

For Your Diaries : 2018

20 May, Annual Combined Pentecost Service

Come along at 7.30pm to St John's in the City (corner Willis and Dixon Streets) and be a part of this special event.

22 May, Holy Hour

You are invited to a Holy Hour beginning at 7.30 pm in the Cathedral chapel to pray for vocations to priesthood and consecrated life. All are welcome.

23 May, Teaching Night

Hosted by Catholic Charismatic Renewal at 7.30pm at St Anne's Hall, Emmett Street, Newtown. Rainer Hensel & Michael Powell will be speaking on the theme 'The Gift of Discernment'.

24 May, Believe - Young Adult Formation

The hour and a half long sessions continue at 6pm. in the parish hall. Go to facebook.com/SMOAYoungAdults/ for details

27 May, Curry and the Real Presence

You're invited to join the Young Adults for curry and a movie after the 5pm Mass in the parish hall. Please let us know if you're coming by emailing smayacs@gmail.com before May 25..

27 May, Sacred Heart Cathedral School Mini Gala

Come along from 11.30am to 1.30pm to Sacred Heart Cathedral School Guildford Tce, Thorndon . We have books and games and more!

11 June, Pa Maria Winter Film Series

The first season of the film series "Called to Be Blessed" - *Reflections on the Beatitudes*. For further info and/or to register please contact Fr Brian Cummings SM, 04 212 4691 or 021 703 580 or email bgcummings@xtra.co.nz

5 June, Life in the Spirit Seminar

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15 June, The Fernie Organ at St Mary of the Angels

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19 June, Suzanne Aubert's Birthday Celebration

Mass will be celebrated at 6pm in St Anne's Church, Newtown.

16 July, Non-Residential Guided Retreat

"The Pilgrim" will be held at Pā Maria Marist Spirituality Centre, 78 Hobson Street, Thorndon. Contact Fr Brian Cummings sm on 04 212 4691, 021 703 580 or email bgcummings@xtra.co.nz

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St Mary of the Angels Parish

Church and Presbytery:

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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

20 May 2018, Pentecost Sunday

Parish Priest

Fr Barry Scannell SM
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Sr Frances Gibbs CSB

Director of Music

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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

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

"Whoever loves me will keep my Word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him." (John 14:23) This presence is possible through the power of the Holy Spirit. "The love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us." (Romans 5:5) When the work which God the Father had given the Son to do on earth was accomplished, the Holy Spirit was sent on the day of Pentecost.

The Holy Spirit gifts us in ways that make us holy. There are names for these gifts: **Wisdom** – which helps a person value the things of heaven, **Understanding** – which enables the person to grasp the truth of religion, **Counsel** – which helps one see and correctly choose the best practical approach in serving God, **Fortitude** – which steels a person's resolve in overcoming obstacles to living the faith, **Knowledge** which helps one see the path to follow and the danger to one's faith, **Piety** – which fills a person with confidence in God and an eagerness to serve God, **Fear of the Lord** – which makes a person keenly aware of God's sovereignty and the respect due to God and God's laws.

We use the word **grace** to describe the presence in us of God's living, dynamic Spirit. Grace gives us an abundant inner life and transforms the meaning and direction of our lives and helps us to do so in the company of others, building up the Body of Christ.

Praying with our Neighbours

For many years it has been a tradition that we join with St John's Presbyterian Church and St Peter's Anglican Church for a combined liturgy on Pentecost evening. Each parish takes it in turn to host this important ecumenical opportunity to pray with our neighbours.

This year St John's will host us in what has become a beautiful way in which to symbolise how much we share in common. Music can be a wonderful unifying ingredient and this will be shown by the choirs of the three communities leading the singing.

I do hope that many parishioners of St Mary of the Angels will feel drawn to attending this evening, **20 May, at 7.30pm** at St John's Presbyterian Church on the corner of Willis and Dixon Streets.

Father Kevin Conroy s.m.
Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading Acts 2:1-11
They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

Second Reading Galatians 5:16-25
The fruit of the Spirit.

Gospel John 15:26-27; 16:12-15
The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40
Psalm: 32
Second Reading: Romans 8:14-17
Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$4,922



Thank You

A sincere thank you to those who have generously responded to the request in the Angelus for donations to complete the work on the Church and grounds. A total of \$120,282 has been raised towards the final total of \$156,552. Once we have raised sufficient money to pay all the bills our focus will be the ongoing maintenance programme for the church.

Teaching Night

Hosted by Catholic Charismatic Renewal on Wednesday 23 May at 7:30pm at St Anne's Hall, Emmett Street, Newtown. Rainer Hensel & Michael Powell will be speaking on the theme 'The Gift of Discernment'. Evening includes Praise & Worship, group discussion and fellowship. Everyone is welcome!

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Fr Brian Austin

Anniversaries: Morgan Price, Brian Flynn, Michael Cenek, Margaret Fogarty, Mary Davidson, Maxwell Fernie, Colleen Pocock, Su-Yen Bok

Prayers for the Sick: Barbara Stairs, Victor Stairs, Brendan Gilmore, Fr David Dowling, Nancy Grealish, Mary Rose Keller, Geoff Sweet, Dianne Sweet, Colleen Kennedy, Gil Lescher, Mary Crompton, Teresa Jeong, Losalia Leo, Patricia Smyth, John Foden, Jan Tuinman, John Mora, Maria Kim, 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.

Responsorial Psalm 103

R. Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are,
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches. **R.**

You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. **R.**

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. **R.**



Alle-lu- a, Alle-lu-ia.

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Prayer for Christian Unity Week

As people of the new covenant, sealed in the blood of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ we turn to you, O God, for renewed strength to more faithfully witness the unity of your family. We seek the healing touch of your mercy, O Loving God, glorious in your power, that we might walk with greater trust the way of peace. Help us to put aside the differences that do not matter, while honouring the diversity that blesses your all-embracing love. Move us forward, hand in hand, that your covenant of peace might be the cause of unity for your people and the whole world. In the name of Jesus, who prayed that all might be one.

Amen - (Fr James B Lyons)

Pa Maria Winter Film Series

"Called to Be Blessed" - *Reflections on the Beatitudes*

- Season 1: Mondays 11, 18, 25 June & 2 & 9 July
 - Season 2: Mondays 13, 20, 27 August & 3 & 10 September
 - Season 3: Thursdays 16, 23, 30 August & 6 & 13 September
- For further information and/or to register please contact Fr Brian Cummings SM: phone (04) 212 4691 or 021 703 580 or email bgcumplings@xtra.co.nz

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Holy Hour

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Believe - Young Adult Formation

This is a perfect opportunity for anyone who wants to deepen their own faith and/or get the "big picture" of our Catholic Faith in its beautiful entirety. The hour and a half long sessions continue this **Thursday 24 May** at 6pm. in the parish hall. Go to facebook.com/SMOAYoungAdults/ for more details

Curry and the 'Real Presence'

You're invited to join the Young Adults for curry after the 5pm Mass on 27 May in the parish hall (est. round 6:15pm). We'll have a curry dinner together, time to chat, and will also be watching Bishop Barron's video titled 'Eucharist - Sacred Meal, Sacrifice, Real Presence'. Please let us know if you're coming by emailing smayacs@gmail.com before May 25 so we know how much food to prepare.

Sacred Heart Cathedral School Mini Gala

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Housing Sought for Refugee Families

Rental housing is needed urgently for two Wellington families: a family of eight and a family of six. Both are in temporary living situations right now, while a number of agencies are urgently seeking permanent homes for them. Can you help find an affordable rental home? If you can assist please contact l.beech@wn-catholicsocialservices.org.nz

April Refugee Intake - Thanks to All!

Wellington Catholic Social Services would like to thank everyone who contributed in April to preparing homes for 39 former refugees in 11 households, plus providing bedding to two additional family reunification households. For more information about this work, or to contribute to preparing homes for 10 households arriving in June, please contact CSS by emailing refugees@wn-catholicsocialservices.org.nz or phone 04-3858642.

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