

For Your Diaries : 2016

1 May, The Story of the Carmelite Monastery on 'Sunday' TV One
Tonight at 7pm TV One current affairs programme 'Sunday' will be screening a story profiling the Carmelite Monastery in Christchurch.

5 May, Quiet Days with Suzanne Aubert

Join the Sisters of Compassion for a day of prayer and reflection on the life of Suzanne Aubert at Our Lady's Home of Compassion, Island Bay from 10.30am-2.30pm. Suggested offering including lunch: \$30. To register contact islandbay@compassion.org.nz or phone 04 383 7769. Quiet Days for 2016 are: 5 May, 2 June, 7 July, 4 August, 1 September, 6 October.

15 May, Rescheduled Bach Choir Concert

The Bach Choir is pleased to announce that their rescheduled performance their concert 'Hear My Words' will take place on Sunday 15 May, 3pm at St Peter's Church on Willis St. The programme includes Parry's anthem Hear my words, ye people; Purcell's joyful settings of Te Deum and Jubilate in D; Mozart's Vesperae solennes de Confessore, K.339; and more. Admission \$30 / \$20 unwaged / \$10 for tertiary students with ID. Tickets are available from Marsden Books (Karori), and from 2.30pm on the door.

15 May, Pentecost Vespers

All are invited to Vespers for the feast of Pentecost. This year our Parish are hosting the service which will be held at 7pm on Pentecost Sunday (15 May) at St John's Presbyterian Church. Please bring a plate of food to share after the service.

15 May, The Catholic Institute Open Lecture

The Catholic Institute (TCI) and Good Shepherd College (GSC) are delighted to invite any parishioners to the annual Open Lecture: *What are we doing on earth for Christ's sake?* by well-known Jesuit scholar and author on Catholic approaches to film, Fr Richard Leonard SJ. This will be both an informative and entertaining opportunity to engage with the pivotal question of mission and identity for the Church today. Sunday, 15 May 4pm - 6.30pm. Door entry \$10. Discussion will be followed by soup and rolls. RSVP to Melania via email office@tci.ac.nz or phone (04) 819 8380.

2 June, Mass for Catholic Lawyers

Catholic Lawyers-The St Thomas More Society is holding its annual Mass at St Thomas More Church 36 Worcester St Wilton at 6pm on 2 June 2016 with its annual Dinner to follow at the Wellington Club afterwards. All Catholic lawyers and law students are invited to attend. Anyone interested please email secretary@barristerscomm.com or phone Pam on 914 1050 for further details by 27 May 2016.

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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

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01 May 2016, 6th Sunday of Easter, Year C

Final Sitting

Last Friday afternoon I attended the Final Sitting for Judge Paul Barber. Paul and his wife Kerry are faithful and loyal parishioners of St Mary of the Angels Parish and attend the 9am Mass each Sunday. In recent months Paul has not enjoyed the best of health and his retirement is richly deserved after a lifetime in the legal profession, firstly as a lawyer and then for the past 35 years as a Judge.

It was an immense privilege to listen to the warm accolades paid to Paul by his peers and the staff who have worked with him. Words such as integrity, honesty and wisdom were used by many speakers. There is no doubt that Paul is held in the highest esteem by his colleagues. The justice that he was able to dispense over many years came from a deep faith and love of his God and the Church. As one fellow judge said to me: 'He saw the face of Christ in everyone'.

We wish Paul and Kerry every blessing in retirement and pray that God will be a source of strength to them in the months ahead. We assure them of our prayers and support.

The Story of the Carmelite Monastery

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Planned Giving & Seismic Strengthening Tax Receipts

Thank you to all who have contributed to the Planned Giving Scheme and to the Seismic Strengthening work for the Church. All uncollected receipts for the 2015-2016 Financial Year were posted on Friday. If you do not receive your receipt in the post this coming week please contact the Parish Office. Likewise, if you have any queries please ring our accountant Jeanette Temelo. She works in the Parish Office on Mondays and Fridays.

Father Barry Scannell sm
Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and ourselves not to burden you beyond what is essential.

Second Reading Apocalypse 21:10-14, 22-23
He showed me the holy city coming down from heaven.

Gospel Reading John 14:23-29
The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading Acts 1:1-11

Psalm 46

Second Reading Ephesians 1:17-23

Gospel Reading Luke 24:46-53

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$5,190



Planned Giving

If you are not part of the Planned Giving programme you are very welcome to contribute to the Parish in this way. A tax rebate of 33.3% may be claimed on all your contributions. There are two ways to contribute to the Parish through the Planned Giving Programme;

- **Direct Credit**
- **Planned Giving Envelopes**

We really need the generosity of all parishioners at this time of real financial challenge. For more information or to become a Planned Giver please contact the Parish Office.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Mark Janis

Anniversaries: Su-Yen Bok, Eileen Yardley, Katherine Butler, Rosalie Coyle, Malcolm McClure, John Blake, Joseph Churchward, Czeslaw Tomaszuk, Jean Auld, Linton Eskridge, John Keating, Juing Jieng, Ian Jones, Stewart Dickson, Mark Fitzgerald, David Butler, Terry Chamberlain.

Prayers for the Sick: Kerry Duncan, Maureen Ayling, Denis O'Neill, Im Seon Ao, Paul Barber, Bill Prior, Richard Wright, Losalia Leo, Patricia Smyth, Maureen McDonald, John Foden, Joanna Veltman, Imelda Reeve, Jan Tuinman, 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.



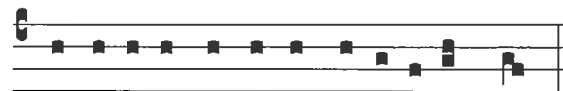
Responsorial Psalm 66

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon the earth and all nations learn your saving help. **R**

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. **R**

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. **R**



Confi-te- antur ti-bi popu-li omnes.

Let all the people praise thee.

Year of Mercy

An Abrahamic Celebration of the Year of Mercy will be held over two days in May.

On **Wednesday 18 May** an Abrahamic Panel (Jewish, Christian and Muslim speakers) on Mercy in our Sacred Scriptures, 6.30pm at St Joseph's, Mt Victoria. **Saturday 21 May** will be a multi-faith service day, putting the Works of Mercy into Practice from 9.30am, with lunch generously provided by the Wellington Islamic Centre. For further information contact Sister Catherine Jones c.jones@wn.catholic.org.nz or Sharron Cole colefam@ihug.co.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.

Study Catholic Theology

Applications are invited to study Catholic Theology toward a Graduate Diploma in Theology at Good Shepherd College, Auckland. Study can take place by distance or on-campus.

Papers include New Zealand Church History. Applications close 27th May 2016. Second semester begins 11 July 2016. Email admin@gsc.ac.nz or phone (09) 361 1053.

Pentecost Vespers

Every year we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost with the parishes of St Peter's and St John's. The clergy join with the combined choirs and organists, each church taking its turn to host the celebration and decide the liturgy. This year it's our turn to host this celebration, and we will sing the ancient evening liturgy of the Divine Office - the Vespers.

Vespers has traditionally been the most musical of the Hours, with responsorial psalms, a canticle and the Magnificat, as well as hymns for all to sing. We hope many will join us for this beautiful celebration of the manifestation of the Holy Spirit on the early Christian community. As this year's hosts, we will be providing the supper, so we ask our parishioners to maintain our reputation as good providers by bringing something nice to eat.

Vespers will be held at 7pm on Pentecost Sunday, 15th May, at St John's Presbyterian Church, our kind hosts while our church is being strengthened. They have been extraordinarily generous in their support of our congregation, so this is a chance for us to be generous to them.

St Mary of the Angels Young Adults Group (SMAYACs)

If you are a new or returning student or young adult to Wellington, you are very welcome to join the St Mary of the Angels Young Adults Group.

Upcoming Events:

Prayer Group: 1st & 3rd Thursdays of each month. 6pm in St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall. (May 5th & May 19th).

May & June: Life in the Spirit Seminar Series
 6 consecutive Wednesdays 7.30pm-9pm: 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th May, & 1st, 8th June (six weeks total). St Thomas More Church in Wilton. To register contact Merrin Webster on 9386655 or email: webstermerrin@gmail.com

XLT Youth Worship Night

Calling all Wellington teens and young adults! XLT Youth Worship Night is on Friday 13th May, 7-9pm at St Anne's Hall, Newtown. Dance party, Eucharistic Adoration and supper. Come with your friends, have a great time and experience God in a new way!

ABLAZE 2016

Celebrate the Holy Spirit! Pentecost Sunday 15th May, 2pm-4pm at St Theresa's Parish, Plimmerton. Includes Praise & Worship, testimonies, teaching, fellowship and ministry. Guest Speaker Diana Ingle - Christchurch Youth Mission Team pastoral coordinator and CCR National Youth Coordinator. For more info call Rainer on 021 155 8258 or email asg.wlg@gmail.com

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