

For Your Diaries : 2018

19 August, An Afternoon of Sacred Songs and Broadway

From 2pm - 4pm, Joe Moorman will be singing at a concert at St. Patrick's Church, Wainuiomata. For tickets or information call Alan at 04 564 6904.

20 August, Kraft D'Souza's Funeral Mass

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21 August, St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

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24-26 August, Priesthood & Religious Life Information & Prayer Weekend

Information at www.maristseminary.org.nz or facebook.com/marists. Email Fr Pat Breeze SM at vocations@smnz.org.nz.

25 & 26 August, The Maori Pastoral Care Appeal

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28—30 September, National Catholic Men's Event – MAX18NZ

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A LEGACY OF FAITH



Remembering St Mary of the Angels in your will provides an ideal opportunity to make a statement of your faith and to give resources that will support your Church for years to come.

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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

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Parish Accountant

Jeanette Temelo

smoamanager@xtra.co.nz

Parish Office

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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

19 August 2018, 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Mass – Access to our Lord, the Bread of Life.

You might remember back to 29th July. On that Sunday we heard the Feeding of the 5000 Miracle. For the next four Sundays we are hearing Jesus explain that action. In fact, it is one long homily given by our Lord, following the miracle. We know it's a homily because St John adds near the very end, 'This is what Jesus taught in the synagogue at Capernaum.' We are getting Jesus' homily in four 'bites' over four weeks - which is good and bad. Good because we get a manageable piece at a time to consider, but bad because we could easily lose the thread of Jesus' thinking. It is worth reading the whole chapter (Chapter 6 of St John's Gospel) from start to finish in your own time over these weeks.

I have said that it is a synagogue sermon in the Jewish style. And we Christians have inherited this same format in our Mass. Jesus takes two readings from the Bible and teases them out alongside each other, in order to explain his own actions (the Miracle). You can probably see already where I am leading. The first Bible reading ('He gave them bread from heaven to eat') comes from Exodus (ch 16) and Psalm 78 (v 24). Later, Jesus adds another quote v 45. 'It is written in the prophets, "They will all be taught by God."' This line is from Isaiah (ch54 v13).

In the Sunday Mass we also read two readings, interspersed by a Psalm. Then follows the Gospel reading – about something that Jesus said or did. Yes, it is the same pattern as that used by Jesus, and the rabbis, 2000 years ago. The old throws light on the new.

As we know, the Mass is a very ancient prayer. It has been pulled and stretched all sorts of ways over the centuries, but stubbornly the Church clings to it, protects it and fights for it. The bishops, as the successors of the apostles, have that responsibility and the rest of us owe them our cooperation in this holy task. They are duty bound to hand it on.

Christ and the Mass are at the centre of this great chapter of St John on the Bread of Life. Through the Mass, validly celebrated, we today are still able to receive, freely and often, this Bread from Heaven, who is Jesus, our Food for the journey. And thanks be to God.

Father Peter McAfee sm

Assistant Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6
Come and eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared.

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20
Be watchful that you may know the will of God.

Gospel: John 6:51-58
My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18
Second Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32

Psalm: 33
Gospel: John 6:60-69

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$5,456



N.B. The Angelus will show mistakes in our staffing until the current print-run is used up.

Our Pastoral Team for 2018 is:

Parish Priest: Fr Kevin Conroy SM.

Assistant Priests: Fr Joe Savesi SM, Fr Peter McAfee SM.

In Residence: Fr Brian Wysocki SM

Pastoral Assistant: Sr Frances Gibbs CSB.

Music Director - Robert Oliver chant4robert@gmail.com

Ministry Volunteers Needed

We require more Altar Servers, Readers, Ministers of Holy Communion for all Masses. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office on 04 473 8074 .

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Vincent Rosario, Kraft D'Souza

Anniversaries: Anna Zonotto, Kathleen McCready, Deyls Reed, Noeline Ryan, Br Adrian Kennedy sm, Bernard Lynch, Kevin Fitzgerald, Dean Gifford, Joan Killen

Prayers for the Sick: Bea Stewart, Miriam Wilkins, Barbara Stairs, Victor Stairs, Brendan Gilmore, Nancy Grealish, Mary Rose Keller, Geoff Sweet, Dianne Sweet, 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 33

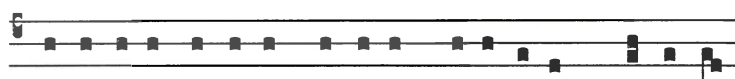
R Taste and see the goodness of the Lord

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**

Revere the Lord, you his saints.
They lack nothing, those who revere him.
Strong lions suffer want and go hungry
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing **R.**

Come, children, and hear me
that I may teach you the fear of the Lord.
Who is he who longs for life
and many days, to enjoy his prosperity? **R.**

Then keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from speaking deceit.
Turn aside from evil and do good;
seek and strive after peace. **R.**



Gusta-te et vi-de-te quo-ni- am su-a-vis est Domi-nus.

O taste and see how sweet the Lord is.

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Parishioners, please invite someone whom you know to be interested in our Catholic Faith and pray for the RCIA Candidates, Sponsors, and Leaders.

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Rosary

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Catholic Foundation Scholarships

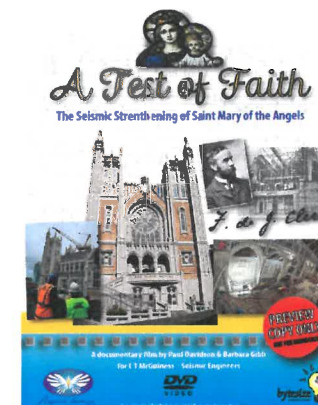
The Catholic Foundation Scholarships open on Monday 31 July and close on 31 August 2018. Catholic Foundation Scholarships are available to Catholic students residing in the Wellington Archdiocese who are in their final year of secondary education. Full criteria and application forms are available on our website or through the Secretary.

Society of Mary Priests and Brothers

Communities of men committed to lives of prayer and service, disciples of Jesus inspired by the example of His mother Mary, sharing the mission of the Church locally and internationally. If you know someone who might consider life as a Marist priest or brother there is an information and prayer weekend 24-26 August. Information at www.maristseminary.org.nz or facebook.com/marists. Email Fr Pat Breeze SM at vocations@smnz.org.nz

A Test of Faith

The documentary 'A Test of Faith' provides a wonderful insight into the construction work that has taken place over the past four years with the seismic strengthening of the Church. The documentary also included the story of the Church in Wellington from 1843 and in particular the three Churches that have been built on the present St Mary of the Angels Church. If you would like to see this amazing documentary you can purchase a DVD from the Parish Office. The cost is \$30 and all proceeds go to the Seismic Strengthening Fund.



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