The Angelus

St Mary of the Angels Parish The National Shrine of New Zealand Mary, Mother of God, Assumed into Heaven

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St Mary of the Angels Church MASSES

Sunday Mon-Fri 7am, 9am, 11am, 5pm 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

8.30am Tuesday

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.

30 October 2022, 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zacchaeus

As Jesus nears the end of his journey to Jerusalem he passes through a town where there is a tax collector, a senior and feared member of the local society who clambers up a sycamore tree, like a schoolboy, to see Jesus. This simply should not be done. Zacchaeus makes a public show of himself in order to see Jesus and, in his own way, he humbles himself before the Lord. Although the story is very different, Zacchaeus is very like the tax collector we met in Jesus' parable on the pharisee and the publican. Both have humbled themselves before the Lord.

From this situation of ridicule, the sinner is plucked into life, with humour and gentleness. But this causes further consternation. If the crowds laughed at the tax collector in the tree, now they are angry at the thought of the tax collector as Jesus' host. The "righteous ones" who could only condemn the sinful performance of Zacchaeus, would have ridiculed the man in the tree. For them, there could be no place for forgiveness. In this way, they repeat the mistake of the pharisee of the earlier parable.

Zacchaeus resolves to set right those whom he had wronged with extraordinary superabundance: "If I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount." Earlier in the Gospel Jesus tells the parable of the father who seeks out his lost son. Now he shows that he is not only the teller of such parables but he also lives them. Jesus seeks out the lost one. An encounter between a sinner and Jesus has led to conversion and salvation. There is an intimate link between

salvation and God's search for that which is lost. Jesus himself is the parable of the father who seeks out the lost one, bringing salvation.

This message challenges each one of us in our understanding of God and His Church. Can we not learn that those who follow Jesus into the Christian church are only there because the Son of Man came to save what was lost? Do we Christians sometimes create the impression that we are a chosen people and a royal priesthood because of God's good taste in choosing us?

Fr Joe Savesi—Assistant Priest

Quiz Night

Come and join our young adults group from St Mary of the Angels Parish for an evening of quiz, fun and fellowship. Help us raise some much needed funds to make our meeting space more inviting with soft furnishings and furniture.

Tickets will be available after every mass today for \$20, refreshments are included! Tickets will then be available during the week from the Parish Office. Please phone 04 473 8074 to check ticket availability.

This Week's Readings

First Reading:

Wisdom

11:22-12:2

You have mercy on all things because you love everything that exists.

Second Reading:

2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

The name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him

Gospel:

Luke

19:1-10

The Son of Man came to seek and to find that which was lost.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading:

2 Maccabees

7:1-2, 9-14

Psalm:

16

Second Reading:

2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5

Gospel: Luke

20:27-38



Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection:

\$1,997

Automatic Payments:

\$5,553

Total: \$7,550

Social Justice Group

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.

Columban Calendars

Columban Calendars are available to purchase from the Parish Office during the week or at Sunday Masses for \$12.

Thought for the Week

The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention.

Responsorial Psalm 144

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless you name for ever I will bless you day after day

and praise your name for ever. R.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

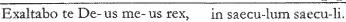
All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign

and declare your might, O God. R.

The Lord is faithful in all his words

and loving in all his deeds.

The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down. R.



I will extol thee, O God, my King, for ever and ever.

Guardians Needed

Each day our church is looked after by Guardians who take it in turn to spend an hour in the church ensuring that the many visitors feel welcome and that they respect our sacred place. If you would like to consider being a part of this important service to the parish community please contact the parish office.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Paul 'Budgie' Jacobsen, Lalelei Feleti Setefano, Judith Mendoza

Anniversaries:

David Eller, Stephen Reidy

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, Edwin Ligeralde

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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Urban Café—Help Needed!

Jrban Café is hiring! They are in need of front of house taff, all rounders and chef/kitchen hands. Full and part ime positions available. Please contact Angela on 04 801 3380, email m.akelly@hotmail.com or pop into the café ocated at 2 Manners Street, just over the road from St Mary of the Angels Church.

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.

Solemn Vespers for Feast of All Saints

We will be celebrating Feast of All Saints with a beautiful service of Solemn Vespers, with the Choir of St Mary's directed by William McElwee with David Trott on the Organ. Held on Tuesday November 1 at 7.30pm in St Mart of the Angels Church.

Invitation to Join 9am Singing Group

Singers! You are invited to join the Singing Group at 9am Mass at St Mary's. We lead the hymns and sing the psalm. Please contact Director of Music William for more details

Refugees and Migrants Presentation

Held at 7 pm on Tuesday 8 November at St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria. Come and hear a talk by Fr Frank Bird about his work among Burmese Migrants—Refugees on the Thailand Burma Border at the Marist Mission in Ranong. Jules Hickey who has been the New Zealand representative on the Council of the International Catholic Migration Commission (ICMC) will talk about the global context for refugees and migrants, current issues, and what it means for us in New Zealand. (SMOA Social Justice Group)

World Youth Day Mass 2022

Come together with the Youth of Wellington to celebrate all that's happening in the Young Church! Join us for Young Church Mass and an evening of fellowship and celebration for World Youth Day 2022. Held on Sunday 20 November 2022 at 5pm at St Mary of the Angels.

Sacrament of Confirmation

The second children session is being held at 8.40am, Sunday, 6 November, St Joseph's Church, Mount Victoria.

Home of Compassion Open Day

Held next Saturday, November 5 between 10 am and 2 pm. Explore displays featuring over 100 years of stories about plants and gardens, weaved through the history of Meri Höhepa Suzanne Aubert and the Sisters of Compassion. Discover the tranquil gardens and grounds with a self-guided trail for children and craft activities.

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.

Seek—Explore and Discern

An invitation for young adults to explore their vocation and discern their role in the Church and in the world. Held on Sunday 20 November, 1pm to 5pm at St Mary of the Angels. The afternoon will conclude with the World Youth Day Mass at 5pm. To register please email youth@wn.catholic.org.nz

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

Symbolon Faith Formation Programme for Adults

Join us for the last session of Symbolon for 2022. Held on Tuesday 8 November from 6pm. Topic: **The last things. What happens after we die?** Followed by a shared simple rice dinner and a cuppa. You don't need to have gone to the other sessions to come - all are welcome.

XLT November

Inviting TEENS and YOUNG ADULTS to come and experience the real presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Together we worship Him through music, receive true freedom through the Sacrament of Reconciliation and feel the love through the gift of each other. On Friday 18 November, 7 – 9:30pm at St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria



Marist Messenger

A monthly magazine of Catholic Spirituality in the Marist Tradition. Available for purchase at the back of the church. Subscription: \$60 a year 11 monthly issues posted to your letterbox. Catholic Spirituality, Daily Scripture Reflections Visit www.maristmessenger.co.nz, email



secretary@maristmessenger.co.nz or phone 04 499 6546.

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 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

Wellington Heritage Week at Futuna Chapel

Trust Chair, co-editor with Gregory O'Brien of the 2016 book "Futuna – Life of a Building" and our Parish Centre Architect, Nick Bevin, will conduct a detailed and personal tour of Futuna Chapel telling the story of Futuna. This story starts in France in 1816 and has been added to significantly over the intervening 206 years. Come and experience the Life of Futuna. Held on Sunday 30 October at 11:30am and Saturday 5 November at 11:30am. Tour is 30 minutes and koha is appreciated. Futuna Chapel, 67 Futuna Close, Karori, Wellington. Please visit www.futunatrust.org.nz for more heritage week events held at Futuna Chapel.

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:

- 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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