

The Angelus

St Mary of the Angels Parish

Including St Joseph's, Mount Victoria

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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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St Mary of the Angels Church

MASSES

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

Mon-Fri 7.30am, 12.05pm, 5.15pm

Saturday 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 9.30am

Tuesday 8.30am

BAPTISMS

St Mary of the Angels Church

Baptisms; 2pm on 2nd and 4th Sundays each month

St Joseph's Church

Baptisms; 2pm on 3rd Sunday of each month.

Please arrange through Parish Office.

10 April 2022, Palm Sunday

"The Light That Fractures Through Unquiet Waters"

There is much darkness in our world. Often the news we hear and read is bleak. Holy Week, which starts this Sunday and which we know as Palm Sunday, calls us to trust that there is always hope, even in the darkest of moments. This is the mystery of our Faith; this is the mystery of Christ

When I find myself in the dark and wondering where I can find light in my life I often turn and return to trusted friends to help me touch once more the mystery of God. One such friend is a famous twentieth century English poet called T.S.Eliot. And these are some of his enlightening words:

O Light Invisible, we praise thee! Too bright for mortal vision.

O Greater Light, we praise thee for the less;

The eastern light our spires touch at morning,

The light that slants upon our western doors at evening,

The twilight over stagnant pools at batflight,

Moon light and star light, owl and moth light,

Glow-worm glowlight on a grassblade.

O Light Invisible we worship Thee!

We thank thee for the lights that we have kindled,

The light of altar and of sanctuary;

Small lights of those who meditate at midnight

And lights directed through the coloured panes of windows

And light reflected from the polished stone,

The gilded carven wood, the coloured fresco.

Our gaze is submarine, our eyes look upward

And see the light that fractures through unquiet waters.

We see the light but see not whence it comes.

O Light Invisible, we glorify Thee!

from the Choruses from 'The Rock, X'

Trust in the 'Light Invisible'. Trust and worship this Holy Week.

Fr Kevin Mowbray sm

Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 50: 4-7
I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

Second Reading: Philippians 2: 6-11
He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

Gospel: Luke 22:14- 23:56
Let the person without sin be the first to throw a stone.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43

Psalm: 23

Second Reading: Colossians 3: 1-4

Gospel: John 20: 1-9



Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$2,317

Automatic Payments: \$6,298

Total: \$8,615

Covid Alert Level Red

While we are at Alert Level Red ALL Masses and Reconciliation times are running as per the normal timetable. Please register for Sunday Masses by visiting www.wn.catholic.org.nz/mass-registrations

Vaccine Passes are no longer required. Registrations are open from 9am Wednesday until 12pm Friday. If you are having trouble registering, please email the Parish Office. 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 21

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me.

They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him:
let him release him **R.**

Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.
They ear holes in my hands and my feet,
I can count every one of my bones. **R.**

They divide my clothing among them.
They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me! **R.**

I will tell of your name to my brethren
and praise you where they are assembled.
'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
all sons of Jacob, give him glory.
Revere him, Israel's sons.' **R.**

SMAYACs - Young Adults

Please join the St Mary of the Angels Young Adults Community (SMAYACs) for their monthly Eucharistic Adoration event every 2nd Tuesday of the month after the 5.15pm mass and youth mass every last Sunday of the month at 5pm. For the month of April, these will be on the 12th and 24th. If you are interested in serving for mass, please contact SMAYACs on 04 282 1746 or on their socials.

Thank You

A big thank you to Stephanie Butler who has spent a lot of time sewing Church linen. Much appreciated!

Mass has been offered for:

Recently deceased: Dave Hegglyn, Mikeshen Gounden, William (Bill) Allen

Anniversaries: Laurie Butler, Leo Connolly, Dorothy Cook, Katherine Butler, Sandra Southon, Nance Mills

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, John Moore, Ellis Meachen, Joe Haddow



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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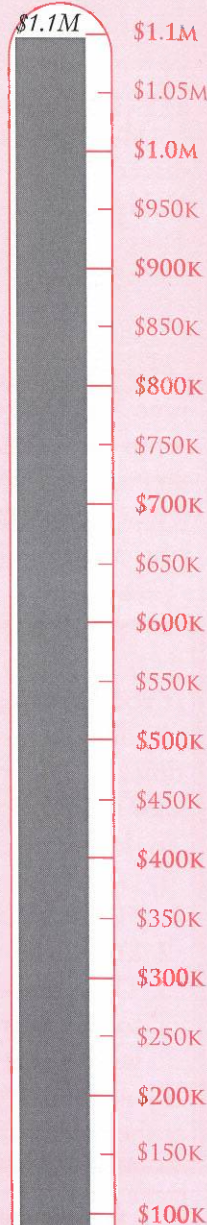
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PARISH CENTRE APPEAL



Faith Rosaries

We sell rosaries in the Parish Office designed and hand made by Ngaire Greger from Faith Rosaries. If you are looking for a rosary as a gift or for yourself, please contact the Parish Office to arrange a time to come in.

St Mary of the Angel's Parish Office has Moved But Remains Closed to Visitors

The St Mary of the Angels parish office has now moved back into the new Parish Centre. The office will remain closed to visitors while we are in the red light setting. If you need to speak to the office please phone 04 473 8074 or email office.manager@smoa.org.nz.

Easter Vigil

We will not be lighting candles at the Vigil on Holy Saturday this year. Instead, you are invited to bring a candle to the 7.30pm Mass where candles can be blessed after the Liturgy to use during prayer and reflection at home.

Men's Book Club

Held on Tuesday April 12 at 7.30 pm in the Bill Pearce Room, St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria. Book(s), Magazines, movies, websites etc. shared by members. Please John Dalgety 04 382 8788. Note the meeting will go ahead face to face under the following conditions Masking on arrival and keep a social distance of 1 meter (please contact John if you would prefer a zoom option).

Urban Café

Urban Café will be open over the Easter holidays from 8am until 3pm. Urban is located at 2 Manners Street, just over the road from the Church. Urban has a variety of beautiful food for breakfast and lunch—at a great price! Head on over to support our small local business.

Living in Colour

Affected by an abortion experience? Make *Living in Colour* - An 8 week course a step towards healing. Find out more Email: hopeandhealing4u@gmail.com or Call: 021 2317954

Planned Giving Envelopes

Planned giving envelopes for the new financial year are available for collection at the back of the Church.

St Mary's Parishioners: Please check that your planned giving envelope is the same number as last year.

St Joseph's Parishioners: As your previous envelope numbers were connected to Wellington South Parish, you have been allocated new envelope numbers.

Once the end of year receipts are prepared they will be available in the back of the churches for collection on Sunday's.

Biber Concerts

Free performances of Biber's Rosary Sonatas, 17th Century violin music celebrating the Mysteries of the Rosary during Holy Week at St Mary of the Angels.

- Wed 13 April 7-8pm

- Fri 15 April 7-8pm

- Sun 17 April 7-8.15pm

Played on Baroque instruments by Anne Loeser, violin; Jane Young, cello and Bethany Angus, harpsichord and organ. See Eventfinda for more details.

New Zealand Youth Choir

The New Zealand Youth Choir will be performing at St Mary of the Angels on 23 April at 7.30pm. Adults \$25, NZ Choral Federation and Senior concession \$20 Students with ID \$10, Child under 12 free Booking fees apply online at www.nzsschoir.com

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 \$10 and payment can go into the St Theresa donation box in the back of St Mary of the Angel's Church.

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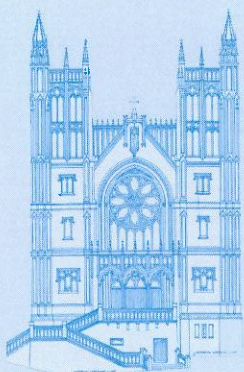
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Please provide your name and address (or Parish Planned Giving/Envelope number) as reference. All donations are tax deductible and a receipt will be issued.

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

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



Women's Voices – A Synodal Response

How are we as women called to participate in the mission of the Church? As Catholic women, what are our hopes and dreams for a truly inclusive Church?

At a recent conference, Synod Undersecretary Sr Nathalie Becquart said that Catholic women need to encourage and support one another for the realization of the inclusive Church they dream about - one that values everyone's gifts, promotes collaboration and listens to the Holy Spirit. **Register today** for an opportunity to participate in the synodal journey and share, listen and discern with other Catholic women in our Archdiocese.

Held on Wednesday 20 April at 7pm on Zoom **OR**

Thursday 21 April at 7pm at St Joseph's Mt Victoria

Contact Lucienne Hensel at l.hensel@wn.catholic.org.nz or 04 496 1715

St Catherine's College Open Day

St Catherine's College has scheduled our Open Day/Night for the 8th of June 2022. We are doing it a bit differently this year and we will have two times for families to choose from and they will need to book online for either session. We have 2 sessions: 2.00pm and 6.00pm. Please book online on www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/293ps. We look forward to meeting your Year 8 girls and hope that they will join us for 2023.

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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