## For Your Diaries: 2017

#### 26 November, First Holy Communion

Four children from our Parish are preparing to receive their First Holy Communion at the 9am Mass. Parishioners are invited to bring a plate and join the candidates at a special morning tea after the Mass.

#### 30 November, The Mystery of God

Who God Is and Why He Matters. The second installment of the DVD series on will be held from 5.45pm -7.15pm in St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall. All are

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#### 3 December, Advent Vespers

Combined Advent carol service with St Johns Presbyterian Church at 7.30pm in the St Mary of the Angels Church.

## 3 December, Catholic Institute Open Lecture

All are welcome to the Catholic Institute's 2017 Open Lecture at 8pm in the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Hill Street, Wellington. Koha at the door.

#### 7 December, 'A Test of Faith'

We hope that many of you will be able to attend this Gala Fundraising event at the Embassy Theatre at 5.30pm. Enjoy a drink and some food before the screening of the film. Tickets are \$100 and are available from the Parish Office.

#### 8 December, Mass and Holy Hour

Starting at 7.30 pm on the Eve of the March in St Anne's Church, Emmett St., Newtown. For more information phone 237 8343.

#### 9 December, National March for Life NZ

Parishes, groups and all people of goodwill are invited to be a part of this historic event. Gather at 2pm in Civic Square ready to walk to Parliament. www.marchforlifenz.org.nz

#### 13 December, Carols with the Angels

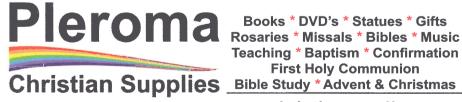
Come and join us in the Church for Carols with the Angels at 7.30pm. This is the first time for 5 years that we will be celebrating this in our Church.

#### 17th December, Organ Concert

Organist Bruce Cash plays Messiaen's 'La Nativité de Seigneur' on the Maxwell Fernie Organ at 1.30pm in St Mary of the Angels Church.

#### 20th December, Palliser Viols

Palliser Viols and Baroque Vocies present 'Gaudete' Christmas Music and Viol Consorts at 7:30 pm in St Mary of the Angels.



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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**

Friday

Monday to 6:45am-7:30am

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

26 November 2017, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

#### **First Communion**

Today at the 9am Mass four of our young parishioners will receive their First Holy Communion. We congratulate Claire Zuniga, Eva Ybarra, Isobel Wall and Lydia Fagan as they celebrate this wonderful sacrament for the first time.

We thank their families for supporting them as they prepared for this wonderful celebration. I would also like to thank the First Sacraments team from the Central Pastoral Area for preparing all the candidates from the three parishes for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist. Bede Clarke is our representative on this group and a sincere thanks to him.

Please join the first communicants and their families for a shared morning tea in the Parish Hall after Mass.

#### **Working Bee**

There will be a working bee next Saturday 2 December to help tidy up the gardens in the grounds of the Church beginning at 8am. We would be delighted if you could come with some gardening tools to weed and dig the garden alongside the Boulcott street frontage of the Church. If you are able to help please contact Father Barry.

## **Change of Mass Time**

Next Friday 1 December the 5.15pm Mass will begin at **5pm**. The reason for this is that the Society of Mary is honouring those Marists who have Jubilees in 2017. This Mass follows the Annual retreat which is being held during the coming week.

Everyone is welcome to come and pray for those Marists celebrating significant milestones this year. We thank God for their ministry over many years in service to the Church.

#### 'A Test of Faith'

During the seismic strengthening of the Church a film crew from Bytesize Productions recorded the unique construction work by our contractor L T McGuinness Ltd. This footage, together with a history of the Church has been made into a full length documentary called: 'A Test of Faith'.

We hope that many of you will be able to attend this Gala Fundraising event at the Embassy Theatre at 5.30pm on Thursday 7 December. Enjoy a drink and some food before the screening of the film. Tickets are \$100 and are available from the Parish Office.

Father Barry Scannell sm Parish Priest

#### This Week's Readings

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

**Second Reading** 1 Cor 15:20-26. 28 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** 

13:33-37 Gospel Reading Mark

# **Last Sunday's Collection**

Total: \$5,199



## 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.

A6 \$15 for a pack of 12 DLE \$15 for a pack of 12



## Responsorial Psalm 22

## 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**

2018 Columban Calendars are now available for purchase from the Parish Office for \$12 each.

All proceeds go toward supporting St Columbans Mission Society.



## Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Juan Pablo Lampe

Maria Asuncion, Tom Cresswell, Zilla Gini, James O'Neil, Mary O'Shea, Nora Johnson, **Anniversaries:** 

Melva Gould, Michael McMullen, Fr Peter Kiley sm, Veronica Rigby



Prayers for the Sick: Bill Carroll, Mary Anne Merrin, 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

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.







#### **Data Projector Operators**

We urgently need more people to help with the Data Projector at the 5pm Mass on Sunday evening. This is a very important ministry and suited to our younger parishioners who are more 'computer savvy' than those of us born before the computer age.

If you would like to volunteer with this ministry please contact Father Barry, Sister Frances or the Parish Office on 04 473 8074. This is an urgent request.

#### **5pm Mass Music Assistance**

The musicians and singers who support the 5pm Mass are keen for some more members. Both more musical instruments and voices would be great. We rehearse before Mass. A stronger group helps everyone. Come and talk to us after ,mass or contact Kathy Perreau at kathyperreau1@gmail.comn 021 570 413 or Tania tania.a.savage@gmail.com

#### **Mass of Remembrance**

We are preparing for our annual Remembrance Mass. The Mass will be celebrated in the Church on Thursday 30 November, at 5.15pm. It is a very special time to pray for our loved who have passed. All are welcome.

## **November - Month of the Holy Souls**

During the month of November there will be a Remembrance Book in the Church for Holy Souls. You are invited to write the names of any Holy Souls in the book, and they will be prayed for at every Mass celebrated in our Church. The book is on a small table in front of Our Lady's Altar.

## **Final Chance to Speak Directly to Pope Francis** Before 2018 Synod

Next year will see a focus by the Catholic Church on young people, their views, thoughts and dreams for their faith and relationship with the Church. We had a wonderful response from youth in New Zealand with our own survey. As this year draws to a close, Pope Francis is giving young people a final opportunity to speak more directly to him, our Holy Father. Read more on Synod 2018 and take up this final chance before the Synod to be heard.

Visit and complete the Synod 2018 survey before **30 November 2017** by visiting: http://youth.synod2018.va/content/synod2018/en.html

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## Amoris Laetitia - The Joy of Love

TCI Open Lecture on Sunday 3 December, 8pm at the Sacred Heart Cathedral, Thorndon. Don't' miss this opportunity to hear from visiting theologian Dr Rocio Figueroa from Good Shepherd College in Auckland. This lecture will outline some of the challenges our families face and using this important 2016 papal document, will seek to answer your questions. All welcome.

## **Advent Vespers**

Join us as we celebrate Advent Vespers with our wonderful friends from St John's Presbyterian Church. This has been a long tradition over many years between our two Churches. On Sunday 3 December at 7.30pm in St Mary of the Angels Church. Come and participate with the Choir's from both St John's and St Mary of the Angel's in this Advent liturgy.

## **Bach Choir Concert**

The Mass in Times of War. The Bach Choir will present a concert of two wonderful Masses, by Haydn and Kodaly, at St Peter's Church, Willis St on Sunday 10 December at 3pm. Ivan Patterson conducts, Douglas Mews organ accompaniment, and vocal soloists. Tickets \$30/\$25 concession, children free.

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