

The Angelus

St Mary of the Angels Parish

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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

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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

4 April 2021, Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

St Mary of the Angels Church to Become National Shrine of Our Lady Assumed into Heaven

All the country's Catholic bishops will gather in Wellington on Sunday 15 August for a Mass to renew Bishop Pompallier's 1838 dedication of Aotearoa New Zealand to Our Lady Assumed into Heaven.

The Mass will be celebrated at the Wellington landmark St Mary of the Angels Church, which will become the national shrine of Our Lady Assumed into Heaven.

The bishops have commissioned an icon artwork of Mary by Christchurch artist Damien Walker. The work will be taken on a hiko around each of the country's six Catholic dioceses in the three months leading to the Solemnity of the Assumption.

The hiko will start in May at Totara Point in the Hokianga, where Bishop Jean-Baptiste Pompallier celebrated the first Mass on New Zealand soil on 13 January 1838 and dedicated the country to Mary under the title of Our Lady Assumed into Heaven.

After the hiko, the painting will be displayed in the baptism alcove of St Mary of the Angels, which will become a national shrine to Mary.

"The painting presents Mary as a symbol of unity in her universal motherhood, uniting Heaven and Earth in her son," Damien says. "She reflects the unity of the Church, which reaches to the ends of the Earth, stretching not only across the oceans but across the centuries as well. The work has a distinctly New Zealand flavour, emphasising also the unity of the tangata whenua with all the other peoples who have come to live alongside them in the partnership of biculturalism, called to live the same faith and baptism, each in their unique way."

Father Kevin Mowbray, SM, Parish Priest of St Mary of the Angels, says the church community is honoured and excited to be chosen as the national shrine: "Mary herself was a pilgrim following her son in difficult and dangerous times," says Fr Kevin. "So, it is fitting that we should ask her, at this present moment in our history through such a re-dedication, to accompany the Church in Aotearoa New Zealand as it too walks in faith with the Lord."

Bishop Pompallier – who was associated with the Society of Mary – was this country's first Catholic bishop, serving from 1838 to 1868, when he returned to his native France. He took part in negotiations at Waitangi in 1840 before the signing of the Treaty, and published some of the first printed Māori prayer books and Bibles.

- Excerpt from the media release by the NZCBC, view the full release at catholic.org.nz and the WelCom Newspaper.

Easter Sunday Readings

Mass of the Day

First Reading Acts 10:34. 37-43
We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Second Reading Colossians 3:1-4
Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Gospel John 20:1-9
The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.


Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Acts 4:32-35

Psalm: Psalm 117

Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6

Gospel: John 20:19-31

	Last Week's Collection
	Sunday Collection: \$2,407
	Automatic Payments: \$3,253
Total: \$5,660	

Bach Choir

The Bach Choir of Wellington presents Dvořák's *Stabat Mater*, Op. 58, 3pm Saturday 17 April at Queen Margaret College, Thorndon. In his setting of the 13th Century poem describing Mary at the foot of the cross, Dvořák captures his own faith journey through sadness, solace, acceptance, and affirmation, after losing his three young children in the span of one year. The choir is joined by soloists Michaela Cadwgan, Linden Loader, Jamie Young, and Simon Christie, accompanied by Douglas Mews, and is under the direction of Shawn Michael Condon. Tickets available from Eventfinda: \$30/\$25, school children free entry.

Responsorial Psalm 117

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.

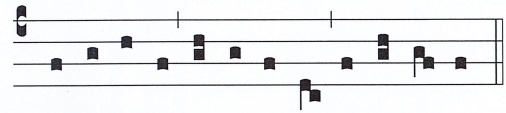
Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end'. **R.**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. **R.**



Alle- lu-ia Alle - lu-ia Alle- lu- ia

Planned Giving

Donation envelopes for the new financial year are available for you to collect at the back of the church, listed by surname in alphabetical order. Please check that the number on your envelopes is the same as on your label. If any details are incorrect please contact the Parish Office on Monday 04 473 8074. End of financial year tax receipts will be available by the end of April.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently deceased: Lawrence Butler, John Foden, Wanda Wheeler, Andrew McCarthy, Br Marty Williams sm

Anniversaries: Lucie Halberstan, Fr Mark Beban sm, Fr Jim Beban sm, Hyland. Margaret, Gerard O'Brien, Birja Nand, Leo Connolly, Anita Rae

Prayers for the Sick: Peter Aldridge, John Adams, Geoff Sweet, Dianne Sweet, Losalia Leo, 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, Barbara Jones
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.


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Prayer for Parish Centre Project

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.

Young Catholic's of Wellington

Join us for some fun, fellowship, and formation right in the heart of the city.

7 April: Catholic Young Professionals have Member of Parliament Simon O'Connor speaking on "Being Catholic in the Modern World" at 6 pm in the Crypt.

13 April: SMAYACs will have the next Adoration night followed with Pizza, 5.45pm in SMOA Church. For more information email us at smayacs@gmail.com or call us on 0223949899 or stay in touch using our parish app.

17 April: WellCath Picnic, see WellCath Facebook page for details.

27 April: CYP Speed Networking in the Hall, 6pm.

Find us on Facebook :

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www.facebook.com/wellcathyoungadults

www.facebook.com/cypwellington

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

Covid Alert Level 1

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.

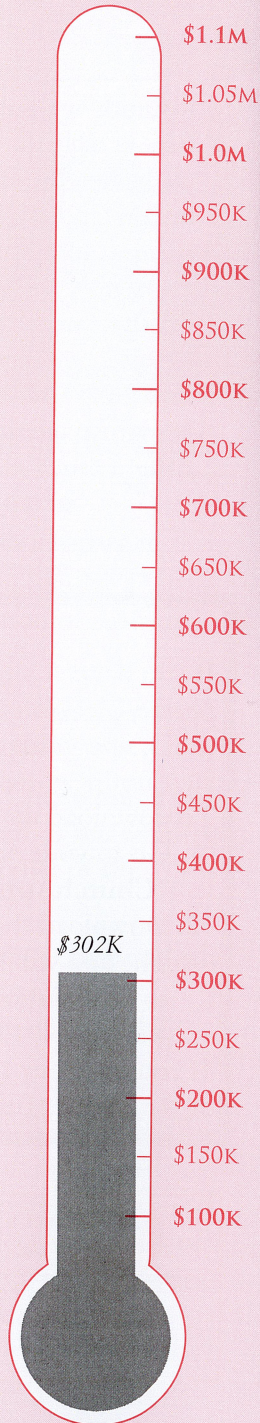
Consecration to St. Joseph

Pope Francis declared this year as the Year of St. Joseph. St. Joseph is the Foster Father of Jesus, Patron of the Universal Church and Pillar of Families. In the midst of crisis, confusion and a world at odds with Christian values, it is time to entrust ourselves to our spiritual father. Join 33 Day Consecration to St. Joseph starting on March 30 to the Day of Consecration, May 1, the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker. Register at www.marriageandfamily.org.nz or email info@marriageandfamily.org.nz for more info. - *The Centre for Marriage and Family*

Joshua Fellowship

Come and join other men for a cuppa, prayer and short talks on Thursday 15 April 2021 at 7:30pm, fellowship from 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Held at a new venue 'Loaves and Fishes' next to Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth Streets. We will be hearing 'Twin Testimonies' by Marshall Garrett and Orlando Basabas. If you want to know more ring Steve Ready on 0273569555 or email joshua.wgtn@gmail.com.

PARISH CENTRE APPEAL



ST MARY OF THE ANGELS PARISH CENTRE FUNDRAISING APPEAL

I would like to help preserve the St Mary of the Angels Parish Centre.

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SMOA - Parish Centre Upgrade

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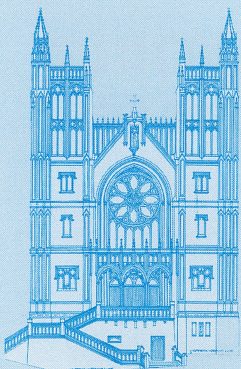
Please provide your name and address (or Parish Planned Giving/Envelope number) as reference. All donations are tax deductible and a receipt will be issued.

I would like to make a regular payment of \$ to be paid each month year for 2 years.

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Gianna's Choice

Pregnancy Options and Support. We are here 24/7 to answer your pregnancy questions and talk about your options. Call 0800 367 5433 or text 027 448 8070.

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.

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.



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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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