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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 on 3rd Sunday of each month.

Please arrange through Parish Office.

17 July 2022, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prophets of a Future Not Our Own

Some encouraging words to reflect upon this week as we ponder the future of our Church, so weak so vulnerable yet the one sign of true hope we have.

It helps, now and then, to step back and take the long view.

The Kingdom of God is not only beyond our efforts, it is beyond our vision. We accomplish in a lifetime only a tiny fraction of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work.

No statement says all that could be said, no prayer fully expresses our faith.

No confession brings perfection.

No pastoral visit brings wholeness.

No programme accomplishes the church's mission.

No set of goals and objectives includes everything.

We plant seeds that one day will grow.

We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise.

We lay foundations that will need further development.

We provide yeast that produces effects beyond our capabilities.

We cannot do everything and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that.

This enables us to do something and do it very well.

It may be incomplete but it is a beginning, a step along the way,

An opportunity for God's grace to enter and do the rest.

We may never see the end results,

But that is the difference between the Master and the worker.

We are workers not master builders, ministers not messiahs.

We are prophets of a future not our own. Amen

Saint Oscar Romero, archbishop. Murdered 24th March, 1980.

Fr Kevin Mowbray

Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Genesis 18: 1-10

Lord, do not bypass your servant.

Second Reading: Colossians 1: 24-28

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Gospel: Luke 10 38-42

The mystery bidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Psalm: 137

Second Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Responsorial Psalm 14

R. The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?

He who walks without fault;

he who acts with justice

and speaks the truth from his heart;

he who does not slander with his tongue. **R.**

He who does no wrong to his brother,

who casts no slur on his neighbour,

who holds the godless in disdain,

but honours those who fear the Lord. **R.**

He who keeps his pledge, come what may;

who takes no interest on a loan

and accepts no bribes against the innocent.

Such a man will stand firm for ever. **R.**



Dómine, quis habitábit in taberná-cu-lo tu-o?

Lord who shall dwell in thy tabernacle?

Findings from Synodal Gatherings

The findings from the Synodal gatherings held in early June are now available. The document can be found at www.catholic.org.nz/assets/Wellington-Synthesis.pdf

Save the Date—SMOA Centenary

This year we will be celebrating the Centenary of the consecration and opening of the church of St Mary of the Angels which was previously postponed due to Covid. Please keep the weekend of Friday August 12 until Sunday 14 August free for a weekend of liturgy and music to honour 100 years in our Church.

Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$1,733

Automatic Payments: \$3,415

Total: \$5,148



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 for the Week

Change is hard at first, messy in the middle and gorgeous at the end.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Concepcion Drupals, Harry Lampen Smith, Margarita Maria Gonzalez-Roberro, Vic Stairs,

Anniversaries: Maria Streefland, Toni Brennan, Barbara Kriebel, Bill Prior

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 Stairs, Shirley Mahony, Samara Jamed, 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.

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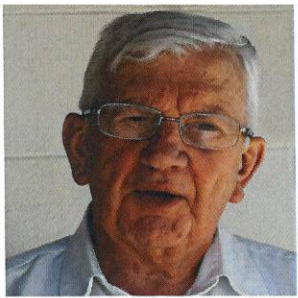
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**Fr Brian Wysocki
Ordination Anniversary**



The 9am Mass on Sunday 17 July will celebrate the 65th anniversary of the ordination to the priesthood of Fr Brian Wysocki sm. Morning tea will served in the new Parish Hall following the Mass.

Marist Messenger

A monthly magazine of Catholic Spirituality in the Marist Tradition. Available for purchase at the back of the church.

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Symbolon -

Faith Formation Programme for Adults

Come join us for our third Symbolon session in **Parish Hall on Tuesday 19th July at 6pm**. In this session, we will explore: The Bible: God's Love Letter to Humanity. You don't need to have gone to the other sessions to come - all are welcome.

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 sessions are free but koha is strongly encouraged. Please RSVP to Abby, our Parish Manager at office.manager@smoa.org.nz for catering purposes.

**St Joseph's Church
Social Housing Project**

There will be an information and question session following the Mass on Sunday 31 July to give an update on the St Joseph's properties. All are welcome.

Joshua Wellington

Joshua Wellington invites men to join us on Thursday 21 July starting 7:30pm sharp followed by a cuppa. Held in 'Loaves and Fishes' next to Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth Streets. Activity: "What can we learn from Joshua OT in Joshua 2022?" If you want to know more ring Steve Ready on 027-356-9555 email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

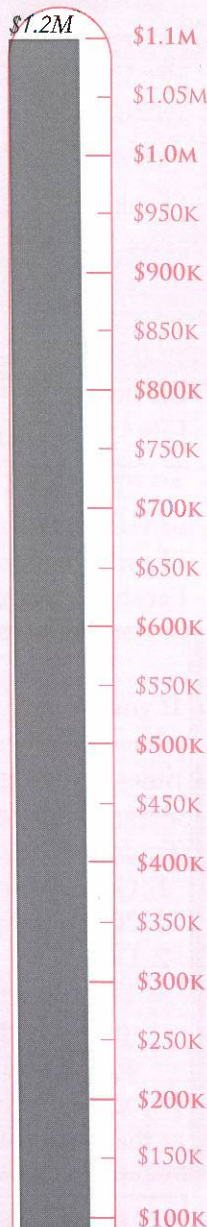
RCIA Program

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program will commence again in September for anyone who is interested in joining our Catholic Community. This program runs for around 7 months (September to April) and involves weekly group meetings to learn about and discuss our Catholic Faith. If anyone is interested in joining this program, or would like to support as a leader or sponsor in this program, please make contact with Fr Frank francisbird@gmail.com

**Hearts Aflame Catholic
Summer School:**

Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School is back this summer with ten days of world-class lectures, uplifting prayer and authentic community! Hearts Aflame is a life-changing experience for young adults aged 18 to 35 who want to know more about their faith and meet other Catholic young adults from all over New Zealand. Join us this year at Nga Tawa Diocesan School, Marton, from 30/12/22 until 8/01/23! You can register at www.heartsaflame.org.nz/registration or find out more at our website or on our social media.

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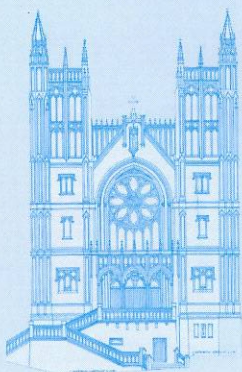
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Wellington Winter Lectures in Science and Christian Faith Presented by New Zealand Christians in Science (NZCIS)

The relationship of contemporary science and faith can be both intriguing and challenging – especially in an Age of Misinformation.

You are invited to an exciting day of lectures and discussion on topics related to Physics and Ethics. Held on Saturday August 6, 9am to 3pm at St Johns Presbyterian Church, Willis St, Wellington. Cost is just \$10 and that includes lunch!

Science and Faith in an Age of Misinformation

Speakers:

Prof. Jeff Tallon, 'Seeing the Invisible – black holes, the universe and our place in it', Dr. Greg Liston, 'Spirit, Time and Transformation', Dr. Gray Manicom, 'What the Mysteries of Mathematics Reveal About the Creator', Plus the NZCIS director Nicola Hoggard-Creegan will be there, speaking on the importance of ethical reflection, 'From Hiroshima to Recombinant DNA'.

To register, go to the [NZCIS website](http://www.nzcis.org.nz)

or visit *Eventbrite* and search "Science and Faith in an Age of Misinformation"

Facebook event <https://fb.me/e/3CgwX8RYH>

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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