

The Angelus

St Mary of the Angels Parish

Including St Joseph's, Mount Victoria

Church and Presbytery:

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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

24 April 2022, 2nd Sunday of Easter

50 Days of Easter

If you thought the 40 days of Lent was a long time, the church actually celebrates Easter for a longer period. Easter is celebrated for 50 days until Pentecost. Imagine a spiritual feast that lasts for 50 days. We are inspired as we enter into the life and experience of the early Christian community.

We begin the Easter journey with the special remembrance of God's Mercy (Divine Mercy Sunday) and we hear the first gift Jesus wants to be in the hearts of his followers is peace: "Peace be with you" (John 20:19). Sometimes we feel that Lent did not go as deeply as we had hoped. But Lent was really a spiritual preparation for Easter. Let's enter Easter as deeply as we can. As we begin the new 50 day journey we may like to consider how we can live some of the Easter themes of peace in our hearts (and not fear), courage to listen and follow Jesus (and not simply follow the world), give daily public witness of Jesus' love (and not reduce Jesus to 'church').

This Sunday we begin celebrating a monthly 'youth – young adult mass' at the 4th Sunday 5pm Mass. Each month we wish to provide a special place of welcome and faith celebration for our young people. Bring your families and have courage to invite youth and young adults to join their lives with God. To help our young people (and all of us) journey closer with God we share some reflection resources that can support your faith journey. Enjoy this special Easter Journey of the next 50 days. Let it be a new season of prayer and a radical adventure living a holy life boldly like the early Christian community.



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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.

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Acts 5: 12-16
The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily.

Second Reading: Revelations 1: 9-13, 17-19
I was dead and now I am to live forever and ever.

Gospel: John 20: 19-31
After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Acts 5:27-32, 40-41

Psalm: 29

Second Reading: Revelations 5: 11-14

Gospel: John 21: 1-19



Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$5,605

Automatic Payments: \$2,558

Total: \$8,163

Covid Alert Level Orange

While we are at Alert Level Orange ALL Masses and Reconciliation times are running as per the normal timetable. There is no need to register for Masses.

Vaccine Passes are no longer required.

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

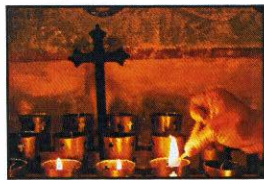
Faith Rosaries

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.

Mass has been offered for:

Anniversaries: Kaye Harrison, Rosalie Coyle, Malcolm McClure, John Blake, Joseph Churchward, Ches Tomaszuk, Jean Auld, Linton Eskrigge, John Keating, Jung Jieun, Ian Jones

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, Mari Stacey



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.

Responsorial Psalm 117

R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'
Let the sons of Aaron say:
'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.' R

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. R

O Lord, grant us salvation;
O Lord grant success.
Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light. R

Joshua Wellington

Joshua Wellington invites men to join us on Thursday 28 April 2022 starting at 7.30pm followed by a cuppa. Held in the 'Loaves and Fishes' Hall next to Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth Streets. Peter Ewart SM, Chaplain for Joshua Wellington will be speaking on the Joshua 2022 3-in-1 theme: "Fix your eyes on Jesus... Faith, Present Jesus to the World... Love, Seeing beyond the storm... Hope" If you want to know more please ring Steve Ready on 027 356 9555 or email joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

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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.

Volunteers Needed for Mary Potter Street Appeal

The Mary Potter Hospice are looking for volunteers to help with their annual street appeal. Please visit marypotter.org.nz/events/street-appeal-volunteers for more information and to apply.

Urban Café

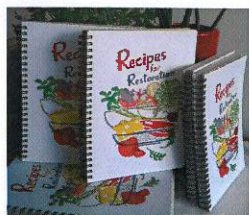
Urban Café will be open over the weekend from 8am until 3pm. Urban is located at 2 Manners Street, just over the road from the Church. Urban has a variety of beautiful food for breakfast and lunch—at a great price! Head on over to support our small local business.

Message from Public Health

We heard from Public Health during the week who have noticed Catholic Churches in Wellington have a significantly lower community transmission rate than other Churches in Wellington. This is due to the mask requirements that Cardinal John put in place early in the Omicron outbreak. Thank you to Cardinal John and Parishioners for their cooperation which has kept our community safe.

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.



Holy Hour

You are invited to come to a Holy Hour on Tuesday 26 April at the Connolly Hall Chapel beginning at 7.30 pm to pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. We will also be praying for peace in the world and especially for peace in Ukraine. Included in the hour will be prayers, scripture reading and silence, concluding with Benediction. All are welcome.

ANZAC Day Concert

The Zimbelstern Foundation is delighted to invite you to a concert being given by International Concert Organist Martin Setchell. Martin will present a magical programme showcasing the works which reflect the importance of ANZAC day. People whose politics, beliefs and aspirations are widely different can share a genuine sorrow at the loss of so many lives in war, and a real respect for those who have endured warfare on behalf of the country we live in. The programme includes works by Handel, Albinoni, Bach, Hollins and Martin Setchell. 'The Spirit of ANZAC is at St Mary of the Angels Church on Monday April 25th at 2.00 pm and entry is free.

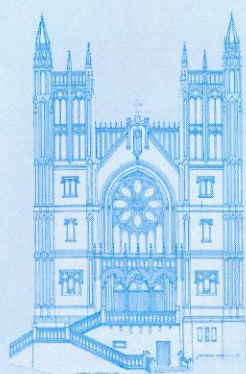
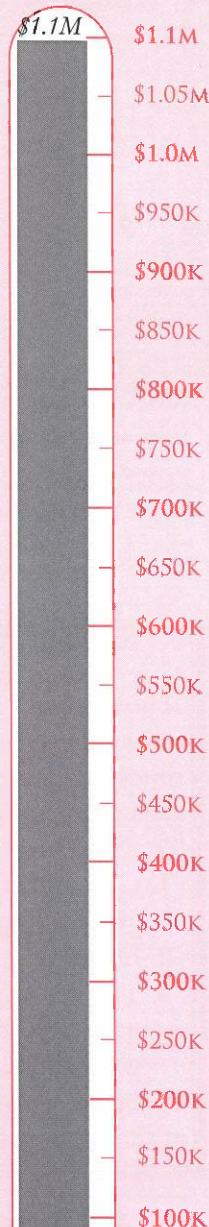
ANZAC Day Mass

The ANZAC Day Mass will be celebrated this year by Cardinal John and Archbishop Novatus, the Apostolic Nuncio, next Monday 25 April, 9am at St Mary of the Angels Church. We welcome also the Polish Community and will remember with them the Polish citizens who died in World War II, particularly the victims of the Katyn Massacre. **There will only be a 9am Mass held on Monday 25 April.**

Parish Social Justice Group Meeting

Parish Social Justice Group meeting will be held in the Bill Pearce Room, St Joseph's, Mt Victoria, from 6-7pm on Wednesday 4 May 2022. All welcome. Any enquiries contact Marie Kearney on Ph. 3849891 or 0212152746.

PARISH CENTRE APPEAL



ST MARY OF THE ANGELS PARISH CENTRE FUNDRAISING APPEAL

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Pā Maria Marist Spirituality Centre

Events coming up:

Spiritual Theology Course: "Death and After Death", 5 Tuesday evenings, beginning 3 May.

Winter Film Series: "Born in the Shadows: A Spirituality for Living in Today's World", 5 Monday evenings beginning 6 June OR 5 Thursday evenings beginning 9 June.

For further information and/or to register, please contact Brian Cummings SM at bgcummings@xtra.co.nz

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.

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