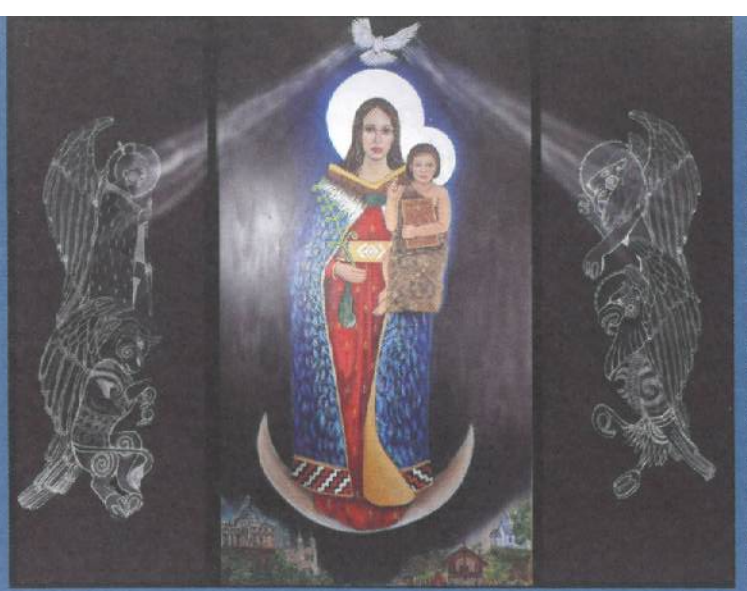


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Ko Hīta Maria, te Mātua Whānue o te Atua - Holy Mary, Mother of God

13 October 2024, 28th 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.

Today we continue reading the Gospel of Mark, In today's Gospel, an unnamed man approaches Jesus and inquires about what he must do to inherit eternal life. Jesus replies that one must follow the commandments of the law of Moses. The young man acknowledges that he has observed all these since his childhood. Jesus then says that one thing is lacking: he must give his possessions to the poor and follow Him. The man leaves in sadness, and Mark tell us that this is because he had many possessions.

What is it that this Reading is saying to us. For this man, it goes without saying that eternal life is the goal of virtuous living. He has observed the commandments which deal with God and one's neighbours. Without realizing it, this man is in good state, not to secure his own salvation but to allow God to achieve it in him We have given nothing to God until we have given Him everything, and the love of Jesus urges us to just that: Love God to the exclusion of all idols, money, and the many possessions which we feel are important in our lives. That is the essence of the first commandment. The total gift of self, made concrete in the explicit call: 'Come follow me!' what is involved here is no longer a question of morality, but of attachment to Jesus who puts us on the road towards love of God alone.

What does all this mean to us- we who live in a society governed by a capitalistic, profit oriented, market economy; we who are constantly bombarded by consumerist ideology; we who are part of society that uses people and loves things; we who are tempted to draw our identity from our possessions, enmeshing our being with our having? The message of the Word of God can be three simple statements.

1. Accept the primacy of God and His Kingdom: Jesus is very clear- seek first the Kingdom of God. Don't set your whole life on wealth or possessions, they are only passing. Jesus invites us to give God the prime place.

2. Use things and love people: We live in a use and throwaway society. The Word of God invites us to priorities; to love people and use the things we have.

3. Be free and not possessed by your possessions: the young man in today's Gospel was not able to respond to his heart's deepest desire because of his shallow desire of possessions, he remains unnamed! The Disciples who left everything and followed Jesus – we know their names. Their identity comes from their relationship with Jesus. Our personal relationship with Jesus is also an invitation to the community of faith, the Church. Love God, love people, use possessions!

Sister Frances Gibbs

Pastoral Worker

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Wisdom 7: 7-11
In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4: 12-13
The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Gospel: Mark 10: 17-30
Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11

Psalm: 32

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45



Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$3,165

Automatic Payments: \$6,408

Total: \$9,573

Pilgrimage with the Saints Tour 2025

Fr Chris Friel from Timaru will lead this 17 day tour of Portugal, Spain and France in June next year. For full details and itinerary please email Pilgrimage Tours in Auckland at info@travlink.co.nz or phone 0800 99 7788.

Thought for the Week

No-one can make you feel inferior
without your consent

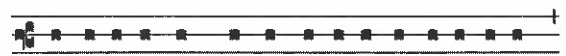
Responsorial Psalm 127

**R. Fill us with your love, O Lord,
and we will sing of joy!**

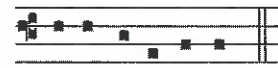
Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. **R.**

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew misfortune. **R.**

Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **R.**



Renle-tri surmus ma-ne mi-se-ri-cordi-a tu-a.



et exulta-vimus.

*We are filled in the morning with Thy mercy,
and we have rejoiced.*

St Vincent de Paul

Would you like to put your faith into action by helping needy people in the community through personal contact? If so, please join us. The next meeting of the City Conference group of the St. Vincent de Paul Society (Vinnies) will be held in the Mahony Room of the St. Mary of the Angels Presbytery on Tuesday 15 October at 6pm. New members are very welcome.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Thomas Patrick Durkin, Jim Scanlon, Patrick Sims Brown, Kathryn Frances Lloyd, Kay De Bernardo, Marie Harvey

Anniversaries: Michael O'Loughlin, Ann Ross, John O'Rourke, Colin Hooper, Bryan Outtrim

Prayers for the Sick: Jeanette Papesch, Kirwan sisters, Dianne Sweet, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Kerry Barber, Pam Finlayson, Francisca Sparnaay, Pat Mahony, Saturino Vioria, Dr Bill Glass, Stephen George, Greg Hayward, Neni Beres, Yvonne D'Souza, Joan Wolland, Julia Choquette, João Pereira, Stephanie Butler, Maisie Sinclair, Mark Horton



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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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.

Joshua Wellington

Joshua Wellington back in Connolly Hall for the second time after 6 years; next to Sacred Heart Cathedral in Guildford Terrace. Come and join other men on Thursday 17 October from 7pm for a cuppa and a 7:30pm start for meeting followed by supper. Speaker: Rainer Hensel on "The Lord has set me free from all my fears" Want to know more? Ring David Monastra 027-4477-280 or email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

Looking for Volunteers!

We are looking for more volunteers for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for 11am and 5pm Masses. If you are interested or want to know more please contact Fr Kevin Mowbray by emailing parish.priest@smoa.org.nz or Sister Frances on sisterfrancesgibbs@hotmail.com. There will be a formation programme for those who have volunteered.

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for more volunteers to join our Aged Care Ministry. Volunteers will join a ministry which visits the aged, the sick and the dying in various retirements villages and centres around Wellington Central providing companionship, prayer and the access to the sacraments. Training and formation takes place regularly. All visiting is undertaken by teams of volunteers. If you are interested please contact Fr Kevin on parish.priest@smoa.org.nz or Sister Frances on sisterfrancesgibbs@hotmail.com

Masses Cancelled

The 7.30am Mass and the 5.15pm Masses on 14 October have been cancelled due to Priest availability.

Guardians Needed

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.

Columban Calendars

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

Carparks for Rent

The few church carparks have come up for rent Monday-Friday. If you are interested, please contact Abby in the Parish Office—04 473 8074

SCAM WARNING

Requests for funds to send overseas

We have become aware that there may be people who are soliciting privately for money to be sent overseas to personal bank accounts, allegedly to assist with charitable works. If you wish to donate money overseas, we encourage you to do so through a New Zealand registered charity such as Caritas. If you have been approached to send money to a private bank account under the guise of overseas mission work, please contact the Archdiocesan Privacy and Complaints Officer, Elizabeth Berry on 0800 825 528 or 021 567 143 or email at e.berry@wn.catholic.org.nz

Taize Chant

Held on Sunday 13 October, 7pm in St Josephs Church Chapel, Brougham Street.

Piping in the Spring, Organ Concert

Paul Rosoman, international concert organist, is giving an organ concert at St Luke's Church in Wadestown. Held on Sunday 3 November from 2-4pm. This will be a top class music event will be followed by a beautiful afternoon tea. Tickets available through Eventfinda.



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Welcome to Holy Smoke Candles

My passion for candles and scent, led me to create the Holy Smoke, eco-friendly range of candles. Saint Philomena is the figure depicted on the candle labels. Her name Philomena means "daughter of light." I didn't know this when I chose her image, so it seems something was pointing me in the right direction. Alongside the environmentally friendly nature of the candles, I wanted something that has the ability to also support communities.

The easiest way for to do this is by donating a portion of every candle sold to charity. Candles cost \$20 for the nativity candle; \$25 for Our lady pillar candle and \$30 for the jar candle: They come unscented as well as scented in Floral , Household linen and a Christmas scent . Please purchase from the SMOA office or order online by emailing holysmokecandlesnz@gmail.com. I hope you love these candles as much as I do.—Mary Walsh



Eftpos at SMOA

We now have an Eftpos terminal available for one off donations in the office. The system is unable to print tax receipts for rebate. If you would like a tax receipt you must email Abby a photo of your printed receipt along with your Planned Giving number or personal details. Please note that this is a trial period until we get the finer details ironed out. If you have any queries, please contact Abby in the office – office.manager@smoa.org.nz or 04 473 8074.

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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