZEALANDIA School Holiday Programme

The ZEALANDIA school holiday programme is tailored for primary and intermediate school children aged between 5 and 12 years with a love for nature, getting outside and mucking in to make a difference. We would love your child to join us! Each day has a different theme providing an exciting, fun-filled nature adventure. Spaces are limited so make sure to book!

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23 January, Meridian Kids Magic: Up, Up and Away!

Kids Magic is a fantastical kids' day out with activities, music, competitions, face painting and all kinds of sing-along, dance-along, play-along fun. 11am–2pm at the Botanic Garden Soundshell (Rain date Sunday 24 January). Join Gerry Paul and the Royal New Zealand Air Force Band on a magical musical flight. Dress to fly...

25 January, Wellington Pasifika Festival

12 noon–6pm at Waitangi Park. Experience the sights, sounds and flavours of the wider Pacific right here in Wellington. There will be delicious food to buy, free family-friendly activities, and performances by traditional and contemporary Pacific artists – including headliner Che Fu – led by MCs the Laughing Samoans. The festival highlights our tight-knit Pacific communities, our arts, cultural and political landscape and user-friendly city parks and environments. It is an opportunity for all Pacific people to celebrate and share their knowledge, values and beliefs and supports the vision that Wellington is a vibrant, creative capital.

16 February, Archdiocese Catholic Schools 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. 5.30pm Tuesday 16 February at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hill Street.

February 2016, Lent Processors Required

Caritas has 3 short term, full time, roles available to process Lent donations in its Wellington office between 15 February 2016 and 8 April 2016. Training will be provided. Core hours will be weekdays 9am-5pm. The hourly rate will be \$17.82 per hour. The ideal candidate will have: good attention to detail; a professional telephone manner, good numerical abilities and a general knowledge of Microsoft Windows. Please send your cv to caritas@caritas.org.nz, and include your phone number and email address.

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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

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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Parish Office

smoaoffice@xtra.co.nz

17 January 2016, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

2016 – A Challenging Year

Happy New Year. This is our first newsletter for 2016. We hope and pray that this Year of Mercy will be a rich and rewarding one for the Church here in Wellington and throughout the world.

Many of you would have seen the seismic strengthening of the Church featured on the front page of the Dominion Post last Friday 15 January. It was wonderful coverage of what is happening inside the Church and we have received many comments as a result. The extent of the work as outlined in the Dom-post article was surprising to many people, especially in the wider Wellington community.

This time last year our focus was to raise 1/3rd of the funds required for the total project (\$9.35 million) so that we could begin work. This year our goal is to raise the last \$3 million so that we can complete the entire project. If we are able to do that we will be back in the Church by Easter 2017.

Many parishioners have responded to the challenge by not only donating to the project but also by making an ongoing commitment to the Seismic Strengthening Fund. Many have done this several times through one off donations while others contribute monthly through direct debit. I thank everyone who has made a commitment in either of these ways.

Please consider what you can do both as individuals and families to raise this last 1/3rd of the funds needed. If you have not yet made a commitment please give it prayerful consideration. It will only be through the generosity of everyone that we will achieve the goal of being back in our Church early in 2017.

Farewell and Welcome

We say farewell this weekend to Father Carl as he leaves for his new appointment as Assistant Priest in the Whangarei Parish. We thank him for his ministry here over the past year and wish him every blessing 'in the far north'. At Father Carl's request we are not having an official farewell but I am sure many of you will thank him after Masses today for his work here.

Father Joe Savesi will join us on Monday 25 January and in February Father Kevin Conroy joins our community after serving as the international Novice Master for the Society of Mary in the Philippines.

For much of this year Father Kevin will be overseas on renewal.

We welcome Father Joe and Father Kevin to our Marist community.

Father Barry Scannell s.m. (Parish Priest)

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5
As the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

Second Reading: Corinthians 12:4-11
One and the same Spirit distributes different gifts as he chooses.

Gospel: John 2:1-11
The first of the signs given by Jesus was at Cana in Galilee.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10

Psalm: Ps 18

Second Reading: Corinthians 12:12-30

Gospel: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Last Sunday's Collection

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| Total | \$4,647 |
| Parish Expenses | \$3,160 |
| Support of House | \$1,487 |



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.

The Catholic Enquiry Centre

The Catholic Enquiry Centre is where you will find information about the Catholic Faith. Contact Fr Allan Jones: email - info@catholicenquiry.org.nz or phone 04 385 8518 or visit www.catholicenquiry.org.nz

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries:

Helen McKone, Brian McKeown, Sr Margaret Mary Murphy, Fr Bryan Montgomery sm, Lois Palentine, Sheila Mahony, Margaret Heister, John O'Brien, Fr Brian O'Connell sm, Mary Hutchins, Edward Haughey, Gordon Ashbridge, Margaret Baxter, Alan Shapleski, William Lyons, Veronica Reynolds, Paddy Darroch, Joan McGrath, Marianna Grinskis, Ricky McDonald, Bill Prior, Peter Aston, Johanna van Zijl, Richard Wright, Losalia Leo, Patricia Smyth, Maureen McDonald, John Foden, Joanna Veltman, Imelda Reeve, Jan Tuinman, Kath Simes, Kathleen Phelan, Jeanette Parker.

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 95

R Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord bless his name. **R.**

Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. **R.**

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name. **R.**

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. **R.**

Archdiocese Commissioning Mass 2016

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5.30pm Tuesday 16th February 2016
Sacred Heart Cathedral
Hill Street, Thorndon, Wellington

'Merciful like the Father'
Jubilee Year of Mercy

For further information please contact Sue Davis, phone 4961710 or email: s.davis@wn.catholic.org.nz

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.

Catholic Discipleship College

The Catholic Discipleship College is currently taking applications for 2016. Are you thirsting to go deeper in your friendship with Christ? Want to pray and search for the truth alongside other young people? Come to CDC and immerse yourself in the beauty of the Catholic faith. Takapuna, Auckland, February to November 2016. To find out more visit www.cdc.ac.nz, call (09) 489 8197, or email cameron@cdc.ac.nz

Study Catholic Theology

Applications are invited to study for a Bachelor of Theology or Graduate Diploma in Theology at Good Shepherd College, Auckland, by distance or on-campus. Email admin@gsc.ac.nz or phone (09) 3611053.

Do you enjoy the music at 5pm Mass?

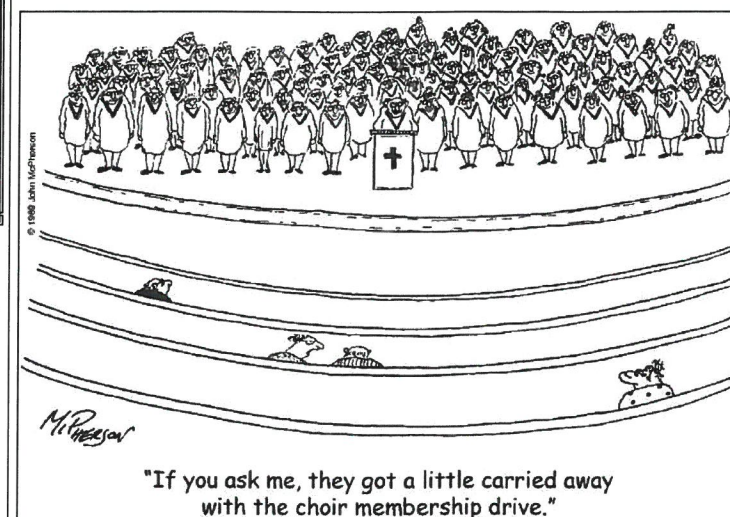
We are keen to hear from anyone interested in being part of the music group. Singers and musicians all welcome. Talk to us before Mass or contact Kathy by phone or text 021 570 413 or email kathyperreau@hotmail.com

St Mary of the Angels Choir Call for new members for 2016

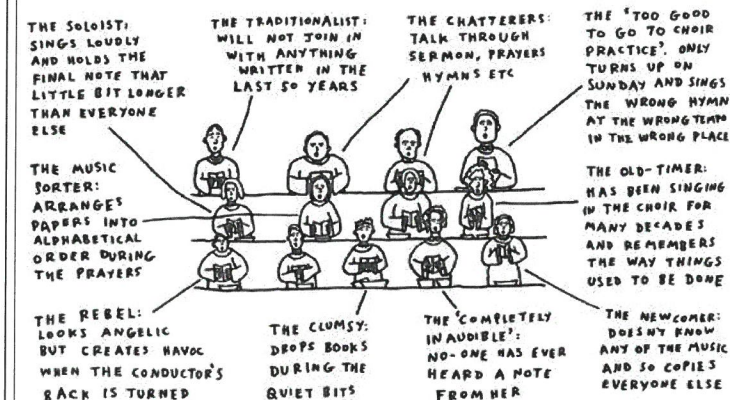
The St Mary of the Angels Choir warmly invites new singers to join us in 2016 - all voice types are welcome and there is no audition! The choir sings Gregorian chant and choral music at the 12pm Mass each Sunday.

The choir annual workshop, which kick-starts each year, will take place on Saturday 30th January at St Patrick's College, Kilbirnie from 9.30am - 5pm. New members are encouraged to come to this free workshop which involves singing and choral techniques, beginners music theory, and many cups of tea. Choir director, Robert Oliver will lead this relaxed and fun day of singing. Bring your own lunch.

If you are interested in joining the choir or attending the workshop please contact Director of Music, Robert Oliver: ph 934 2296 or email robert.oliver@paradise.net.nz.



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