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St Joseph's Church
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Ko Hāua Maria, te Matua Wāhine o te Atua - Holy Mary, Mother of God

5 February 2023, 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Treaty of Waitangi

Tomorrow is the 6th of February, the day on which our nation joins together, in different ways in different places, to celebrate our founding document. Here, in the Archdiocese of Wellington, Catholics are invited to celebrate mass at St Mary of the Angels at 9.00am on Monday, February 6, with the community from Te Ngakau Tapu parish, the parish personal to Maori in the Archdiocese, to give thanks for the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi.

In 1835 Britain had accepted the Maori chief's request to recognize their independence. It was already acknowledged internationally that New Zealand was an independent country. Britain also agreed to the chief's request to extend Crown protection to New Zealand. By 1837, as disagreements, fighting and crime increased between Maori and settlers, the British Government decided it was imperative to secure Maori acceptance and co-operation in establishing New Zealand as a British colony in order to control the thousands of expected emigrants and to protect the rights of the Maori people. Lieutenant Governor Hobson was tasked with ensuring that such an agreement was reached.

Hobson arrived in New Zealand on 29 January, 1840. A meeting of chiefs was organized for a week later. Over 400 Maori attended this meeting but, after vigorous debate and disagreement on several points of the proposed Treaty, the meeting ended indecisively. The Maori then sought the advice of Henry Williams who told them that it would be in their best interests to sign the Treaty. On Williams' advice the chiefs decided to sign the Treaty, which had been amended with the insertion of a clause that guaranteed the Maori possession of their lands, forests, fisheries and other prized possessions.

The next day, February 6, over 40 chiefs signed or marked the Treaty of Waitangi. Over the next seven months the Treaty was carried around the country until more than 500 chiefs signed the Maori version of the Treaty.

What the Treaty establishes is that our modern independent state was not based on colonial conquest or the illegitimate invasion of settlers. New Zealand is founded on an agreement which continues today as a pact of partnership between Maori and Pakeha. It is an agreement which established our continuing links with the Crown; an agreement which continues to act as a national symbol of unity and understanding between cultures.

This is what we will be celebrating in the mass tomorrow morning here at St Mary of the Angels. We give thanks for the Treaty, though imperfectly implemented, because it is the guarantee for all New Zealanders, no matter who they are or where they come from, that we all belong here, we all have a place here.

"The principles of the Treaty are not diminished by time, rather it takes time to perfect them."

Chief Judge Eddie Durie

- Fr Kevin Mowbray sm—Parish Priest

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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

Mass of Anointing- 4th Saturday of the month

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.

This Week's Readings

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| First Reading | Isaiah | 58:7-10 |
| <i>Your light will shine like the dawn.</i> | | |
| Second Reading | Hebrews | 2:14-18 |
| <i>I came to you to proclaim Christ crucified.</i> | | |
| Gospel Reading | Luke | 2:22-40 |
| <i>My eyes have seen your saving power.</i> | | |

Next Week's Readings

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| First Reading | Sirach | 15:15-20 |
| Psalm | 118 | |
| Second Reading | 1 Corinthians | 2:6-10 |
| Gospel Reading | Matthew | 5:17-37 |



Last Sunday's Collection

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| Sunday Collection: | \$2,304 |
| Automatic Payments: | \$3,741 |
| Total: | \$6,045 |

Responsorial Psalm 111

R. A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

He is light in the darkness for the upright:
he is generous, merciful and just.
The good man takes pity and lends,
he conducts his affairs with honour. R

The just man will never waver:
he will be remembered for ever.
He has no fear of evil news;
with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord. R

With a steadfast heart he will not fear;
open-handed, he gives to the poor;
his justice stands firm for ever.
His head will be raised in glory. R



Exórtum est in ténebris lí-men réc-tis:

To the righteous a light is risen up in darkness:

Valentine's Day Mass

Held on Tuesday 14 February 2023 at St Joseph's Church, Mount Victoria (152 Brougham St, Mt Victoria). Mass celebrated by Cardinal John Dew from 6.30pm, followed by refreshments.

Joshua Wellington

Joshua Wellington extends an open invitation to both men and women to come to a Mass followed by a light supper on Thursday 16 February 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 Celebrant.

For more info contact David Monastra 027-4477-280 or email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

Thought for the Week

Beware what you wish for, unless you have the grace to hope that your luck can be shared.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Monsignor John Carde, Kevin Jones, Mary Buchanan

Anniversaries: Barbara Fabish, Adolf Eibl, Graham Townsely, Patricia Lockhart QSM, Olive Drane, Richard Wright, Brendan O'Connor, Monica O'Grady

Prayers for the Sick: Henry Prendergast, Noreen Kirwan, Dianne Sweet, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Kerry Barber, Pam Finlayson, Francisca Sparnaay, Shirley Mahony, Samara Jamed, Bill Carroll, Kay De Barnardo, Saturino and Magdalena Vioria, Adrienne Avery, Jim Meachen

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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Wednesday 15 February Evening Mass

The 5.15pm Mass on Wednesday 15 February will be held at 5.30pm for the Teachers Mass

Auckland Flood Relief Appeal

Bishop Steve Lowe's Caring Foundation is accepting donations to help partner agencies deliver vital help to so many. You can make an **online donation** today so that assistance can get to families quickly.

<https://caringfoundation.org.nz/donate-3/>

Your donation will be used for food, shelter, clothes and other essential supplies and support services.

Taize Prayer

Sung and chanted prayers, meditation, periods of silence, liturgical readings, icons. Taize Prayer held at St Joseph's Church on 12 February, 12 March and 2 April from 7pm-8pm. Contact John Dalgety on 0273393576 for more info.

Greenstone Aunties Needed

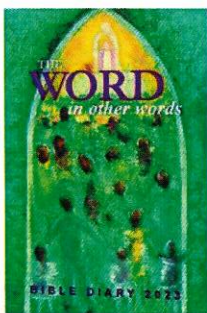
Greenstone Doors is urgently looking for volunteers to become part of a rostered team to help at a residence in Mt Victoria where two mothers will require support. The volunteer will need to have experience with the care of newborn babies. The role is to help parents build skills and confidence as first time mothers in a supportive environment. Hours are 9am-5pm and/or overnight. Commitment to at least one day or night a fortnight. For more information contact Wendy 0272549222 or email manager@greenstonedoors.co.nz

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Caritas Lenten Reflection Group

We are holding a Lenten reflection group during the Mondays in Lent following the Caritas material. The theme this year is "I am the light of the world". The group will be held at St Joseph's Church MT Victoria start at 7pm on Monday 20 February. (Monday prior to Ash Wednesday). If you can help with setting up a group at SMOA. Please contact John Feeney Social Justice Group ph 3864956.

Ash Wednesday with St Johns Presbyterian

On Ash Wednesday, 22 February, at 5.15pm we will celebrate the Liturgy with our friends from St Johns Presbyterian Church. This celebration will take the place of the 5.15pm Mass. All are invited to participate.

Waitangi Day Mass

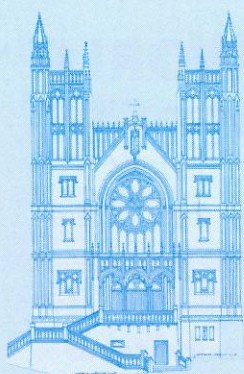
Nau mai, haere mai! The customary Waitangi Day Mass to pray for this land and all who dwell here under the guardianship of the Treaty will be celebrated on Monday, 6th February, 9am at St Mary of the Angels, Boulcott St, Wellington. This Mass combines the choirs of St Mary of the Angels and Te Ngākau Tapu parish for Māori in Porirua. Prayers will be primarily be in Māori, English and Latin along with various other languages. Celebrant: Cardinal John Dew. Please bring a plate of food to share for morning tea. Enquiries to office.manager@smoa.org.nz; (04) 473 8074. All welcome.

Liturgy Workshop based on Desiderio Desideravi

The National Liturgy Office are running a workshop based on Pope Francis' recent Apostolic Letter *Desiderio Desideravi*. Venue Ss Peter & Paul Church, Lower Hutt. Sat. 25 February 2023. 10.00am – 3.00pm. Attendees: Anyone involved in liturgies or interested in learning about key liturgy components. For more info and to register please contact Christine on 496-1706 or email c.walkerline@wn.catholic.org.nz

St Josephs Tuesday 14 February Morning Mass Cancelled

The Morning Mass at St Joseph's on Tuesday 14 February has been cancelled as the Valentines Day Mass is being held in the evening at 6.30pm



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Guardians Needed for Four Time Slots

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 on office.manager@smoa.org.nz or 04 473 8074.

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.

Pilgrimage to World Youth Day

The Council for Young people is inviting young Catholics (and all other young people) to join a pilgrimage to World Youth Day in Lisbon next year. The Council has published a draft itinerary for Kiwis wanting to attend the Lisbon event. It's a very full itinerary of 24 days leaving Auckland on 15 July for Paris, then on pilgrimage to such places as Lyon and Lourdes, and Fatima for six days, before reaching Lisbon on 31 July. Lisbon will host many official events from 1 August to World Youth Day itself on Sunday 6 August 2023, which climaxes with a Mass that Pope Francis is expected to celebrate in person. Read more and download the itinerary here: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/wyd-lisbon2023-itinerary/>

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.

If you need any help setting this up, please do not hesitate to contact Abby at the parish office.



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