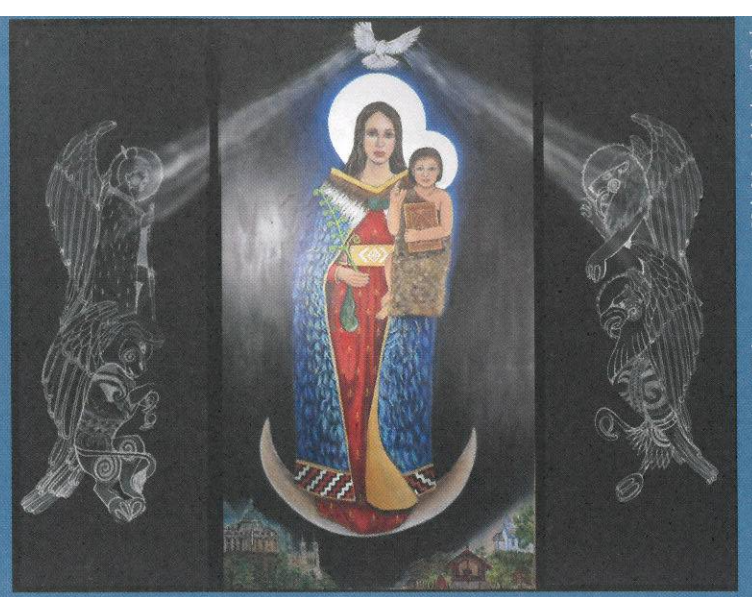


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Ko Hāta Maria, te Matua Wāhine o te Ariā - Holy Mary, Mother of God

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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

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.

## 18 June 2023, 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### To be Missionaries of Jesus

The foundation of the Christian mission has been laid in the missionary activity of Jesus himself. Now he associates the followers he has chosen to join his mission. Seeing the plight of the people, like sheep without a shepherd, he asks his disciples to pray for workers in the harvest. However, they are not only to pray for workers in the harvest, they are commissioned to be workers in the harvest. Notice how carefully their commission repeats what has already been said of Jesus. He had cast out demons and cured all kinds of diseases and sickness. Now they are given authority to do the same. They are to repeat what Jesus had done; they are to spread the missionary activity of Jesus.

The list of names has its importance. Simon, first in the list, is given a further name: "Peter". The expression "peter" in Greek or Aramaic was never used as a person's name. It was a word meaning "rock." Reading this we may wonder what this word now used as a person's name might mean, but that story will be told later in the Gospel (16:18-20). The last name, Judas, is further qualified: "the one who was to betray him" (10:4). The list begins with a figure who will eventually be the rock upon which the Church is built, and ends with another figure who will betray Jesus. Both, however, are disciples and missionaries of Jesus.

For the moment fragile disciples are sent out to bring the message of the Kingdom of God only to the lost sheep of Israel. Later the commission will become universal. In the overall structure of Matthew's story of Jesus, this present limitation links them more closely to Jesus' mission. During his ministry, he too goes only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. After the paschal mystery, the message will be preached to all the nations. Disciples are to repeat the mission of Jesus, but only because they depend entirely upon him. They are his disciples; they are not masters. They were called by him, they received without charge; now they are to give what they have received and learnt from him without charge.

The mission of Jesus continues. We are called to repeat what Jesus did, to bring peace and healing to all who are sick, and all who are troubled. The Kingdom of God is at hand. However, in our fragility, we must recognise that we are capable of being both Peter the Rock and Judas the betrayer. We are no better than the next person. What we are given and learn from our Christian lives and experience is a gift. It is not a gift, however, to be jealously guarded within the exclusive club of the Christian Church. It has been given to us without charge. We must give without charge.

Fr Joe Savei sm—Assistant Priest



## This Week's Readings

**First Reading** Exodus 19:2-6

*You will be a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation.*

**Second Reading** Romans 5: 6-11

*We have been reconciled to God through the death of his Son; we are saved by his life.*

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 9: 36-10: 8

*He summoned his twelve disciples, and sent them out.*

## Next Week's Readings

**First Reading** Jeremiah 20:10-13

**Psalm** 68

**Second Reading** Romans 5:12-15

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 10:26-33



### Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$3,190

Automatic Payments: \$3,039

**Total: \$6,229**

### Helping Those Affected by the Newtown Fire

St Vincent de Paul is accepting financial donations if you want to help the victims of the fire donate at [www.vinnies-wellington.org.nz/donate](http://www.vinnies-wellington.org.nz/donate); add a comment "Loafers Lodge Fire"; or you can donate to the City Mission Fire Appeal at [wellingtoncitymission.org.nz/donate-now/](http://wellingtoncitymission.org.nz/donate-now/)

### Thought for the Week

Freedom consists not in doing what we like, but in having the right to do what we ought.

### Mass has been offered for:

**Anniversaries:** Patrick Smyth, Trevor Hyde, Althea Walters, Patricia McEneaney, Colleen Kennedy, Michael Molloy, Christina Sheppard, Gino Di Leva

**Prayers for the Sick:** Noreen Kirwan, Dianne Sweet, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Kerry Barber, Pam Finlayson, Francisca Sparnaay, Shirley & Pat Mahony, Samara Jamed, Bill Carroll, Kay De Barnardo, Saturino and Magdalena Viloría, Jim Meachen, Tony Mackle, Margaret Schultz



*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 99

**R. We are his people: the sheep of his flock.**

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Serve with the Lord with gladness.

Come before him, singing for joy. **R**

Know that he, the Lord, is God.

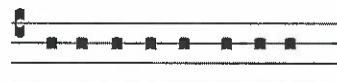
He made us, we belong to him,

we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R**

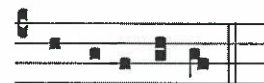
Indeed, how good is the Lord,

eternal his merciful love.

He is faithful from age to age. **R**



POPU-lus e-ius. et oves



nasci-tur e-ius.

*We are his people and the sheep of his pasture*

### Movie Fundraiser

St Mary of the Angels & St Joseph's invites you to a screening of Indiana Jones - Dial of Destiny. Screening at Light House Cuba, 29 Wigan Street on Monday 3 July at 6pm, arrive by 5.30pm. Tickets are \$20 and on sale at all Masses from this Sunday 18 June.

We are fundraising for the Promotion of the National Shrine and

Contribution towards the installation of Ko Hata, te Matua Wahine o te Atua, Holy Mary, Mother of God artwork.



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## Women's Friendship Project

Are you a locally-connected Wellington woman who would like to get to know and be a friend with a woman from a former refugee background? Catholic Social Services and Changemakers Refugee Forum are growing the Womens' Friendship Project with a next induction night on **Tuesday 27 June 2023**. Pairs of women will then be introduced to each other and meet up once a week or fortnight for the next 6 months to share local experiences such as walks, gardening, and café and market visits. Every two months you are invited to attend a larger group gathering of everyone involved in the project. Often a natural friendship continues beyond the project. If you are interested, please contact Deirdre at [d.meskill@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:d.meskill@wn.catholic.org.nz) or call 021 2213944.

## Congratulations and Thank You

A big congratulations to all the children who celebrated their First Communion last Sunday at St Joseph's. Also a huge thank you to Bede Clarke and Anna Kozyniak who have prepared the Children and parents and all the background work you have put in over the last year.

## Symbolon

Join us as we watch and discuss the Symbolon series, which explains the "big picture" of the Catholic faith. The next session is 20 June at 6pm in St Mary of the Angels Hall and the topic is "A Love that Lasts: God's Plan for Sexuality". Light supper provided, if you would like to make a koha please donate directly to St Mary of the Angels. All are welcome, if you have any questions talk to Fr Hayden or send an email to [claredevinenz@gmail.com](mailto:claredevinenz@gmail.com).

## Voice for Life

Inviting all young adults (18 years and up) to VFL Youth Wellington's 'The Mind of Christ' Seminar with guest speaker Brendan Malone, **on the 24th of June at Saint Mary of the Angels Crypt**. The seminar is made up of 4 x 45 minute workshop sessions where we will explore the key thinkers and ideologies that have powerfully shaped the modern secular worldview. On everything from sexuality, to human identity, to morality, to the role of science, and more! Lunch will also be provided at the event.

## St Vincent de Paul Meeting

The next meeting of the City Conference group of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be held in the Mahony Room at the St. Mary of the Angels Presbytery on Tuesday June 20 at 6pm. We are a Catholic faith based charity, inspired by the Gospels, and dedicated to helping those in need through personal contact. If this appeals to you, please join us. New members are very welcome.

## Youth Mass

Please join us at 5pm on the last Sunday of the month, Sunday 25 June to get together for Mass and a meal afterwards at Capital Market! If you would like to serve at Mass, please get in touch via the SMAYAC's Facebook page—[www.facebook.com/smayacs1](http://www.facebook.com/smayacs1). See you there and God bless!

## St Thomas More Society, Wellington - Mass and Dinner, Friday 23 June, 2023

The St Thomas More Society's annual Mass and dinner is an opportunity for members of the Wellington legal community (including non-lawyers) and law students to gather and celebrate the feast day of the Patron Saint of lawyers. This year, Mass will take place at 5.30pm in the temporary Connolly Hall Chapel (entrance and parking from Guildford Terrace). Drinks and dinner will follow at the Wellington Club for those who wish to book this. Our guest speaker this year is Brendan Malone, a Christchurch based media consultant and bioethics educator. If you are interested in attending and would like more information please email [thomasmoresoc@gmail.com](mailto:thomasmoresoc@gmail.com)

## Children's Sacramental Programme

Children who are Year 4 and above are encouraged to join the Sacramental Programme for Confirmation, First Reconciliation and First Communion. Please contact the Parish Office at [office.manager@smoa.org.nz](mailto:office.manager@smoa.org.nz) or 04 473 8074 for more information or to enrol your child.

## Marist St Pats RFC

The Clubs annual Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 2 July at 10.30am at St Patricks Church, Childers Tce, Kilbirnie. Mass will be celebrated by a light lunch. All welcome.

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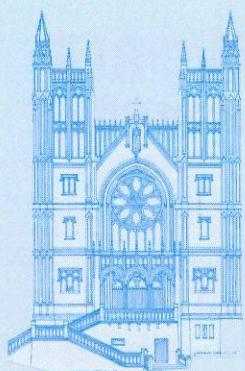
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## A Retreat in Daily Life: Inner Peace in the Service of God

Christian Life Community Wellington invites you to an Ignatian First Spiritual Exercise retreat in daily life based on a programme developed by Australian Michael Hanson SJ. Participants meet weekly, under the guidance of trained guides, to pray and share in small groups their experience of prayer. The retreat is open to all and will be held at Cardinal McKeefry School, 66 Albermarle Road, Wilton, Wellington, over five Sunday afternoons from 1:30 p.m. (registration) for a 2 p.m. start, finishing at 4 p.m. – 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> June, and 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> July 2023. The cost of the retreat is \$50, and the cost of the book if required is \$25. Sponsorship is available if the cost would prevent you from attending. To register or for further information contact Sarah Dench on 021 0814 4424 or email [christianlifecommunitywgtn@gmail.com](mailto:christianlifecommunitywgtn@gmail.com)

## Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College

If you want to serve in the parish community, become a catechist, Christian or youth leader, or want to deepen your understanding of the Catholic faith, come and register at Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College. We offer programmes that will help you build intellectual faith as you build faith communities. For more information, please visit our website at [www.ctc.ac.nz](http://www.ctc.ac.nz), email us at [offic@ctc.ac.nz](mailto:offic@ctc.ac.nz) or call (04) 8198380. Scholarships and online options available.”

### 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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## But I'm already very busy!

Jesus did not ask us to welcome strangers and love each other, but not to worry about this if we are busy. Family Group life is gospel life and we should never be too busy to live that way. Apart from that, if you are too busy you are going to miss out on a lot of fun.

## What if I've already got enough friends?

Well, maybe a group needs you! And if you do have many friends, you don't have to lose them to belong to a Family Group.

Have you ever thought what it is like for the people who are not like you and don't have many friends? What if we could create a network where everybody knew at least 10 families well? Wouldn't that be a great way for you to contribute to the parish community?

## What about the benefits to the Parish?

Family Groups promote community in the parish through the active involvement of parishioners. Experience shows many people become more actively involved in parish life as a result of belonging to a Passionist Family Group.



## History of the Passionist Family Group Movement

The Family Groups began in 1972 as an inspiration of Father Peter McGrath in the tiny parish of St Anthony in the Fields, Terrey Hills, an outer suburb of Sydney. Being a Passionist, Peter guided the Movement with a down-to-earth, practical and friendship based spirituality. Peter used to describe it as "a matter of the heart". As the parish grew in numbers, Peter and others set about preserving the original community spirit when people knew each other by name and shared each others joys and struggles. Other parishes wanted this same spirit and a Movement developed across Australia.

Passionist Family Groups began in Aotearoa in June 1988 through the work of Fr Brian Traynor CP and Lynn and Rob Hill from Paeroa parish and as happened in Australia, the Movement spread far and wide. Today, effective and committed leaders across each diocese still work with Fr Brian, the Advisor.

Together they provide active support, resources and spiritual formation to continue developing healthy leadership models within the Movement. Passionist Family Groups are continuing to encourage, support and guide small group community, a recognised need in the modern church. They bring a sense of fun and friendship to Christian life - a dimension too often missing in parish life.

Will you join in?

# Passionist

## Family Group Movement

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"Matters of the Heart"





## The Family Group Movement

Have you ever asked yourself? "How could I be more involved in our parish?" Maybe you have wondered how you could get to know some of the people you see in the church?

## Changing faces into names and names into Family

Nearly everyone finds it difficult to meet new people. There is an increasing number of parishioners from overseas countries. How do they get a sense of welcome and belonging? Joining a Family Group enables parishioners to meet regularly with a small number of people in a social environment. A Family Group is a great way of helping break down barriers and really getting to know others, so that we can look out for each other and build community.

## What are the Aims of the Family Group Movement?

The Movement has a down-to-earth spirituality. We want people to feel welcomed in their parish and to have a true sense of belonging. We want members to accept and appreciate each other, to support each other in times of need and in this way assist people to live their faith in a truly practical way.

## Is it Social or Religious?

Jesus would have found this a strange distinction, but some people still ask the question. He called his followers to love one another and that's what people do in Passionist Family Groups. Many people believe that faith is 'caught' rather than 'taught' and there is a lot of 'faith catching' in Family Groups.

## Do I have to be holy?

Holliness is most obvious in the practical ways we respond to human need. Being a member of a Family Group enables you to experience true holiness, by creating an environment where people can be themselves and respond to each others' everyday needs.

## Who will be in my Family Group?

A Family Group is made up of about 10 – 12 families. Many of these will be couples or single adults. Everyone is welcome to join. Family Groups are for all.

## What happens in a Family Group?

Faces become names and names become family. Groups gather once a month (e.g. for a picnic, barbeque, pot luck shared meal, etc) to enjoy being with one another and gradually develop supportive relationships that are as strong as any true family. In the past, most groups had a cross section of ages including children. While there are still many such groups, there are also many Family Groups with senior adult members who have been together for decades and developed a true sense of family.

## What can I give to a Family Group?

Yourself! You can give your heart, your time, your friendship.

## How committed do I have to be?

A Family Group is just like a family; the members create a sense of responsibility for one another. As with all aspects of life, you reap what you sow. You will get from Family Groups what you put into Family Groups.

## What if I'm not Catholic or I am single or divorced?

The Passionist Family Group motto is "A Family for All" Family Groups provide an extended family for anyone who wishes to belong, whatever their faith tradition or whether they are married, single or divorced. Everyone is welcome to join.

