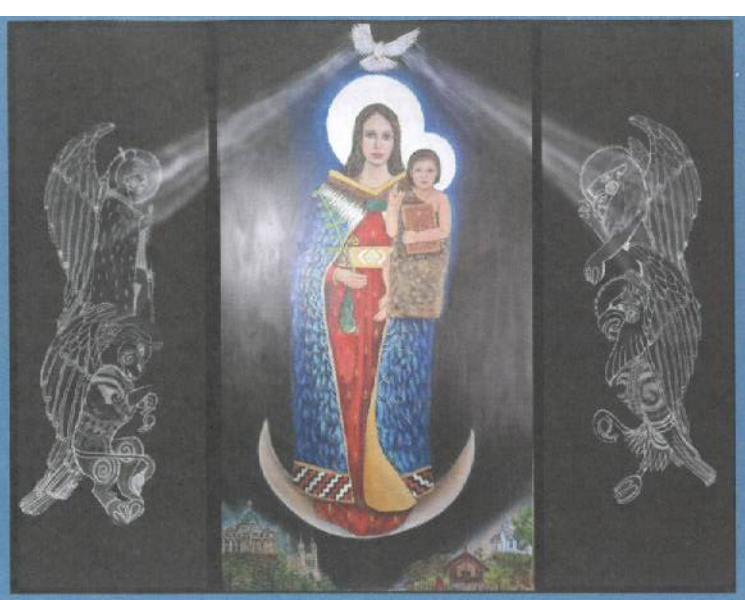


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2 June 2024, The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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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 Feast of the Body and Blood of Jesus

As a young person, I went to mass for many years, but I felt I was just taking a LOOK at mass. The priest was at the altar; I was in a back seat as an observer. At some point on the journey I began to notice the words of the mass.

A spark of love seemed to shout out from all the other words. They were Jesus's own words said boldly at every mass - like they were the high point of this gathering: "this is my body" and "this is my blood". It struck me that only people in love offer these words to each other - here is my whole body, my life-blood, my everything, I'm all yours. I give myself fully to you.

I was moved from mass being something I look at to an experience of being with God who is in LOVE with me. Reading books and studying scripture passages about the Mass led me to recognise that no other religion and christian tradition held faithfully and constantly to the original and apostolic practice and belief of the greatest love story and love encounter as the Catholic Community did.

Receiving Jesus' body and blood truly present in the Eucharist, joining me into a Holy Communion with God, over time began to challenge me at ever deeper levels. There is only so much unconditional love you can receive from someone before one feels a deeper question: what is an appropriate response. An ordinary 'thanks' seems too little when one is given a gift of a million dollars. Love was calling out an invitation and challenge to LIVE and respond with this same love.

As a priest, a prayer that was prayed during our ordination ceremony said the words: "believe what you celebrate and become what you receive". It is taken from the words of St Augustine. It is meant for all of us. We are invited to go beyond being observers looking at mass. We are invited to go beyond the comfort and love given us in Holy Communion. We are called to go and live this eucharistic love in the world. That is essentially what 'Mass' means - the latin meaning Go out - go on mission.

Fr Frank Bird sm

This Week's Readings

First Reading Exodus 24:3-8
This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you.

Second Reading Hebrews 9:11-15
The blood of Christ will purify our inner selves.

Gospel Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26
This is my body. This is my blood.


Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Genesis 3:9-15

Psalm: 129

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4: 13-5:1

Gospel: Mark 3: 20-35



Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$3,855
Automatic Payments: \$5,081
Total: \$8,936

Wellington Pathfinders

Have you recently found yourself out of work? Are you wanting to meet other people who are going through a similar experience and can understand? Are you wanting to talk about a way forward in a supported environment? Come along to Wellington Pathfinders, a group facilitated by Jules which meets on Monday mornings from 9.30am and Friday 3pm in the Bill Pearce Room at St Joseph's Church by the Basin Reserve. All are welcome you don't have to be Catholic.

Thought for the Week

Yesterday is history. Tomorrow is mystery.
Today is gift.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Brian Ward, Michael Kennard, Christiane Dubrevil, Anne (Nancy) Faherty

Anniversaries: Bronius Grinskis, Corazon Owen, Fawcett Andrew, Claire Abbott, Lindsay Haas, Kevin Reeve, Fr John O'Dowd sm, Peter Gilbert, Hilary Proctor

Prayers for the Sick: Jeanette Papesch, Kirwan sisters, Dianne Sweet, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Kerry Barber, Pam Finlayson, Francisca Sparnaay, Pat Mahony, Kay De Bernardo, Saturino Vilorio, Jim Meachen, Tony Mackle, Dr Bill Glass, Stephen George, Greg Hayward, Kathryn Frances Lloyd,
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.



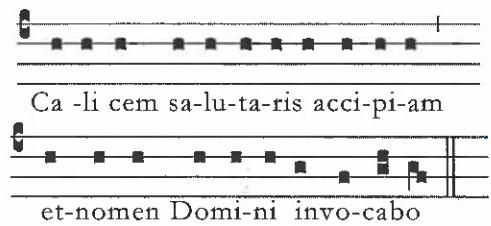
Responsorial Psalm 115

R. I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me?
The cup of salvation I will raise;
I will call on the Lord's name. **R.**

O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his Faithful.
Your servant, Lord, your servant am I; you have loosened my bonds. **R.**

A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:
I will call on the Lord's name.
My vows to the Lord I will fulfil before all his people. **R.**



*I will take the chalice of salvation and
I will call upon the name of the Lord*

Genesis to Jesus Bible Study

The Symbolon Team bring you the 'Genesis to Jesus' bible study - a series designed to help ordinary Catholics grow in their knowledge of the Scriptures while deepening their understanding of the riches of our faith. 12 sessions in all, held every second Tuesday with the next session on **Tuesday 4 June** from 6-7pm in the St Mary of the Angels' Parish Hall. Koha appreciated, supper provided.



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National Shrine Prayer

E te Atua , Creator of heaven and earth,
Source of all life, giver of all that is good,
We pray for Aotearoa New Zealand
And for all who come to her shores and make it their home.
We recall with gratitude our forebears in the Faith,
Who dedicated this country to the care of Mary,
Mother of God, assumed into heaven.
Pour out your Spirit upon us as we seek to respond to you,
Bringing your peace and harmony to this sacred land.
May we continue to praise you as we carry the Good News
of Jesus Christ to our brothers and sisters.
We make this prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen.
Mary, assumed into heaven; pray for us.

Part-time Secretary Required

A community organization affiliated with the parish Hibernian society needs a secretary to arrange payments to members, prepare attend and minute two meetings each year, and draft Half-year and Annual Accounts. This is a paid job, very part-time self-employed, and likely done at home. Contact Philip O'Brien, 027 422 0242.

Seasons for Growth Companion Training

Virtual two-day Seasons for Growth Companion Training with Jess Ferroni, Seasons for Growth Trainer/Coordinator, Catholic Social Services. **Monday 17 – Tuesday 18 June, 9.30am – 4.30pm.** This online training is aimed at those based in the South Island but it is open to everyone. Fill out the application form here: <https://forms.office.com/r/gz9WZb2adC> . Learn how to support children and young people to understand and respond well to issues they experience as a result of death, separation, divorce or other significant change and loss in their lives. Learn how to assist children and young people to understand that their feelings and other reactions are normal. Registrations close Thursday 6 June. Cost is \$300 + resources. Contact Jess at j.ferroni@wn-catholicsocialservices.org.nz

June Mass Cancellations

Due to the lack of Priests the following Masses are cancelled in June:

St Joseph's Church

18 June, 8.30am

St Mary of the Angels Church

6 June, 12.15pm Mass and Reconciliation.

17-21 June, all evening Masses (5.15pm) and Reconciliation (4.30pm).

21 June, 7.30am Mass and Adoration.

Kings Birthday

On Monday 3 June is the Kings Birthday Public Holiday. There will be only one Mass celebrated on this day at 12.05pm.

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.

Common Grace Aotearoa

Save the dates! Common Grace Aotearoa is offering a programme 'Belonging in this Land - Treaty Basics from a Christian Perspective'. This consists of two video presentations followed by group discussion. The programme is an opportunity for us to learn more about Te Tiriti, and what it means to be Tangata Tiriti in the face of the Treaty Principles Bill. It is very important that all of us: Māori, Pākehā, recent migrants as well as those whose ancestors came to this country in the 1800s, have an understanding of te Tiriti and the Treaty (note they are separate documents). Sir David Moxon, former Anglican Archbishop of NZ is one of the presenters.

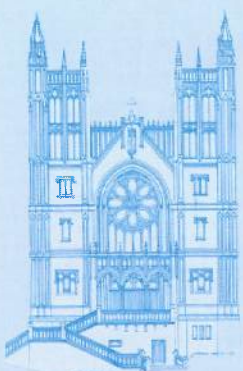
Date Session 1: Monday 10 June at 7pm -8.30pm

Date Session 2: Monday 24 June at 7pm -8.30pm

Venue: St Anne's Church.

Common Grace would be very grateful for any donation. Go to treatyandbelonging.nz/resources. There will also be a donation basket at the back of the church. Please let the Catholic Parish of Wellington South Parish office know if you wish to attend so a participant's booklet can be prepared for you.

Email: office@wellingtonsouthcatholic.org (You can also download the booklet from the above website.).



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Cathedral of the Sacred Heart Re-Opening

On the weekend of 7-9 June celebrations will take place at the Metropolitan Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Hill Street, Wellington. After nearly 6 years of earthquake strengthening, renovations and plenty of fund-raising the doors are ready to be re-opened.

Friday 7 June

5:30am Whakawātea dawn blessing at 5.30am by Mana Whenua

7:30pm Archdiocesan Mass of Thanksgiving (by invitation only)

Livestream available <https://www.youtube.com/live/bANyq3s3RCs>

Saturday 8 June

8:30am Parish Mass

9am-5pm Day of Adoration. . Everyone is invited to come throughout the day. Groups, parishes, and chaplaincies are invited to lead an hour. There are still time slots available if your group would like to lead an hour. It would be the groups responsibility to ensure people are present for the hour. Please contact the Cathedral Parish Office at cathedral.parish@wn.catholic.org.nz

5pm Ecumenical celebration of Evening Prayer – all welcome

Sunday 9 June

10am Archbishop Paul to preside at the Cathedral 'parish-homecoming' Mass

11am Refreshments and fellowship following Mass.

2pm-4pm Tours of the Cathedral. Entry by Koha.
Tours at 2:00 p.m. 2:45 p.m. 3:30 p.m..

7pm Evening Mass

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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