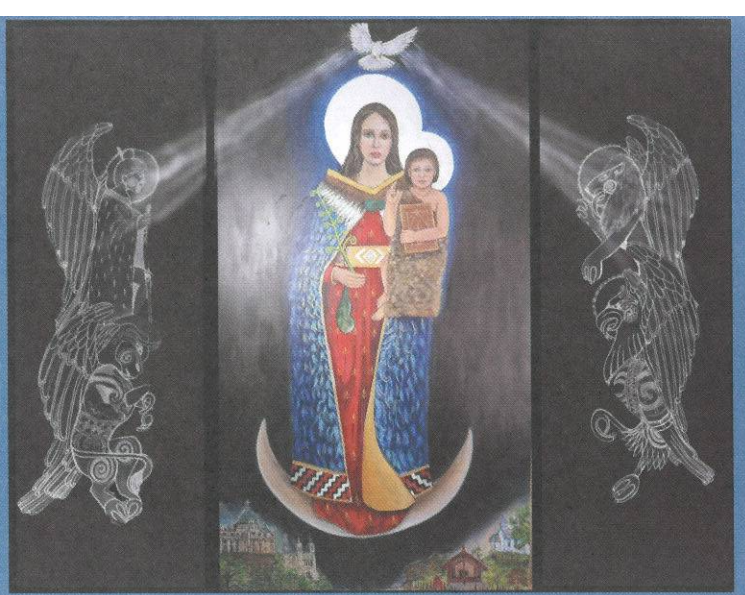


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Ko Hāia Maria, te Matua Wāhine o te Atua - Holy Mary, Mother of God

8 October 2023, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

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.

The parable of the murderous vinedressers picturesquely recalls the whole drama of Israel, the chosen People of God., that elect and rebellious people. Its meaning is clear for every Jew well-versed in the Scriptures, for the image of the vine is used in the Old Testament to designate Israel. God has given the Promised Land to his People so that they could bring the hope of Salvation to all nations. If they fail to do this by their disobedience, through their pursuit of false gods, then their one, true God will disown them.

But the parable as told by Jesus contained a new point – the sending of the son, introduced by the moving phrase: “They will respect my son”. It is quite clear here that Jesus is announcing his own death. He came into the world and the leaders of his own people did not welcome nor recognise him for who he really; worse, they ended by rejecting the Son and heir and by crucifying him outside the city walls. The parable concludes with a prophecy: the ‘New Israel’, the new People of God, the Church of the Risen Lord will take up the mission which formerly fell to Israel.

This prophecy, however, also contains a warning for the New People of God, the Church: we, in our turn, must not disappoint the Father who has sent his Son amongst us to announce the Good News and who is now asking us to share this Good News with all. It is we, congregations the world over like St Mary of the Angels, who are called to bring the hope of Salvation to all whom we meet – without exception! No-one is to be turned away. We are not called to look down on others whom, we may think, are not part of the elect; rather, we are sent to embrace them and bring them into God's family.

Think about this simple fact: early each morning the doors of St Mary of the Angels are opened and not shut again until the evening. This happens every day of the year without fail. Anyone can enter, sit and rest, pray or light a candle. This is one simple expression of the parable of the vineyard. All are invited to enter the Kingdom of Good, to come to know of the Good News of Salvation.

Are we as welcoming in our own personal lives as Christ expects us to be and as St Mary of the Angels Church is every day of the year?

Fr Kevin Mowbray

Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading Isaiah 5:1-7
The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.

Second Reading Philippians 4:6-9
Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Reading Matthew 21:33-43
He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading Isaiah 25:6-10

Psalm 22

Second Reading Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel Reading Matthew 22:1-14



Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$3,950

Automatic Payments: \$4,692

Total: \$8,642

Columban Calendars

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

Sunday Miha (Maori Mass)

Miha for Te Kāinga is celebrated at the Home of Compassion Chapel, 2 Rhine Street Island Bay every Sunday at 11am.

Thought for the Week

Never trade what you want most for what you want in the moment.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Koru Moss

Anniversaries: Brendan Gilmore, Mary Crompton, Sidney Hall, Leo Buchanan, Bill Maher

Prayers for the Sick: Noreen Kirwan, Dianne Sweet, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Kerry Barber, Pam Finlayson, Francisca Sparnaay, Pat Mahony, Samara Jamed, Kay De Bernardo, Saturino and Magdalena Vioria, Jim Meachen, Tony Mackle, Dr Bill Glass, Tracey Wernicki, Philippa & Raymond Fagg, Phillip Hickey

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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Responsorial 79

R. The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

You brought a vine out of Egypt;
to plant it you drove out the nations.
Is stretched out its branches to the sea,
to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. **R**

Then why have you broken down its walls?
It is plucked by all who pass by.
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,
devoured by the beasts of the field. **R**

God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. **R**

And we shall never forsake you again:
give us life that we may call upon your name.
God of hosts, bring us back;
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. **R**



Vi-ne-a e-nim Domi-ni ex-erci-tu-um domus Isra-el.

The vineyard of the Lord of Hosts is the house of Israel.

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.

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Christian Meditation Community Day

Meditation and Embodiment, facilitated by Jo Ward. Saturday October 14 starting at 10am with a cuppa, finishing by 2:30pm. Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine St, Island Bay. Bring your lunch, hot drinks will be provided. Koha to cover the cost of the venue. Any queries: contact Jo Ward 022 071 5881

Refugee House Goods

The Social Justice Group is looking for a new or near new Microwave oven and a vacuum cleaner for a refugee family arriving in Wellington mid October. If you can help please contact John Feeney ph 043864956 email johnfeeney57@gmail.com

Caritas Vacancy

Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand, is seeking applications for a part time Finance Assistant. To view more details please visit: <https://www.caritas.org.nz/work-with-us>

Hastings Hibernian Education Trust Grant

The Hibernian Catholic Education Trust is a grant for those in need to help defray the cost of education, ie uniform costs, camp costs, and any fees associated with education. Applications are reviewed by our trustees and then decisions are made based on need, if you would like an application, please contact Abby in the Parish Office on 04 473 8074 or office.manager@smoa.org.nz

Staying Safe on Social Media

A nation-wide campaign to raise awareness of how everyone can stay safe on our Catholic social media platforms starts next Monday, 20 March. Check our Facebook, Instagram and other social media each day from Monday for tips on how to keep yourself safe. Details of the campaign are here: www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/socialmedia-safety/

Taize Prayer Service

Held on Sunday 8 October at 7pm– 8pm, St Joseph's Chapel at 154 Brougham Street, Mt Victoria. Contact: johndalgety57@gmail.com 027 338 3576 for more info.

St Joseph's Men's Book Group

Held on Tuesday 10 October at 7.30 pm in the Bill Pearce Room, St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria. Book's, Magazines, movies, websites etc. will be shared by members. Our guest from around 8.15pm will be Chris Finlayson and his book "Yes, Minister". Contact John Dalgety on 027 338 3576 or johndalgety57@gmail.com for more info.

Urgently Needing:

Readers and Ministers for Holy Communion

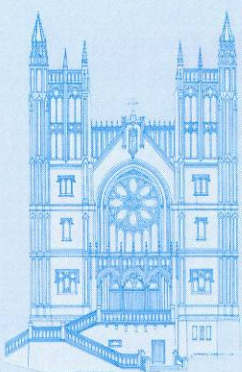
We are looking for Readers and Ministers for Holy Communion for the 7am, 9am, 11am and 5pm Sunday Masses. If you are interested or want to know more please contact Sister Frances on sisterfrancesgibbs@hotmail.com. There will be formation for those who have volunteered.

Aged Care Ministry.

The first formation day for Aged Care ministers took place in St Joseph's Church on 23 September. Numerous volunteers took part in this first stage of formation for this developing ministry. If you are interested in volunteering in this Ministry, which focusses on visiting aged, sick and dying people in retirement homes and hospices, please contact Sister Frances by emailing sisterfrancesgibbs@hotmail.com or Fr Kevin on parish.priest@smoa.org.nz

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 or in paper form available at the back of the Church.



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We are seeking long term (6-12 month) volunteers for departure in January 2024 to work with young people in our Salesian communities in Samoa, Cambodia, Timor Leste, Solomon Islands and Australia. Applications close October 31st, 2023. Send us an enquiry—www.cagliero.org.au or lhichaaba@salesians.org.au

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, email us at offic@ctc.ac.nz or call (04) 8198380. Scholarships and online options available.”

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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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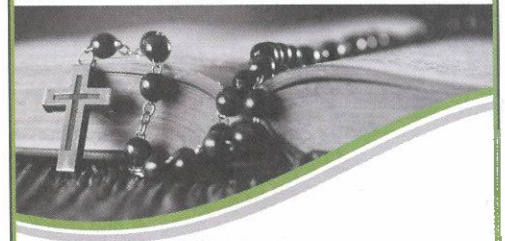
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