

# The Angelus

**St Mary of the Angels Parish**

**Including St Joseph's, Mount Victoria**

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Parish website: [www.smoa.org.nz](http://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*

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## St Mary of the Angels Church

### MASSES

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

Mon-Fri 7.30am, 12.05pm, 5.15pm

Saturday 11am

### EACH MONTH

4th Saturday - Anointing Mass - 11am

### 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

## St Joseph's Church

### MASSES

Sunday 9am

Tuesday 8.30am

### BAPTISMS

Baptisms will be held only on the 2nd and

4th Sundays of the month at 2pm. Please

contact the Parish Office if you are

interested.

## 14 November 2021, 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### A Question for You

There is a moment in the public life of Jesus when he confronts his closest disciples with a question, a question that challenged them as it still challenges us today:

*'Now Jesus and his disciples set out for the villages of Caesarea Philippi. Along the way He asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' They said in reply, 'John the Baptist, others Elijah, and still others one of the prophets.' And then he asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?'*

The question is so clear, even blunt, that it must have stopped Peter and his companions in their tracks. Jesus was asking them to declare themselves, to stand up and be counted. There was no avoiding the question. It had to be answered.

In our time Pope Francis has also challenged us with a question which is just as clear, even just as blunt as the one Jesus put to his disciples nearly two thousand years ago:

*'What do you say the Church should be? What do you want the Church to be in the future?'*

This is the question that is at the very heart of the Synod that Pope Francis has called – an Assembly of Bishops and other representatives of the Church - to meet in Rome in 2023. It is not the first such Synod. There have been numerous Synods since the Second Vatican Council finished in 1965. But this is the first Synod in which every member of the Church has been invited or challenged to contribute, to have their say.

It would be so easy to be jaundiced against this initiative of Pope Francis, even perhaps a little cynical. To think of it as nothing but a public relations exercise. But when has jaundice or cynicism ever achieved anything? We can either stand to one side and let the opportunity pass us by or participate and journey with the Church as it tries to be even more faithful to the Gospel.

It is a question that demands that we stand up and be counted. And we can begin to do precisely this by taking part in an afternoon of prayerful discernment at St. Joseph's, Mt Victoria on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November.

Never before in the history of the Church has a Pope issued such an invitation. Why would you turn it down?

*Fr Kevin Mowbray—Parish Priest*

### Synod Workshop

St Mary of the Angels Parish will be holding a Synod Workshop at St Joseph's Church on 20 November at 2pm until 4pm. The date for submissions has been changed from December this year to 30<sup>th</sup> of April next year. We are currently in dialogue with key persons at the Archdiocesan Centre to help us on the 20<sup>th</sup> of this month. If you would like to attend please register by contacting the Parish Office or 04 473 8074 or email [office.manager@smoa.org.nz](mailto:office.manager@smoa.org.nz). You can find information on the Synod by visiting the Archdiocese website on the Synod [www.wn.catholic.org.nz/about/archdiocesan-synod](http://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/about/archdiocesan-synod)



## This Week's Readings

**First Reading:** Daniel 12: 1-13

*When that time comes your own people will be spared.*

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 10: 11-14, 18

*By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.*

**Gospel:** Mark 13: 24-32

*He shall gather his elect from the four winds.*

## Next Week's Readings

**First Reading:** Daniel 7:13-14

**Psalm:** 92

**Second Reading:** Apocalypse 1: 5-8

**Gospel:** John 18: 33-37



## Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$2,065

Automatic Payments: \$5,415

**Total: \$7,480**

## Change of Sunday Mass Time at St Joseph's

From 28 November, the 1st Sunday of Advent, the Sunday Mass time at St Joseph's will change to 9.30am.

## Covid Alert Level 2

While we are at Alert Level 2 ALL Masses and Reconciliation times, except the 5.15pm Weekday Mass, are running as per the normal timetable.

Numbers are restricted to 100 people.

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

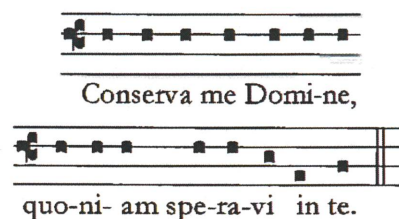
## Responsorial Psalm 15

**R. Keep me safe, O God;  
you are my hope.**

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;  
it is you yourself who are my prize.  
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:  
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R.**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;  
even my body shall rest in safety.  
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,  
nor let your beloved know decay. **R.**

You will show me the path of life,  
the fullness of joy in your presence,  
at your right hand happiness for ever. **R**



*Preserve me O lord, or I have put my trust in Thee.*

## Makara Cemetery Visit

Month of the Holy Souls Parish Event on **Sunday 14 November at 10.30am**, all welcome— Parishioners, Family and Friends. Meeting at St Joseph's Church, 156 Brougham St, Mt Victoria Phone John Dalgety 027 338 3576 or Moyra Pearce 027 270 1790 for more info.

## St Joseph's Tuesday Mass has Resumed

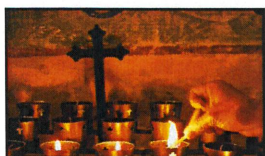
The 8.30am Mass held weekly on Tuesday has resumed.

## Mass has been offered for:

**Recently deceased:** Fr Barry O'Connor sm

**Anniversaries:** Joan Welch, Catherine O'Regan, Brendan Kirwan

**Prayers for the Sick:** Denis O'Neill, Patricia O'Rourke, Noreen Kirwan, Peter Aldridge, Geoff Sweet, Dianne Sweet, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Kerry Barber, Pam Finlayson, Francisca Sparnaay, Barbara and Vic Stairs, Shirley Mahony, Samara Jamed, Bill Carroll, Barbara Jones, Mary Buchanan, Bill McLaughlin, John Moore, Barbara Sullivan



*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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## Sunday Masses

We have been given the all clear to go ahead with Sunday Masses by using a registration system provided by the Archdiocese to keep numbers to 100 maximum. Please visit [www.wn.catholic.org.nz/mass-registrations/](http://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/mass-registrations/) and complete the form to register for the Mass of your choice. Registrations are open from 9am Wednesday to 12pm Friday. If your preferred Mass is full this system allows you to see other Masses with spaces available in the area. If you do not have access to the Archdiocese website or are having trouble you can call the Parish Office on 04 473 8074 to book.

## Joshua Wellington

Joshua Wellington invites you to join us under Covid Alert Level 2 protocols on Thursday 18 November starting 7.30pm sharp followed by supper. Held in the 'Loaves and Fishes' Hall next to Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth Street. Paul Martin SM, Bishop of Christchurch, and Coadjutor Archbishop of Wellington is will be speaking on "Standing up and stepping out of the boat" If you want to know more ring Steve Ready on 027 356 9555 or email [joshua.wgtn@gmail.com](mailto:joshua.wgtn@gmail.com)

## Friday Fish and Chips Night

WellCath is a social group for Catholic young adults in the greater Wellington region. For our next event, we will be having fish and chips on the beach on Friday, 19 November. Meeting at 5:30 pm at the bottom of the stairs to St Mary of the Angels and then walk to Oriental Bay. If the weather is bad we will organise an alternative indoor location. Any questions please call or text the team on 022 1707 585

## Final Young Church Mass 2021

On Sunday 21 November at 5pm, Home of Compassion, Rhine Street, Island Bay. All young people are welcome!

## Passionist Family Group

Mixed 4's PFG is having their November gathering in the courtyard at St Joseph's - a shared BBQ on Tuesday 23 November at 6pm. We will adjourn inside if the weather is inclement - so we'll be there rain hail or shine! Looking forward to seeing everyone. Mary-Ellen ([maryellenleen@icloud.com](mailto:maryellenleen@icloud.com))

## PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,  
and defend us from every evil.

Amen

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## Festive Season Roast Lunch

Mark the festive season with your whānau and friends in the hospitable setting of the Home of Compassion. You'll enjoy a roast lunch with vegetable sides, dessert and non-alcoholic bubbles. Meat options – 10 & 17 with glazed ham, 11 & 18 with roast chicken. Lunch will be served at 12:30pm in the Ryan room. Four dates are available 10, 11, 17 and 18 December. The cost is \$30.00 per person and seats are limited. Book your seats now! RSVP 3 Dec for 10 & 11; 10 Dec for 17 & 18. Phone: (04) 383 7769 or email: [islandbay@compassion.org.nz](mailto:islandbay@compassion.org.nz)

## Divine Mercy Prayer Meeting

Held by Zoom on Sundays at 3pm.  
Meeting ID: 799 6918 9260  
Passcode: hra2h3

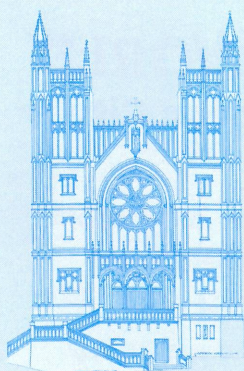
## Columban Calendars

Columban Calendars are available to purchase from the Parish Office for \$12.

## PARISH CENTRE APPEAL

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## ST MARY OF THE ANGELS PARISH CENTRE FUNDRAISING APPEAL

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

### Bank Account Details:

SMOA - Parish Centre Upgrade  
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### Seek—Explore and Discern

An invitation for young adults to explore their vocation and discern their role in the Church and in the world. The morning will be focused on discerning personal vocation. In the afternoon, there will be the opportunity to participate in the global Synod discernment process. Pope Francis wants to hear from the youth, so please join us and make your voice heard! Sunday 21 November, 10am to 5pm at Home of Compassion, Island Bay. The afternoon will conclude with a Young Church Mass at 5pm. BYO lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. To register please email [youth@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:youth@wn.catholic.org.nz)

### St Mary of the Angels Carpark

The carpark at St Mary of the Angels is now closed to Parishioners from Monday to Friday. The Church carpark will be available to Parishioners during the day on Saturdays and Sundays.

### Food for Faith

Fr John O'Connor from the National Liturgy Office has set up a website that includes daily reflections, prayer requests, podcasts and much more. Please visit [www.foodforfaith.org.nz](http://www.foodforfaith.org.nz)

### 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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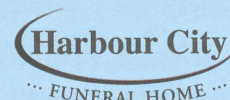
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