

For Your Diaries : 2018

26 August, The Māori Pastoral Care Appeal

Saturday, 25 August (Vigil Mass) and Sunday, 26 August 2018. Your prayerful and financial support contributes to work in Māori communities, parishes, schools and groups in the archdiocese. Kia ora tātou katoa, ngā manaakitanga. Thank you all and blessings.

28 August, Holy Hour

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2 September, Greenstone Doors Reopening

2pm-4pm, 15 Dudley Street, Lower Hutt. RSVP by 28 August greenstoneddoors15@gmail.com or 027 254 9222. We look forward to seeing you there.

11 September, Adult Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

Perhaps you know someone who is curious about the Catholic Faith? St Mary of the Angels is holding an introductory evening on 7.15pm in the Parish Hall. If you would like more information or wish to enrol please contact the Parish Office 04 473 8074 or email: smoaoffice@xtra.co.nz

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

The event offers a unique opportunity to deepen an understanding of God's call and challenge within our lives. It will be held at Kings College, Auckland over the weekend of 28/30 September. See flyer on display at the church entrance and also www.max18nz for more information. MAX = Men Alive for Christ.

5-7 October, Ecclesia Dei Society of NZ Retreat

You are warmly invited to attend the Ecclesia Dei (Latin Mass) Society of NZ Retreat. Bishop Basil Meeking, Emeritus Bishop of Christchurch, will lead the retreat and he will give three inspiring talks. The Latin Mass will be offered each day with Rosary, devotions, Adoration, Reconciliation and time for meditation. On Friday 5 October to Sunday 7 October at The Home of Compassion, Island Bay, Wellington. The cost for the full retreat with all meals \$250.00; Day attendance (no meals or accommodation) \$40.00; other options available on request. Contact Neil Coup on 04 589 6924; 021 896924, or Jan Curran; 07 838 2646; janetcurran@jtcurren.co.nz

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St Mary of the Angels Parish

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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

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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

26 August 2018, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pathway to Intentional Discipleship – A Change of Consciousness

Staying with Jesus is always a decision. To come to that decision involves a gradual shift in consciousness. A recent author I appreciate is Sherry Weddell and she uses the term Intentional Discipleship to describe this shift in consciousness, a shift that all Christians are called to grow in.

In her book, Forming Intentional Disciples – The Path to Knowing & Following Jesus, (Our Sunday Visitor Publishing Division, Indiana, 2012) Weddell describes a time in Europe when there was a great flowering of Christianity. There is the example of Francis de Sales in 1594 who set out to re-evangelise 60,000 people in the Chablais, alpine France. In the 1590s, Paris experienced a Catholic revival. It came from turning to prayer, penance, a life of serious, communal devotion and mission. (I.e. Intentional discipleship). The reformers were not trying to restore the pre-Reformation Church but bring a fresh approach including importing innovations from people such as Teresa of Avila (Spain), Philip Neri (Rome), the Confraternity of Catholic Doctrine (Milan), and Francis of Assisi who was renowned for his gentleness and trust in God (motto: Let us see what love will do).

The following generation led huge developments in organisational charitable works, evangelisation, missionary expansion, Catholic education and catechesis, renewal of the priesthood, parish, religious life and establishing the seminary system. There was also the French School of spirituality emphasising adoration, a personal relationship with Jesus and a rediscovery of the Holy Spirit. Vatican II drew from the French School – the universal call to holiness, the call of all the baptised to a personal relationship with Jesus at the heart of the Church and to apostolic witnessing. There was a flowering of new religious orders, many of them in Paris.

What can I learn from these saints and this great revival? They were intentional disciples. They were in mission together. They collaborated on a grand scale. They were present and future oriented. Apostolic creativity was the new normal. They expected God to act. They were deeply prayerful. They were faithful until death.

Father Kevin Conroy, sm
Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18

We will serve the Lord God, because he is our God.

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32

This is the great mystery, it applies to Christ and the Church.

Gospel: John 6:60-69

Lord, whom shall we go to? You have the words of everlasting life.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Second Reading: James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Psalm: 14

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$4,920



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.

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.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Vincent Rosario, Kraft D'Souza, Francis Conroy, Timothy Blennerhassett

Anniversaries: Patricia Goulter, Eunice Clarke, Brett Gray

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.**

The Lord turns his face against the wicked
to destroy their remembrance from the earth.
The Lord turns his eyes to the just
and his ears to their appeal. **R.**

They call and the Lord hears
and rescues them in all their distress.
The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;
those whose spirit is crushed he will save. **R.**

Many are the trails of the just man
but from them all the Lord will rescue him.
He will keep guard over all his bones,
not one of his bones shall be broken. **R.**

Evil brings death to the wicked;
those who hate the good are doomed.
The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.
Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. **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.

Greenstone Doors Reopening

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Prayer for World Meeting of Families

The World Meeting of Families (21-26 August, 2018) is taking place in Dublin, Ireland. Cardinal John is there and invites us to use the following prayer:

God, our Father,
We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, one family,
in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love.
Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous,
welcoming to those in need. Help us to live your
forgiveness and peace. Protect all families with your
loving care, especially those for whom we now pray: *[We pause and remember family members and others by name]*. Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, keep us
safe in your love, make us always grateful for the gift of
life that we share.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord,
Amen.

Holy Hour

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The Suzanne Aubert Tertiary Scholarship

These scholarships provide financial assistance to tertiary students from Wellington and Palmerston North Dioceses for their third year of tertiary studies. Please apply through www.compassion.org.nz/latest-news or the Facebook page by 31 October 2018. Contact Sr Lusiana Raratini at sr.lusi@compassion.org.nz.

Māori Pastoral Care Appeal

The annual Māori Pastoral Care Appeal takes place on the weekend of 25-26 August 2018.

Donations can be made at anytime during the year to Monsignor Gerard Burns, PO Box 1937, Wellington 6140, New Zealand.

The Marist family has just been celebrating 200 years since a small group in Lyon made a great promise to found a religious project taking on the way of being of Mary, the mother of Jesus as a way of spreading the Gospel.

When that project got papal approval many of the early members of that group were sent to New Zealand to carry out their promise. Here with Bishop Pompallier their first promise was to work among Māori. Religious sisters and lay people also took on that promise. The mission has been carried out in various ways by many dedicated people across Aotearoa in parishes, schools, marae, home, hospital and prison visits. Māori themselves have taken up the work.

In the Archdiocese of Wellington each year we have a collection to help fund the work of the pastoral care of Māori, specifically the work done by the Vicar for Māori, (Deacon Danny Karatea-Goddard) and Kaiāwhina Māori (Rangimoeroa Waikari-Panapa). This collection is a way of funding some of the fulfilment of the promise. Specific ways of doing that are:

- Assisting parishes, schools and communities with their knowledge of things Māori, use of te reo Māori in liturgies.
- Helping with sacramental and leadership programmes for children and young people.
- Providing opportunities for Mass in Māori.
- Assisting participation in Archdiocesan events, liturgies and celebrations.

*Monsignor Gerard Burns
Vicar General*

Christian Meditation Group

Join us each Monday evening for an hour of Christian meditation in the ancient form of contemplative prayer. All are welcome. At 7pm in the Chapel at Our Lady's Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay, Wellington. Ph. 04 383 7134 or 04 383 7769.

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