

# 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*

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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 on 3rd Sunday of each month.

Please arrange through Parish Office.

## **12 June 2022, The Most Holy Trinity**

### **The Celebration of the Holy Trinity**

Immediately after the journey of Easter the Church gives us three very important celebrations: Pentecost, Trinity, Corpus Christi (Body & Blood of Jesus). Just before we settle back into a normal daily routine of life and Sunday Liturgies, these three celebrations teach us deeply about our Christian identity and purpose in life. We can imagine it as like three special gifts for your daily life. Pentecost invites us to remember and experience the gift of the Holy Spirit into our hearts. Trinity Sunday invites us to remember and experience the call to communion; be involved in a loving and self-giving relationship with God. Corpus Christi invites us to remember and receive with joy the 'eucharist- good gift' of the body and blood of Jesus. Each celebration reminds us we are now living in 'holy and loving communion' – we have become one with God who is Holy and loving.

As we celebrate Trinity Sunday, I remember clearly a mother of 4 young girls some years ago sharing with. She simply reflected how much she loved her children. Every day she felt so much love for them. She said she would love to be able to take a part of her spirit and place this spirit-gift into their hearts to 'be with them', 'guide them', 'be a constant experience and bond of love in them'. I remember thinking this was a wonderful expression of the gift of the Holy Spirit planted in our hearts.

Jesus says in the gospel today 'I have so much more to share with you, but it will be too much for you now'. This sounds like an excited friend very much wanting to spend time together. Jesus continues.... But when the 'gift of the spirit comes' this presence will support and 'guide you to all truth'.

Possibly the most important truth is to realise 'who God is' and 'who we are' as loved by God. Today, Jesus reveals God and our relationship together: 'everything the Father has is mine', and 'the spirit will take from what is mine and declare it to you'. We glimpse the inner life of the Trinity; God who is revealed to us as Father, Son, Holy Spirit. Three 'self-giving' persons within one divine nature; a picture of a complete self-giving union of love. We can see this reflected in family life of Mother, Father, and Child. Three is an image of love always going out toward the 'other'. Our extraordinary calling is for our human family to become a holy family to reflect the 'holy trinity'.

As we continue these three great celebrations, you may like to google a very famous icon of the trinity (Rublev Trinity Icon). It is 'theology in color'. You will see an empty space for each of us at the table of the altar. God, who is Trinity, now invites us to physically join into the life of love with God in the 'holy communion' of the eucharist. Let's enjoy knowing, living, and sharing about this God of extraordinary love.

*Fr Frank Bird sm—Assistant Priest*



## This Week's Readings

**First Reading:** Proverbs 8:22-31

*Wisdom was born before the earth was made.*

**Second Reading:** Romans 5: 1-5

*To God through Christ in the love which is poured out through the Spirit.*

**Gospel:** John 16:12-15

*Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will receive what I give and tell you about it.*

## Next Week's Readings

**First Reading:** 1 Kings 19:16, 19-21

**Psalm:** 15

**Second Reading:** Galatians 5:1, 13-18

**Gospel:** Luke 9:51-62



## Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$2,929

Automatic Payments: \$5,492

**Total: \$8,422**

## Covid Alert Level Orange

**While we are at Alert Level Orange ALL Masses and Reconciliation times are running per the normal timetable.** Vaccine Passes are no longer required and masks are encouraged to be worn.

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

## Thought of the Week

"You cannot have a positive life and a negative mind"

## Mass has been offered for:

**Recently Deceased:** Roger Sheppard, Bob Gilmer, Frank O'Keefe

**Anniversaries:** Krystine Tomaszyk, Da Van Luyn, Fr Alex Taylor sm, Robert Taylor, Jack McGuire, Wilma Giles, George Swenson, Patrick Smyth, Trevor Hyde

**Prayers for the Sick:** Denis O'Neill, Patricia O'Rourke, Noreen Kirwan, Peter Aldridge, Geoff and Dianne Sweet, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Kerry Barber, Pam Finlayson, Francisca Sparnaay, Barbara and Vic Stairs, Shirley Mahony, Samara James, Bill Carroll, Barbara Jones, Mary Buchanan, John Moore, Joe Haddow, Joan Wolland, William Sia, Shirley O'Brien, Kay De Barnardo



*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 8

**R. O Lord our God,  
how wonderful your name in all the earth.**

When I see the heavens, the work of your hands,  
the moon and the stars which you arranged,  
what is man that you should keep him in mind,  
mortal man that you care for him? **R.**

Yet you have made him little less than a god;  
with glory and honour you crowned him,  
gave him power over the works of your hand,  
put all things under his feet. **R.**

All of them, sheep and cattle,  
yes, even the savage beasts,  
birds of the air, and fish  
that make their way through the waters. **R.**

Quam admi-ra-bi-le est nomen tu-um in u-ni-versa terra.

*How admirable is thy name in all the earth.*

## SMAYACs Adoration

Please join the St Mary of the Angels Young Adults Community (SMAYACs) for their monthly Eucharistic Adoration event every 2nd Tuesday of the month, Tuesday 14 June after the 5.15pm mass. For enquires, please contact SMAYACs on 04 282 1746 or on their socials.

## Projector Operators Needed

We are in need of volunteers to operate the laptop for the 7am and 11am Sunday Masses at St Mary of the Angels. Full training will be provided. If you are available please contact Abby in the Parish Office on 04 473 8074 or [office.manager@smoa.org.nz](mailto:office.manager@smoa.org.nz)

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## Day of Prayer for Refugees and Migrants

A Day of Prayer for Refugees and Migrants is set aside each year to fall as close as possible to World Refugee Day on 20 June. This year the Day of Prayer is set for Sunday 19 June. Pope Francis reminds us that we should be fostering relationships and welcoming all with open arms. We should no longer be thinking in terms of "us and them", but rather as "we", celebrating connections rather than concentrating on differences. We are one family.

## Matariki/ Mid-Winter Concert

You are warmly invited to our mid-winter concert held in the Bill Pearce Room at St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria on Saturday 18 June.

All welcome!

4.00pm Mulled Wine/soft drink esp. for younger folk

4.30pm Concert /Art Share for younger performers

5.30pm Potluck dinner

Post Dinner quiz & older performers

Phone John Dalgety on 027 338 3576 for more info

## St Joseph's Men's Book and Discussion

All Visitors Welcome. Held on **Tuesday June 14 at 7.30 pm** in the **Bill Pearce Room, St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria**. Book(s), Magazines, movies, websites etc. shared by members. For enquires phone John Dalgety on 04 3828788. Note the meeting will go ahead face to face under the following conditions

- Masking on arrival

- Keep a social distance of 1 meter

(please contact John if you would prefer a zoom option)

## Dehumidifier Needed

Due to the large rain pour we have had in the last week and a few leaks in the Church, we are enquiring as to whether someone has a dehumidifier they are able to donate to the Church. If you are able to help, please contact the Parish Office.



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## St Patrick's College Old Boys Association AGM

I would like to invite you to attend our Annual General Meeting which will be held online via zoom on Thursday 16th June 2022 at 7pm. If you would like to attend please email [secretary@spcob.org.nz](mailto:secretary@spcob.org.nz) with your name and when you attended either Town or Stream and we will send you an invite to the zoom meeting.

Brad Hudson - President SPCOBA

## Joshua Wellington

Extending an open invitation to whoever would like to come to a Mass followed by a light supper on Thursday 16 June at 7.30pm at 'Loaves and Fishes' next to Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth Streets. Fr Peter Ewart sm, Joshua chaplain will be celebrating. Want to know more? Ring Steve Ready 027 356 9555 or email [joshua.wgtn@gmail.com](mailto:joshua.wgtn@gmail.com)

## Prayers for RCIA Candidates

The Second Scrutiny for our candidates and catechumens on the RCIA program will take place on 12 June at the 9.30am St Joseph's Church Mass. Please continue to pray for our candidates as they continue on their spiritual journey towards being received into the Catholic community.

## SMOA 9am Mass Morning Tea

The morning tea following the 9am Mass at St Mary of the Angels Church can now resume and it will be held in our new Parish Centre Hall. Please join us in a cup of tea and a biscuit following the Mass.

## Marist Messenger

Marist Messengers are available to purchase for \$6 from the back of the Church. Details on subscriptions are available inside each book.

## PARISH CENTRE APPEAL

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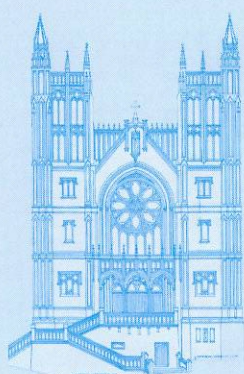
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## ST MARY OF THE ANGELS PARISH CENTRE FUNDRAISING APPEAL

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

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

### Change in Bank Account Suffix

The suffix has changed on the Parish Centre Fundraising account. Please deposit donations into:

**St Mary of the Angels Parish**  
02 0536 0003242 24

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## Catholic Faith Formation Programme for Adults

Please come to St Mary of the Angels' Parish Hall on Tuesday 21 June at 6 pm for the first session of Symbolon, a widely acclaimed Catholic Faith Formation Programme for adults. Each session involves watching a DVD on a certain topic and then having a group discussion based on the content presented in the DVD and finishing off with a shared supper. The topic of the first session is The Journey of Faith: Trinity, Faith & the God Who Is Love. All are welcome! The sessions are free but koha is strongly encouraged. Please RSVP to Abby, our Parish Manager at [office.manager@smoa.org.nz](mailto:office.manager@smoa.org.nz) for catering purposes.

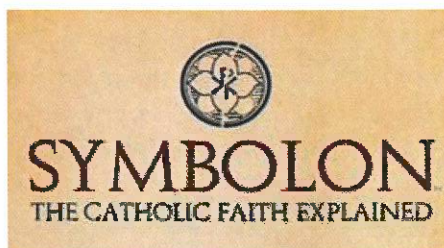
## Saints Peter and Paul's Church, Johnsonville 100 Year Celebration

**When:** Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2.00pm

**Where:** Sts Peter and Pauls Dr Taylor Tce Johnsonville

Mass with Cardinal John Dew presiding. Followed by afternoon tea in the church hall. We will have displays to bring back memories.

We hope you can make it and look forward to seeing you there.



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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.

## A LEGACY OF FAITH



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.

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**9 June 2022**

**NZ Catholic bishops in solidarity with Nigeria church massacre victims**

Catholics in Aotearoa New Zealand stand in solidarity and prayer with the parishioners of St Francis Xavier Church in Owo, Ondo state, Nigeria, following the monstrous atrocity committed at their Pentecost Sunday Mass.

Unidentified armed men attacked the church during Mass, killing as many as 50 parishioners and wounding many more. It was a shocking tragedy in what is the normally peaceful south-western part of Nigeria.

The Catholic Bishops of Aotearoa support the message sent by Pope Francis to Bishop Jude Ayodeji Arogundade and the faithful of Ondo Diocese, conveying the Pope's sorrow at the attack and assuring His Holiness's spiritual closeness for those affected by the "act of unspeakable violence."

We also note and affirm the comments by the National President of the Catholic Laity Council of Nigeria, Sir Henry Yunkwap, that ordinary Nigerians are tired of words from their political leaders and want action, including the urgent arrest and prosecution of the perpetrators of this evil act.

Nigeria has experienced growing lawlessness in recent years, much of it directed against its Christian communities, who are about 45 per cent of the population. Sunday's attack happened a week after the head of the Methodist Church in Nigeria was abducted and a ransom demanded for his release. Two Catholic priests were kidnapped a fortnight ago in the home state of Muhammadu Buhari, the President of Nigeria. Many New Zealanders will recall the horror of the kidnapping of Christian schoolgirls by a terrorist group. Churches have been attacked before, but not with the savagery seen on Sunday.

New Zealanders have a particular empathy with the victims of atrocities at religious places, because of our recent experience of the tragedies at the mosques in Christchurch in 2019.

We ask all New Zealand Catholics to pray for their sister and brother parishioners in Owo and to pray for peace in Nigeria. We stand too with Pope Francis in praying "for the conversion of those blinded by hatred and violence, so that they will choose instead the path of peace and righteousness."

✠ John Dew, Cardinal Archbishop of Wellington, Apostolic Administrator of Palmerston North and NZCBC President

✠ Michael Dooley, Bishop of Dunedin

✠ Michael Gielen, Bishop of Christchurch

✠ Stephen Lowe, Bishop of Auckland, Apostolic Administrator of Hamilton and NZCBC Secretary

✠ Paul Martin SM, Coadjutor Archbishop of Wellington.