

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

18 July 2021, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is it kind? Is it important? Does it help?

These important questions are posed by 92 year old holocaust survivor Edith Egar in her best selling memoir "The Choice".

Edith was just 16 years old when she was taken to Auschwitz with her family. She lost her mother and father to the gas chambers the very day they arrived and she survived with the help and companionship of her sister. Decades later those experiences inform her book along with those of her mentor, another holocaust survivor, Viktor Frankl who wrote in "Man's Search for Meaning" - "Its not the events that determine who you are. It's how you chose to respond to them."

Edith also writes "You can't change what happened, you can't change what you did or was done to you. But you can choose how to live now". She counsels: "Instead of blaming others, take responsibility for your own actions and speech. Before you say or do something, ask, Is it kind? Is it important? Does it help?"

If we were to implement this advice in our dealings with others, it may become contagious and as stated in the forward to Edith's book -

"We are all "heroes in training". Our training is life, the daily circumstances that invite us to practise the habits of heroism: to commit daily deeds of kindness, to radiate compassion, starting with self compassion; to sustain love, to bring out the best in others and ourselves; to sustain love, even in the most challenging relationships; to celebrate and exercise the power of our mental freedom."

These words reflect those of Blessed Frederic Ozanam, founder of the Society of St Vincent de Paul who encouraged early members of the Society -

"Yours must be a work of love, of kindness. You must give of your time, your talents, yourselves. The poor person is a unique person of God's fashioning with inalienable right to respect. You must not be content with tiding the poor over the poverty crisis. You must study their condition and injustices which brought about such poverty, with the aim of long term improvement."

This is a challenge for us all, and we can start by asking ourselves before we speak or act:

Is it Kind? Is It important? Does it Help?

John Kennedy-Good - Parishioner

(We are fortunate to have an active *Vinnies* conference within the parish soon to be joined by the longstanding social justice group from St Josephs).

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MASSSES

Sunday 7am, 9am, 11am, 5pm
Mon-Fri 7.30am, 12.05pm, 5.15pm
Saturday 11am

ONCE 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

BAPTISM

Baptisms will be held only on the 2nd and 4th Sunday's of the month at 2pm. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Jeremiah 23: 1-6
The remnant of my flock I will gather to me, and bring them back to their pastures.

Second Reading: Ephesians 2: 13-18
Christ, our peace, has made us one.

Gospel: Mark 6: 30-34
They were as sheep without a shepherd.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: 2 Kings 4: 42-44

Psalm: 144

Second Reading: Ephesians 4: 1-6

Gospel: John 6:1-15



Last Week's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$2,710

Automatic Payments: \$2,850

Total: \$5,560

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.

Responsorial Psalm 22

**R. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.**

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my dropping spirit. **R.**

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort. **R.**

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **R.**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. **R.**



Domi-nus re-git me, et ni-hil mi-hi de-e-rit.

The Lord ruleth me, and I shall want nothing

Mass has been offered for:

Recently deceased: Paul Sparnaay, Patricia Hutchinson, Charles Lum, Gino Di Leva

Anniversaries: Maria Streefland, Toni Brennan, Barbara Kriebel, Bill Prior, Fr Bob Lee SM, Thomas O'Shaughnessy, Veronica Nolan

Prayers for the Sick: Shan Fonseca, Peter Aldridge, Geoff Sweet, Dianne Sweet, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Kerry Barber, Pam Finlayson, Francisca Sparnaay, Brendan Gilmore, Barbara and Vic Stairs, Shirley Mahony, Samara Jamed, Bill Carroll, Barbara Jones, Mary Buchanan, Jacob Myhre, Bill McLaughlin



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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Incorporation of St Joseph's Church

St Joseph's Church, Mt. Victoria will be formally incorporated into St Mary of the Angels Parish on Sunday, August 1st. The incorporation will take place during the 9.00am mass celebrated at St. Joseph's. The principal celebrant will be Cardinal John Dew. Consequently, **the 9am Mass at SMOA on August the 1st will be cancelled.** All are invited to attend the Mass at 9.00am at St Joseph's to celebrate this expansion of our parish. After the mass there will be refreshments provided so that we can meet and greet one another.

Cook Book Fundraiser

Copies of **Recipes for Restoration** are still available for purchase in the Church. This book is a 'must have' for every parishioner's kitchen, and a great gift idea. The cost is \$15 and payment can go into the St Theresa donation box in the back of the Church.

Stabat Mater

A concert of Baroque music at St Mary of the Angels Church on 21 July at 7.30pm.
 Bianca Andrew (mezzo soprano)~Joanna Foote (soprano)~Rhona Fraser (soprano)~Douglas Mews (conductor and continuo)~ Anne Loeser (concert master)~ Days Bay Opera Orchestra
 For bookings visit www.daysbayopera.org.nz or phone 021 069 4969 ~ Tickets—\$50

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St Vincent de Paul

The next meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is on Tuesday July 20th at 6pm in the Sacristy. This is the room to the left of the SMOA church altar. There is access from the carpark at the back.

Congratulations

Fr Joe celebrated his silver Jubilee of Ordination to Priesthood this week. We are celebrating today at the 9am Mass followed with morning tea over at Area Events. All are welcome.

XLT Youth Worship— Now Fri 23 July

Due to Wellington being in Alert Level 2, our June XLT had been postponed till 23 July. Come and encounter the Father's love as we explore the theme 'Welcome Home' (Luke 15:20). Join us for fellowship, prayer, food, live praise & worship, Reconciliation, and Eucharistic Adoration, all centered around a theme and aimed at Year 9-13 students (but open to young and old alike!). **7 pm - 9:30 pm on Friday 23rd July** at St Joseph's Mt Victoria. (Search XLT June on Facebook for more details!).

Night Carer Required

68 year old Catholic lady requires night carer for personal care/light duties. Accommodation available if required
 Phone: 027 85 90 774

Mozart's Vesperae solennes de Confessore

The Bach Choir of Wellington presents Mozart's Vesperae solennes de Confessore , K. 339 with Evening Music and Lullabies. The choir is pleased to welcome soloists from the New Zealand School of Music – Te Kōhanga to the stage: Shanah Chambers (soprano), Kate Anahi (mezzo), Lila Crichton (tenor), and Samuel McKeever (baritone). The choir is accompanied by Douglas Mews and under the direction of Shawn Michael Condon. Held at 4pm, Saturday 24 July at St Andrews on the Terrace Tickets available from Eventfinda \$30/\$25 - school children free entry.

PARISH CENTRE APPEAL



ST MARY OF THE ANGELS PARISH CENTRE FUNDRAISING APPEAL

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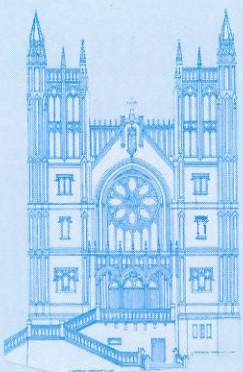
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 Please provide your name and address (or Parish Planned Giving/Envelope number) as reference. All donations are tax deductible and a receipt will be issued.

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

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\$50,000 \$20,000 \$10,000 \$5,000 \$2,000 \$1,000 \$500 \$200 Other \$ please specify

Please return your completed slip following your donation to ensure we have your details to issue a receipt.



**Latin Mass (Ecclesia Dei)
Society of New Zealand AGM**

Held on Saturday 24 July at the Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay, Wellington 6023 (Rhine Street is accessed via Murray Street) For further information contact: Neil Coup 021 896 924

St Catherine's College Auction Night

Held at the school in Kilbirnie, 7pm Friday 6 August. NZ art, food & drink, accommodation, experiences and a set of fitted hearing aids available for bids. Tickets \$30 each including light supper and a drink. Bar available. Email stcatherinescollegepta@gmail.com or go to www.trybooking.co.nz/HYY.

**Theology of the Body –
Human Love in the Divine Plan**

Course for young adults (ages 20+) on Saturday 31 July and Sunday 1 August. Held at St Joseph's Scouts Hall, 46 Royal Street, Upper Hutt. Contact info@marriageandfamily.org.nz, or 022 028 9737 for more information or to register.

Carpark Reminder

A friendly reminder that during the week the Church carparks that are numbered on the Church side of the carpark can not be used or have the

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.

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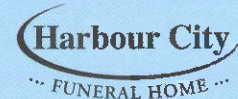
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