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MASSES

Sunday 7am, 9am, 11am, 5pm

Mon-Fri 7.30am, 12.05pm, 5.15pm

Saturday 11am

EACH MONTH

4th Saturday Sacrament of Anointing

at 11am Mass

ADORATION

Mon-Fri 6.30am - 7.20am

Friday 11am - Noon

RECONCILIATION

Mon-Thurs 11.30am - Noon

12.30pm - 1pm

4.30pm - 5pm

Friday 11am - 11.50pm

12.30pm - 1pm

4.30pm - 5pm

Saturday 10.30am - 10.55am

4pm - 5pm

7 March 2021, 3rd Sunday in Lent

TWO LEAKING PIPES TELL A STORY

Last Sunday we fare welled Fr. Peter McAfee on the eve of his unexpected move to the parish of Manurewa in Auckland. Finger food, drinks and speeches helped create a moment in which the many who gathered after the 11.00am mass could express their gratitude and appreciation to Fr. Peter for his work with the community of St Mary of the Angels these past three years. Gifts were offered, including one from Anne French, chairperson of the choir - a beautifully printed theological treatise written by St. Thomas Aquinas, a famous medieval saint, which will provide Fr. Peter with much challenging reading. As with all farewells it was a happy yet sad occasion. Later that Sunday evening, when our Marist community gathered to mark his departure, Fr. Peter said how touched he felt by everything that happened during the farewell.

Perhaps more than the food, the speeches and the gifts a spectacular water feature in the parish hall during the farewell created much interest and drew a lot of comment. Two water pipes in the hall ceiling had burst overnight! And so, a constant stream of water was leaking into a large rubbish bucket strategically positioned beneath the two pipes. Needless to say, this was not intentional!

However, that we had such a problem does tell us something about the state of the parish hall and, indeed, the kitchen, bathrooms, offices and meeting rooms that are part of the parish center. Simply put, the project to strengthen and refurbish the parish center is necessary and timely!

This Sunday you will find in the Angelus an insert or hand-out which describes the project plans and also provides the bank details necessary to make a donation. These details are also printed in the Angelus newsletter as a cut-out form that can be handed into the parish office so that we can track your donation.

We plan to begin the project in August this year and finish it in time for the centennial celebrations of St Mary of the Angels Church in March of next year.

I am appealing to you to support this project which will cost \$1.17 million. Reaching this target would mean that our St Mary of the Angels community would finally have a fully strengthened and refurbished church and parish facilities to welcome and support, for many years to come, the many people who draw comfort and inspiration from Mary's presence in the heart of Wellington.

I know I can count on your generous commitment to St Mary of the Angels, your spiritual home.

Fr Kevin Mowbray—Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading

Exodus

20:1-17

The Law was given through Moses.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

We are preaching a crucified Christ, a scandal to many, but to those who have been called, the wisdom of God.

Gospel

John

2:13-25

Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading:

2 Chronicles

36:14-16, 19-23

Psalm:

Gospel:

Second Reading:

Ephesians

2:4-10

John

3:14-21



21 Feb Collection

Sunday Collection:

\$2,465

Automatic Payments:

\$1,655

Total: \$4,120

XLT Wellington (eXaLT)

XLT is a monthly youth event involving food and fellowship, live praise & worship, Reconciliation and Eucharistic Adoration. XLT is aimed at Year 9 – 13 Students (but open to all!). Venue for 2021 TBC.

Safeguarding Advisor Role

The Archdiocese is seeking applications for the Safeguarding Advisor role". This is a permanent, part time role focusing on Safeguarding in the Archdiocese. Please refer to this month's edition of Welcom or the ADW website for further information.

Responsorial Psalm 18

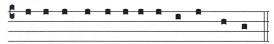
R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. R.

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart. The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. R.

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. R.

They are more to be desired than gold, than the purest of gold and sweeter are they than honey, than honey from the comb. R.



Domi-ne. verba vi-tae aeternae ha-bes. Lord, you have the words of eternal life.

Joshua Mass

Everybody is invited to the Joshua Mass (provided we are in Level 1) followed by supper on Thursday 18 March at 7.30pm in St Joseph's Church, 42 Ellice Street, Mt Victoria (between Basin Reserve and Mt Victoria tunnel). Fr Peter Ewart sm will be celebrating the Mass. Bring something to share for supper! Thanks. Want to know more? Ring Steve Ready 027-356-9555 or email joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

Mass has been offered for:

Recently deceased: Andrew McCarthy, George Bok, Carol Armstrong, Xavier Reidy

Anniversaries:

Mary O'Brien, Jack Wills, Aileen Gallagher, Jan Tuinman, Richard Mansor, Fr Chris Penders AA,

Gillean Alexander McDowell, Patricia Gertrude McDowell, Christopher Alexander McDowell,

Thomas Matthew Heffernan, Dorothy Heffernan

Prayers for the Sick: Peter Aldridge, John Adams, Geoff Sweet, Dianne Sweet, Losalia Leo, John Foden, John Mora,



Kerry Barber, Pam Finlayson, Paul and Francisca Sparnaay, Brendan Gilmore, Pat Johnson, Barbara and Vic Stairs, Shirley Mahony, Samara Jamed, Bill Carroll, Laurie Butler, Mario Barnao 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.





Councillor **Nicola Young**

representing Lambton ward

Please contact me if I can help with a City Council issue

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ST MARY OF THE ANGELS PARISH CENTRE FUNDRAISING APPEAL I would like to help preserve the St Mary of the Angels Parish Centre Bank Account Details: SMOA - Parish Centre Upgrade Name: 02 0536 0003242 50 Address: BNZ, Lambton Quay, Wellington Please provide your name and Address (or Email: Tel: Parish Planned Giving/Envelope number) as - I would like to make a regular payment of \$ to be paid reference. each month year for 2 years. All donations are tax deductible and a receipt will be issued. - I would like to make a one-off payment of

\$1,000

\$500

\$200

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\$2,000

\$5,000

Young Catholic's of Wellington

\$10,000

We thrive when we belong to a whānau or community. So if you are a young Catholic looking for a Catholic whānau come join us. We welcome our University students and young professionals especially those new to the city. Join us for some fun, fellowship, and formation at St Mary of the Angels right in the heart of the city.

Upcoming Events:

\$50,000

- 9 March: Adoration (SMOA Church) followed by Pizza Night
- 14 March: WellCath Movie Night

\$20,000

- 23 March: CYP Speaker Series followed by Dinner
- 28 March: Dinner after 5pm Mass

For more information email us at smayacs@gmail.com or call us on 0223949899 or stay in touch using our parish app.

Find us on Facebook:

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An initiative by the CYP+ SMAYAC'S + WellCath.

Covid Alert Level I

While we are at Alert Level 1 ALL Masses and Reconciliation times are running as per the normal timetable, with no restrictions to numbers.

The following is still in place:

- ♦ Communion under one kind only, therefore no Precious Blood is to be distributed
- No physical contact at the Sign of Peace
- Communion on the hand only

Go to www.smoa.org.nz/covid19updates for more information and for Cardinal John Dew's full announcement.

Prayer for Parish Centre Project

Other \$

please specify

Gracious God, Creator of the Universe, you made us in your own image and likeness.

You gave us wisdom and understanding, grateful hearts and creative minds.

We pray that our Parish Centre will be strengthened against the peril of earthquake through the generosity of parishioners, the community of Wellington and people throughout New Zealand.

We ask, Lord, that you abundantly bless those who have already donated funds, skill and expertise to this project.

May St Mary of the Angels Parish Centre be a symbol of a unified community that will gather to praise and thank you.

Mary our Mother, pray for us.

Rite of Election

The Rite of Election for our candidates and catechumens on the RCIA program will take place on the 7th of March at the 9am Mass. Please continue to pray for Tjendrawati Sidharta, Gisela Kristono, Hananto Kristono, Laura Chevalier, Dheshni Pillay, Seth Nicholson and Mark Haydock as they continue on their spiritual journey towards being received into the Catholic community at Easter.

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Bank Account Details:

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St Mary of the Angels is registered with the Charities Commission. All donations are tax deductible and a receipt issued.

SMOA Church App

If you haven't already downloaded our new Parish App onto your smart phone, please do! On the app, you'll be able to view the newsletters, Mass times, upcoming events and more. You will also have the option to receive alert notifications, particularly if you are a part of a Parish group or ministry. To download the app, follow the steps below:

- 1. Go to your App Store or Google Play Store and search "ChurchAppsNZ"
- 2. Download the app, and then select St Mary of the Angels as a Parish
- 3. The app will then prompt you to select which "alert groups" you want to be a part of. Select as many or as few of these groups as you like. You will be able to change this later if you need to.

If you need any help setting this up, please do not hesitate to contact Abby at the parish office.

Call for Skills

Recently we put a request out for assistance in Liturgy and Ministry here at SMOA. After a great response it has come to our attention that we have a lot of skilled Parishioners willing to offer a hand. We understand people are not always available regularly on a Sunday to commit to a Ministry, but have other skills and are willing to assist us every now and then. If you have any skills from being a handyman or handywoman, an expert with a needle and thread or a knack for cleaning we would love to hear from you! If you have any service, skill or willing to lend a helping hand, please send an email through to smoamanager@xtra.co.nz or phone 04 473 8074 to speak to Abby and offer a much needed helping hand.

Cathedral Fundraising Hampers

The Cathedral Fundraising Committee for the strengthening of our Sacred Heart Cathedral would be grateful of your support by buying tickets for a hamper raffle which will be specifically for St Mary of the Angel's Parish. The tickets will be available on 14 and 21 March. On the 28 March the raffle will be drawn, just in time for Easter.



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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.

Please contact the Parish Office for further details.

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