

## For Your Diaries : 2017

### 10 October, Adult Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

The next RCIA meeting is this Tuesday, 7.15pm in the Parish Hall.

### 13 & 14 October, David Haas Workshops

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For more information contact Neil Coup: 04 589 6924, 021 896924, jtcurren@vodafone.co.nz

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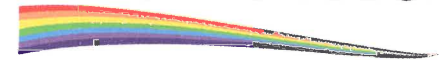
### 11-12 November, Engaged Encounter

Engaged Encounter is a weekend experience for couples intending to be married. Presbytery, 301 Karori Road, Karori. For details go to the website at www.ceewellington.org.nz or phone Kate & Simon Olsen: (04) 801 6192, or email simonolsen@gmail.com.

### 13-17 November, 'Companions on the Journey'

A Non-Residential Guided Retreat held at Pa Maria Marist Spirituality Centre, 78 Hobson Street, Thorndon. From 9.30am-4.00pm each day, \$200. Places available. Contact Fr Brian Cummings SM on 04 212 4691, 021 703 580 or email bgcummings@xtra.co.nz

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# The Angelus

## St Mary of the Angels Parish

### Church and Presbytery:

17 Boulcott Street,  
Wellington Central

Telephone: 473 8074

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*

### Parish Priest

Fr Barry Scannell SM  
smoapp@xtra.co.nz

### Assistant Priests

Fr Kevin Conroy SM  
Fr Joe Savesi SM

### Pastoral Worker

Sr Frances Gibbs CSB

### Director of Music

Robert Oliver  
robert.oliver@paradise.net.nz

### Parish Accountant

Jeanette Temelo  
smoamanager@xtra.co.nz

### Parish Office

smoaoffice@xtra.co.nz

### MASSSES

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 6:45am-7:30am  
Friday

Friday 11am-noon

### RECONCILIATION

Monday to 11:30am-noon  
Thursday 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

## 8 October 2017, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Saving Lives – Saving the Earth

Today is our day of prayer to respect life. Moral theologian, Father Neil Vaney, sm writes in this month's WelCom, "... the environment, life, sexuality, the family, and social relations are profoundly interlinked."

The theme of our recent Archdiocesan Synod was, "Go you are sent," and was an expression of the interconnectedness of Catholics in the Archdiocese and how we are linked to the wider community by our mission. We look forward to Cardinal John Dew's response to the submissions and at an appropriate time to a report from our own delegates.

Appreciating how everything is interlinked can be seen in the Gospel for today. In the Gospel, we hear a parable in which a landowner leases land to tenants. He has planted it with grapevines and set up the vineyard with all it needs for a successful vintage. Apart from the soil, adequate irrigation and sun, all it needs is care shown by the tenants and that they manage things well at harvest time. The problem is, they are not happy with the status of tenants; they want to be the owner.

The vineyard symbolizes the world and God is its owner. When people have a sense of entitlement and see themselves as the owners, problems arise. "Owners" in the sense of thinking they can do what they like for their own profit with little consideration for others. We see this attitude when the sanctity of life is not respected in so many ways in our world. We see it when some countries or multinational companies or wealthy individuals strip resources from poorer countries or supply weapons to line their own pockets while fueling further unrest.

Fortunately, there is a growing awareness among many good people that we all need to be good stewards of the earth. More people are seeing that the peoples of planet earth are interdependent and that the Author of creation calls us to burst out of our narrow points of view, limited dreams and individualistic ways of living life.

*Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.* [Pope Francis, Laudato Si, on care for our common home, Vatican, 2015, #246]

Father Kevin Conroy SM



## This Week's Readings

**First Reading**      **Isaiah**      **5:1-7**  
*The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.*

**Second Reading**      **Philippians**      **4:6-9**  
*Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.*

**Gospel Reading**      **Matthew**      **21:33-43**  
*He leased his vineyard to other farmers.*

## Next Week's Readings

**First Reading**      **Isaiah**      **25:6-10**  
**Psalm**      **22**

**Second Reading**      **Philippians**      **4:12-14. 19-20**  
**Gospel Reading**      **Matthew**      **22:1-14**

## Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$4,500



## Rite of Acceptance

Today at both the 9am and 5pm masses the following people will be introduced to the parish community as they make a public declaration to participate in the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), formerly known as RCIA. We, as the parish community, pray for candidates **David Hannah, Erica Willoughby, Guy Wayne, Anne Phillips** and the catechumens **Kawana Pene, Sophia Robertson, Helen Tsang, Aroha Armstrong**; as they discern and deepen their faith lives through their participation in the OCIA program.

## Altar Servers Needed

We require more Altar Servers for the 11am Mass. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office or Margaret Clark on 479 2820.

## Mass has been offered for:

**Recently Deceased:** Patricia McGreevy

**Anniversaries:** Nane Chua Yao, Sidney Hall, Daniel, Bridget, Bill, Paul, John, Pat, Michael & Colleen Neazor and all the deceased relatives and friends of the Neazor family.

**Prayers for the Sick:** Mary Rose Keller, Geoff Sweet, Dianne Sweet, Margaret Such, Bryce Toimata, Colleen Kennedy, Gil Lescher, Mary Crompton, Jenni Rowell, Teresa Jeong, Dr Peter Brooke, Richard Wright, Losalia Leo, Patricia Smyth, John Foden, Imelda Reeve, Jan Tuinman, John Mora, Maria Kim, Carol Aldridge, Maureen McDonald, Leo Buchanan



*Please remember these and any others in the Parish who are ill. If you know of anyone confined to their home or who needs a visit with Holy Communion, please contact Sister Frances at the Parish Office.*

## Responsorial Psalm 79

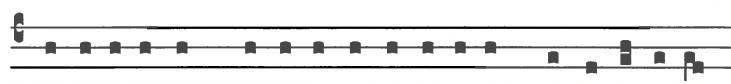
### R. The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

You brought a vine out of Egypt;  
to plant it you drove out the nations.  
It stretched out its branches to the sea,  
to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. **R.**

Then why have you broken down its walls?  
It is plucked by all who pass by.  
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,  
devoured by the beasts of the field. **R.**

God of hosts, turn again, we implore,  
look down from heaven and see.  
Visit this vine and protect it,  
the vine your right hand has planted. **R.**

And we shall never forsake you again:  
give us life that we may call upon your name.  
God of hosts, bring us back;  
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. **R.**



Vi-ne-a e-nim Domi-ni ex-erci-tu-um domus Isra-el.

*The vineyard of the Lord of Hosts is the house of Israel.*

## Schola Cantorum Concert

Schola Cantorum, the Youth Choir of St Mary of the Angels, and they are performing their end of year concert in the Church on Saturday 14 October. The choir, directed by Robert Oliver, will be accompanied by a string group from the NZSM, led by Grace Stainthorpe, and pianist Helen Chiu, singing music by Vivaldi, Haydn, Bach, Leonard Cohen, and others. The concert starts at 5:30pm and will go for an hour. Do come and support these young people, many of them students about to sit their final exams.

## Alpha

If God exists, it changes everything! Alpha discussion allows people to share their thoughts and questions about video talks on faith without being corrected or judged. The trained hosts and helpers are there to facilitate this discussion time and keep it a positive and comfortable experience for guests. The sessions are available starting at 7.00pm at St Patrick's Church, 3 Childers Tce, Kilbirnie, on Tuesday 17 October. To enroll please call or text John Rogers 027 232 8488 or Kim von Lanthen 022 242 6288. Feel free to bring a friend.

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## The Ecclesia Dei Society Retreat

The Ecclesia Dei Society invite you to attend our annual retreat with Bishop Basil Meeking, Emeritus Bishop of Christchurch. Bishop Meeking will give three talks: God Exists, Jesus Lives and Church Saves. Friday 20 to Sunday 22 October at the Home of Compassion, Island Bay, Wellington. For more information contact Neil Coup: 04 589 6924, 021 896924 or email jtcurren@vodafone.co.nz

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## Accommodation Needed

A professional couple are moving back to Wellington in early January and seek a short term rental or house sit for a few months. If you know of anything that might suit, please contact Steve on 0273157313.

## Tools Needed

Catholic Social Services are working with a young man from a refugee background who has just obtained a job as a builder, but needs to supply his own tools. We would be grateful if anyone is in a position to donate tools. There is a list of the required tools at [www.wn.catholic.org.nz/archdiocesan-offices/css/support-for-refugee-resettlement/](http://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/archdiocesan-offices/css/support-for-refugee-resettlement/) or please contact Elizabeth Burns at Catholic Social Services 04-385-8642 or e.burns@wn-catholicsocialservices.org.nz

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## Make your own Rosary

Come join us in making your own Rosary and hear about the history, traditions that make this time honoured devotion such a Christocentric prayer. All proceeds go to the propagation of the most Holy Rosary and devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. We encourage the making of a Family Rosary together. Saturday, 21st October 1pm at St. Annes Church Hall, 22 Emmett St, Newtown, Wellington. Cost is \$20. For more information phone Chris Walker 06 3640344.

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## Rosary

The Rosary is recited on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays at 11.30am. On Fridays the Rosary is prayed after the 12.05pm Mass. Everyone is welcome.

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