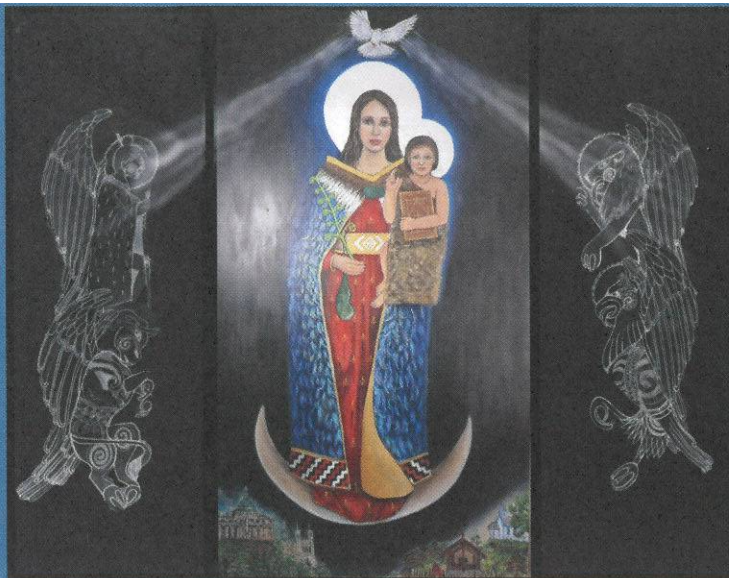


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Ko Hāua Maria, te Matua Wāhine o te Atua - Holy Mary, Mother of God

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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, 5.45pm - 6.30pm

### 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.

## 16 October 2022, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Downy nestlings calling for food with wide open beaks.....they are quickly fed! Jesus might have used this image to convey the value of unfailing prayer. He preferred, however, to use the story from human life, of the obstinate widow, whose persistence finally secured justice from an uncooperative judge.

We should not conclude from this gospel account that the way to pray to God is to be persistent: only the pagans imagine that they will be heard from their many words. On the other hand, equally, God is not a judge who would be careless about administering justice. He does wish though that we continue to put our needs before Him. The lack of good will in the judge in the parable should make us understand that God will unfailingly give satisfaction to those who ask. And equally, as against the slowness of that judge, He will not delay to do so.

The lessons of the parable are clear: the problem for us is that God seems to remain silent and inactive in spite of our petitions. By encouraging His followers to persevere in asking, Jesus suggests the relationships between faith and prayer. Certainly He nurtured no illusions on this score: when the Son of Man comes, will He find any faith on earth? All the same, faith has need of the breath of prayer if it is to flower in good works and remain alert and not grow weak and fade away. It is the same as our bodies need of food, the plants' need of water. It is because our faith is a living reality and cannot continue if it is not lived, that we "pray continually and never lose heart".

The widow's prayer indicates that prayer for what is just, for what is good, is also a prayer that God promptly responds to. Just and good, however, not from our point of view but from God's.

Being attentive and asking for a grace, a desire, helps us listen more deeply to God. Beginning our prayer by asking for a grace reminds us that prayer is not a high-powered negotiation session for a particular request but rather a rich conversation with God.

In the end God decides what to give. On our part we keep in touch and wait for his response. Praying always helps us to remain faithful and persevering. For whoever perseveres to the end will save their life.

*Sister Francis Gibbs  
Pastoral Worker*



### This Week's Readings

**First Reading:** Exodus 17:8-13  
*As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage.*

**Second Reading:** 2 Timothy 3:14—4:2  
*This is how the people of God become equipped and ready for every good work.*

**Gospel:** Luke 18:1-8  
*God will see those who cry to him vindicated.*

### Next Week's Readings

**First Reading:** Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19

**Psalm:** 33

**Second Reading:** 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

**Gospel:** Luke 18:9-14



### Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$2,974  
Automatic Payments: \$5,048  
**Total: \$8,022**

### Joshua Wellington

Meeting at 7.30pm on Thursday 20 October 2022 at 'Loaves and Fishes' next to Anglican Cathedral of St Paul. Laurence Benson will be giving his testimony "Discovering the Light of Christianity".

### Social Justice Group

#### (The October Meeting is Cancelled).

The next meeting of our group will be Wednesday 2nd November at 6pm at St Joseph's church. All welcome. Ph John Feeney 04 386 4956 for more details.

### Thought for the Week

When what you hear and what you see don't match, trust your eyes.

### Mass has been offered for:

**Recently Deceased:** Paul 'Budgie' Jacobsen, Lalelei Feleti Setefano

**Anniversaries:** Michael O'Loughlin, Ann Ross, John O'Rourke, Colin Hooper, Bryan Outtrim, Peter Bradley, Maria Doriguzzi, Hannah McGuigan, Kathleen Cosgrove

**Prayers for the Sick:** Henry Prendergast, Denis O'Neill, Noreen Kirwan, Geoff and Dianne Sweet, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Kerry Barber, Pam Finlayson, Francisca Sparnaay, Shirley Mahony, Samara Jamed, Bill Carroll, Barbara Jones, Mary Buchanan, Joe Haddow, Joan Wolland, William Sia, Kay De Barnardo, Bernadette Coup



*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 120

**R. Our help is from the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.**

I lift up my eyes to the mountains:  
from where shall come my help?

My help shall come from the Lord  
who made heaven and earth. **R.**

May he never allow you to stumble!  
Let him sleep not, your guard.

No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,  
Israel's guard. **R.**

The Lord is your guard and your shade;  
at your right side he stands.

By day the sun shall not smite you  
nor the moon in the night. **R.**

The Lord will guard you from evil,  
he will guard your soul.

The Lord will guard your going and coming  
both now and for ever. **R.**



Auxi-li- um me- um a Domi-no, qui fe-citcaelum et terram.

*My help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.*

### Electronic Waste Collection

On Saturday 29 October (Rain postponement Saturday 5 November) at St Mary's College (Netball Courts) from 9am – 2pm. No whiteware or car batteries. Cost per item from \$2 - 10. Cash only. Please see Church noticeboard for pricing.

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## New Parishioners

If you are new to the parish, not yet enrolled as a parishioner, or would like to start giving regularly to the parish through our planned giving program, please fill out one of our new parishioner forms available on our website—[www.smoa.org.nz/about/#new](http://www.smoa.org.nz/about/#new).

## Joshua Wellington One Day Retreat

Joshua Wellington Men's One-Day Retreat at Home of Compassion, Island Bay on Saturday 29 October 8.30am to 5pm. The theme is on 'Peace, hope and healing through Jesus for our brokenness'. Brendan Malone, Director of LifeNET NZ is retreat leader. If you want to know more ring Steve Ready 027-356-9555 email: [joshua.wgtn@gmail.com](mailto:joshua.wgtn@gmail.com)

## Tuākana Gap Year Programme 2023

Applications for the Archdiocese's Tuākana Programme 2023 are now open! If you know any amazing young Catholics within your Parishes or communities who are looking for a new opportunity, please encourage them to apply! To apply and for a copy of the job description, visit: [www.wn.catholic.org.nz/tuakana-application-form/](http://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/tuakana-application-form/). Contact Louise at [youth@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:youth@wn.catholic.org.nz) for more information.

## Anniversary of St Joseph's Church

We join with the community of St Joseph's in celebrating and giving thanks for the 18th Anniversary of the opening of the new Church on 17 October 2022

## Labour Day

On Labour Day, Monday 24 October there will be just one Mass held at 9am in St Mary of the Angels Church.

## Children's Sacramental Programme

Children from St Mary of the Angels including St Joseph's are invited to join the Sacramental Programme to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Communion. Children can enrol if they are already baptised and are currently in Year 3 or above. The first parents' meeting is at 7pm on Tuesday, 18 October 2022 at St Thomas More Church, Wilton. You can enrol your children by emailing [office.manager@smoa.org.nz](mailto:office.manager@smoa.org.nz) for the registration form that you will submit along with their baptismal certificate before the programme starts.

## Mission Sunday

23 October 2022 is Mission Sunday. Every baptised person is a missionary. Mission Sunday is a day to celebrate our being missionaries during the Mass. It is also the time to share our financial gift to help the work of the Church in many mission territories all over the world. Give from your heart. Your gift is your legacy to missions. Donate online: <https://missio.nz/donate>

## 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.

## Healing Service

There will be a Healing Service conducted by Fr John Rea in St Teresa's Church on Thursday 27 October beginning at 7.30 pm. Included in the service will be a few praise and worship hymns, a couple of Scripture readings, a few testimonies of healing, a talk by Fr John Rea and an opportunity to receive prayer with Fr John and/or a prayer team. Come with expectant faith. Bring with you someone you know who needs healing. Jesus still heals today.

## Projector Operators Needed

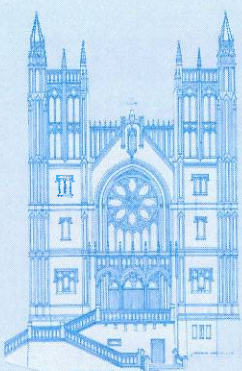
We are in need of volunteers to operate the laptop 5pm Sunday Mass at St Mary of the Angels. Full training will be provided. If you are available please contact Abby in the Parish Office on 04 473 8074 or [office.manager@smoa.org.nz](mailto:office.manager@smoa.org.nz)

## Accommodation Needed

Our lovely family of 3 young adult siblings (aged 16, 18, and 23) are looking for a 2 or 3 bedroom flat to rent. They are all at school or studying English. Originally from Ethiopia. Excellent reference from Fr Kevin. Please call John Kennedy-Good 027 246 0885 or Amanda Calder 027 443 2391 (Refugee Family Reunification Trust).

## Sacrament of Confirmation Parent Session

The first parent session will be held at 7pm on Tuesday 18 October in St Thomas More Church, 36 Worcester Street, Wilton, Wellington 6012.



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## SMAYAC's Hiking Trip

We are running hiking trip from 11-13 November! Limited to 20 people maximum, first in, first served. Please email [smayacs@gmail.com](mailto:smayacs@gmail.com) to find out more information and to register!! Get your hiking boots on and see you there. Visit our Facebook page—[www.facebook.com/smayacs1](http://www.facebook.com/smayacs1)

## Symbolon - Faith Formation Programme for Adults

Join us for our eighth Symbolon session at 6pm in the St Mary of the Angel's Parish Hall on Tuesday 18th October at 6pm. In this session, we will explore: Why Do I Need the Church? The Mystery of the Catholic Church. 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](mailto:office.manager@smoa.org.nz) for catering purposes.

## 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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