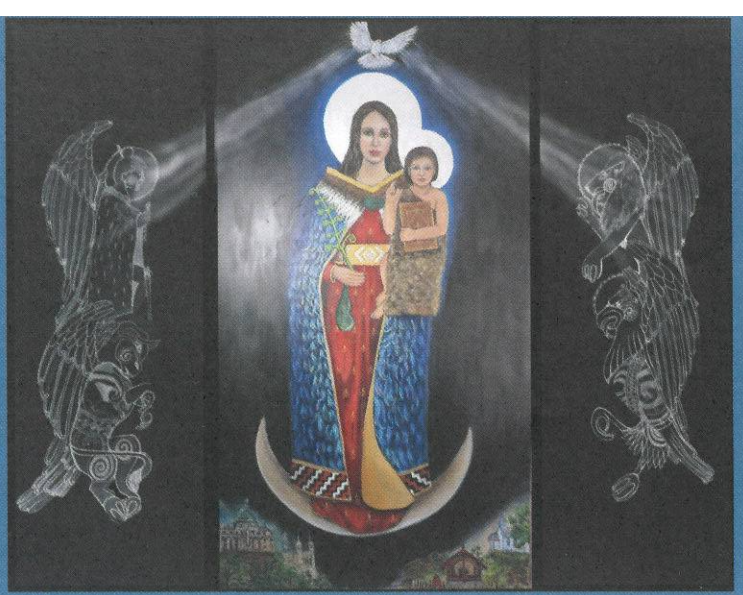


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## St Mary of the Angels Church

### 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 - 11.50am  
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

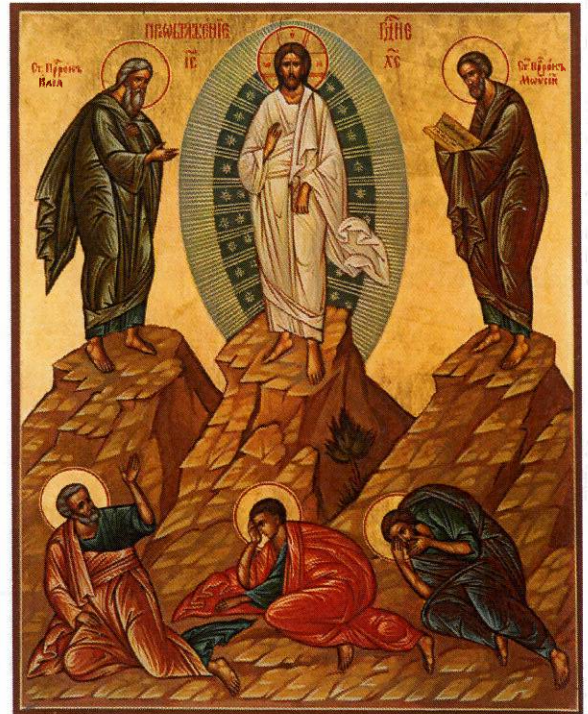
## St Joseph's Church

Baptisms on 3rd Sunday of each month.  
Please arrange through Parish Office.

## 6 August 2023, The Transfiguration of the Lord

### A Glimpse of Heavenly Glory

The Feast of the Transfiguration offers us a foretaste of Heaven, where we will behold God face to face in all his glory. In our earthly journey, we often struggle to grasp the fullness of God's presence and the reality of the afterlife. However, the Transfiguration reminds us that one day, in Heaven, we will experience the radiant splendor of God's divine presence. Like the apostles on Mt Tabor, we too will witness the glory of the Risen Christ, which will surpass anything we can currently comprehend.



The Feast of the Transfiguration calls us to embrace the call to holiness. As we contemplate the glorified Christ, we are invited to renew our commitment to living lives of virtue and grace. Just as the apostles were transformed by their encounter with the transfigured Christ, we are called to be transfigured by our encounter with Him in the Eucharist and through prayer. This transformation is an ongoing process, as we seek to become more like Christ and reflect His light to the world.

The Feast of the Transfiguration is a profound celebration of Jesus' divine nature and His ultimate triumph over sin and death. As we meditate on this event, we are reminded of the heavenly glory that awaits us and the transformative power of encountering Christ in our lives. Let us strive to follow the example of Peter, James, and John, embracing the call to holiness and allowing Christ's light to shine through us, so that others may also catch a glimpse of the glory that awaits those who faithfully follow Him. May the Feast of the Transfiguration inspire us to draw closer to Christ and become bearers of His love and light to the world.

Fr Joe Savesi sm—Assistant Priest

## This Week's Readings

<b>First Reading</b>	<b>Daniel</b>	<b>7:9-10, 13-14</b>
<i>His raiment was as white as snow.</i>		
<b>Second Reading</b>	<b>2 Peter</b>	<b>1:16-19</b>
<i>We heard this voice from out of heaven.</i>		
<b>Gospel Reading</b>	<b>Matthew</b>	<b>17:1-9</b>
<i>His face was shining like the sun.</i>		

## Next Week's Readings

<b>First Reading</b>	<b>1 Kings</b>	<b>19:9, 11-13</b>
<b>Psalm</b>	<b>84</b>	
<b>Second Reading</b>	<b>Romans</b>	<b>9:1-5</b>
<b>Gospel Reading</b>	<b>Matthew</b>	<b>14:22-23</b>



### Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection:	\$3,175
Automatic Payments:	\$3,089
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$6,264</b>

### St Josephs Men's Book and Discussion Group

Held on Tuesday 8 August at 7.30 pm in the Bill Pearce Room, St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria. Book(s), Magazines, movies, websites etc. shared by members. Our guest and fellow SMOA parishioner is Chris Finlayson. He will present including from his book "Yes Minister: An Insider's Account of the John Key years". John Dalgety 027 338 3576

### Thought for the Week

Respect is not imposed or begged;  
it is earned and offered.

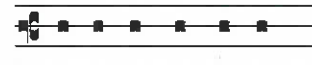
## Responsorial Psalm 96

**R. The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.**

The Lord is king, let earth rejoice,  
let all the coastlands be glad.  
Cloud and darkness are his raiment;  
his throne, justice and right. **R.**

The mountains melt like wax  
before the Lord of all earth  
The skies proclaim his justice;  
all peoples see his glory. **R.**

For you indeed are the Lord  
most high above all the earth  
exalted far above all spirits. **R.**



Domi-nus re-gna-vit.



al-tissimus super omnem terram.

*The Lord hath reigned, the most high Lord over all the earth.*

### Joshua Wellington

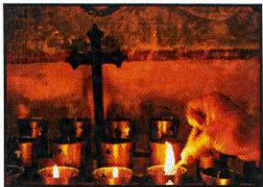
Joshua Wellington invites men to join us on Thursday 17 August at 7:30pm at the 'Loaves and Fishes' next to Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth Streets followed by supper. The Theme is "Forgive your brother from the heart". Guest speaker: Fr James Lyons. Want to know more? Ring David Monastra 0274477280 or email: [joshua.wgtn@gmail.com](mailto:joshua.wgtn@gmail.com)

### Mass has been offered for:

**Recently Deceased:** Igor & Iwona Drecki, Nikolao Moors

**Anniversaries:** Aiden McLean, James Baird, Paul Veltman, Scott Fraser, Kenneth Bates, Barbara Ross, Rosina Walker, Fr John Goulter sm, Anna Tait-Jamieson, Zanaida Angeles

**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 Vioria, Jim Meachen, Tony Mackle, Dr Bill Glass, Tracey Wernicki, Bernadette Coup, Philippa & Raymond Fagg



*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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## Formation

We are delighted to offer to the whole community, catechesis or teaching on the Mass. The first two sessions have been completed. But we encourage everyone to come along to the third and final session on the Liturgy of the Word which will be held at St Joseph's on **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm**. It will be repeated at St Mary of the Angel's on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> August at 10.30am**. Please come along to which ever session suits you best. More specific practical formation sessions, firstly for Eucharistic Ministers and then for Proclaimers, will follow.

For more information please contact:

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## Call for RCIA Sponsors

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is about to begin in our parish from this September. Fr. Michael is hoping to form a "pool" of parishioners who are willing and able to accompany as sponsors those desiring to become full members of the Catholic Church. If you are interested in being part of this "pool" or just want to know what RCIA sponsorship entails, please get in touch with Fr. Michael via his e-mail address:

[mlyoungsm@gmail.com](mailto:mlyoungsm@gmail.com)

## Vacancy: Prison Chaplaincy Director New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference

*Can you help us show the love of God inside the prison walls?*

Applications are invited for the position of Prison Chaplaincy Director for the New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference (NZCBC). The Prison Chaplaincy Director is a national role, providing pastoral and professional leadership and support to the Catholic chaplains who provide chaplaincy services in New Zealand prisons. This is a critical role, leading an important national ministry of the Church.

If you or someone you know has experience as a prison chaplain (or in other pastoral or chaplaincy roles) and team leadership experience combined with theology and pastoral qualifications, please visit [www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/prison](http://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/prison) for more information.

## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Program

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) programme will commence again on the 7<sup>th</sup> of September for anyone who is interested in joining our Catholic Community. This programme runs from September to April and involves weekly group meetings to learn about and discuss our Catholic Faith. If anyone is interested in joining this programme, or would like to support as a leader or sponsor in this programme, please make contact with Fr Michael on [mlyoung@gmail.com](mailto:mlyoung@gmail.com).

## Bishops urge all Catholics to study Synod's working document *Instrumentum laboris*

All Catholics are being urged to read the working document that will guide the Synod meeting in Rome in October and help to set the future direction of the Church. Bishop of Auckland Stephen Lowe says "It is a document that reflects the Holy Spirit speaking to people throughout the world. As such it is a document for the whole Church, and I invite everyone to prayerfully read and reflect on it, and to pray for the Synod's work over the next 18 months."

More information including links to *Instrumentum laboris*:  
<https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/synod-2/>

Link to a PDF of *Instrumentum laboris*:

[www.catholic.org.nz/assets/ENG\\_INSTRUMENTUM-LABORIS.pdf](http://www.catholic.org.nz/assets/ENG_INSTRUMENTUM-LABORIS.pdf)

Link to a PDF FAQ and Synthesis with detailed information about *Instrumentum laboris*:

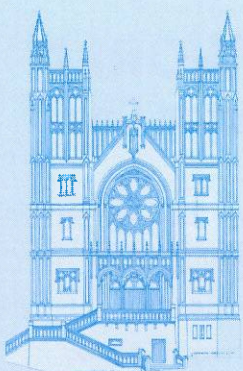
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## What is Theology?

A course run by Te Kupenga, Catholic Theological College. Held on Friday 1 September 5:30-8:30pm and Saturday 2 September 9am-4pm at the Mercy Centre Wellington. Register online at [www.tekupenga.ac.nz/apply](http://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/apply) or call (04)819 8380 or email [office@ctc.ac.nz](mailto:office@ctc.ac.nz) for more information.

## 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.



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### Game On!

*A parenting course just for dads.*

We look at what our kids need, what is our role as Dads, communication, disciple and boundary setting, what makes a great family and more. Programme will be facilitated by Ian and Duncan. We do this along with kai, tea/coffee and conversation. Running for 8 weeks and starting on Wednesday 9 August, 6.30-8.30pm, Level 1, 132 Tory Street, Te Aro, Wellington. Contact the Administrator, Catholic Social Services to register—[reception@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:reception@wn.catholic.org.nz), 04 385 8642 or text Ian on 021 374 593

### 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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