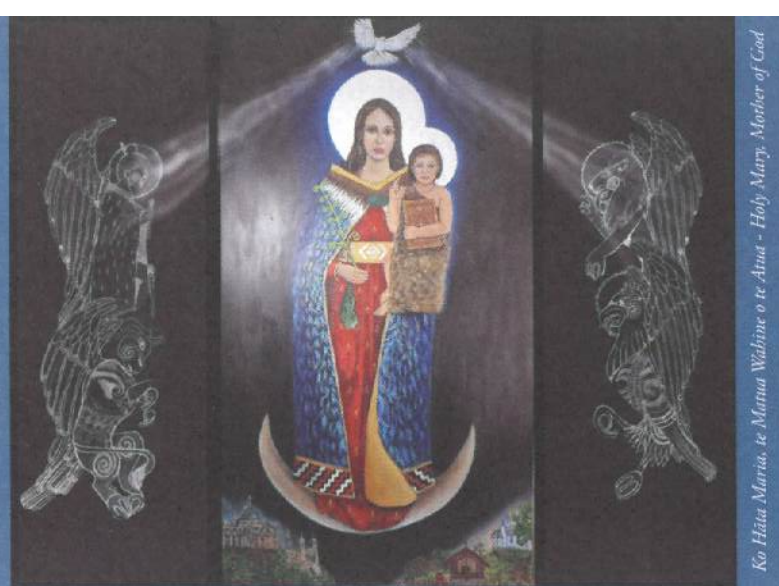


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Ko Hira Maria, te Matua Wāhine o te Atua - Holy Mary, Mother of God

20 April 2025, Easter Sunday

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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 Sat 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, 2nd and 4th Sundays each month

St Joseph's Church

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

Alleluia! The Lord is risen as he said. Ours is not to look among the dead for One who is alive. Ours is to return to Galilee, there to see him once again. The Galilee of remembered memories that left our hearts burning as he spoke, and the moments we had recognised him in the breaking of bread. And though we may not have recognised him straightaway, yet in hindsight we might hear his voice calling out our name.

Alleluia! The Lord is risen as he said. He breathes his Spirit upon us in whom we are reborn through fountains of living water, sealed by the oil of gladness and nourished in his Body and Blood. We become what we eat and drink to gain eternal life in him: the Resurrection and the Life. Thus, we are consecrated, set apart as witnesses of the One who was crucified and is risen from the dead.

Alleluia! The Lord is risen as he said. He is the Word sent by the Father and returned to the Father having achieved all that he was sent to do. By his words on the cross, "It is accomplished", he lifted the ancient curse of sin and death and, bowing his head, gave up his Spirit to make what was broken whole; and draw to himself those destined to follow in his wake.

Alleluia! The Lord is risen as he said. He bequeaths to us his peace and says, "Doubt no longer but believe". He is the vine we are the branches. Joined to him we are one with the Father since he and the Father are One. He has given us an example to copy, "I came to serve", he said, "Therefore, you must be servants to all, my friends".

Alleluia! The Lord is risen as he said. Until his return, in his Spirit we live now in him, through him and with him. When he returns, we shall see him in the flesh as he really is. We shall rise to glory, and reign with him in robes washed clean in the blood of the Lamb to feed for ever from the tree of life.
Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus!

Alleluia! The Lord is risen as he said. This is the day the Lord has made.
We rejoice and are glad.

Fr Michael Young sm—Assistant Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Acts 10: 34, 37-43
We have eaten and drunk with after his resurrection from the dead.

Second Reading: Colossians 3: 1-4
Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Gospel: John 20: 1-9
The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Acts 5: 12-16

Psalm: 117

Second Reading: Revelations 1: 9-13, 17-19

Gospel: John 20: 19-31



Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$4,653

Automatic Payments: \$3,236

Total: \$7,889

One in our Midst

A new book by Fr James Lyons, features titles of Mary in the Litany of Loreto and the national shrine Te Ara a Maria.

Copies are available from the Parish office or Sister Frances for \$20 each. All proceeds support the mission of the Sister of Our Lady of Compassion.

Thought for the Week

In life we should love people and use things,
but we use people and love things

Responsorial Psalm 117

**R. This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.**

Give thanks to the Lord for her is good,
for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.' **R.**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. **R.**



Alle- lu-ia Alle - lu-ia Alle- lu-ia

Congratulations

Congratulations to our 7 RCIA candidates on joining the Catholic Church through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)! This is a significant step in your spiritual journey and a time of celebration for you and the community. You are now fully welcomed into the Church, joining a fellowship of believers and embracing the sacraments.

Food for Faith

This Easter Octave week Fr. John O'Connor will offer daily encouragements using the Easter Gospel readings for each day. Try this as an Easter Retreat in Daily Life. www.foodforfaith.org.nz

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Lady Joan Gillies, Paul Gini, Leo Brett Kelly

Anniversaries: Richardson. Jeanine, Terence McDonald, Vicki McPhee, James Jackson, Kaye Harrison, Rosalie Coyle, Malcolm McClure, John Blake, Joseph Churchward

Prayers for the Sick: Terry Pohlen, Kirwan sisters, Dianne Sweet, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Kerry Barber, Pam Finlayson, Pat Mahony, Saturino Viloria, Dr Bill Glass, Stephen George, Greg Hayward, Neni Beres, Yvonne D'Souza, Joan Wolland, Julia Choquette, João Pereira, Stephanie Butler, Pauline & Brian Wilkins, John Ellis



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.

Planned Giving

Please let us know if you would like to join our planned giving programme, or if you would like to opt to donate by internet banking instead of donation envelopes this year. End of financial year tax receipts will be available by the end of April.

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.

Mass for St Joseph the Worker

St Josephs Church Mt Victoria 9.30am Sunday 4 May.
Come and join in this Jubilee Year Mass and reflect on the importance and value of work and the needs of all workers. Catholic teaching encourages us to take actions that support and respect the dignity human person, the common good and the importance of work. There will be a 15 minute workshop after mass for those who would like to consider actions St Joseph's can take.

Holy Hour for Vocations

Join us for an hour of adoration, reflection and prayer for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Tuesday 29 April, 7:30pm - 8:30pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Hill Street, Wellington. All are welcome!

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ,
our brother,
and the flame of love enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your kingdom.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,
a yearning for the
treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

Bishops' Lent Appeal 2025

The theme for the Lent appeal in 2025 is Restoring hope: Your compassion in action / Kia puawai te Tūmanako. Caritas' mission, as the Catholic agency for justice, peace and development, is of vital importance to us all. The Bishops' Lent Appeal is the best way to directly fund Caritas' work – supporting vulnerable communities around the world. For the Catholic community, Caritas is how we help our brothers and sisters in need, upholding their human dignity through local partnerships grounded in Catholic social teaching. Pick up your envelopes from the Church today

Joshua Wellington

Come and join other men at Joshua Wellington's next meeting on Thursday 24 April 2025 from 7:00pm for a cuppa and a 7:30pm start in Connolly Hall (next to the Sacred Heart Cathedral). Michael Powell will be speaking on "Power to do good in Jesus' name". If you want to know more? Ring David Monastra 027 4477 280 or email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

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Catholicism Series Bible Study

The Genesis to Jesus team brings you the "Catholicism Series" - a series designed to help ordinary Catholics grow in their knowledge of key Catholic topics like Mariam, Lent, Angels & Saints, Catholic Art & Architecture and more while deepening their understanding of our rich faith. 10 Video sessions in all, held every second Tuesday with the next session on Tuesday 22 April from 6-7pm at St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall. Koha appreciated; light supper provided. If you need more information, please contact Donaldson at dlukose001@gmail.com

Carparks for Rent

The few church carparks have come up for rent Monday-Friday for \$86.25 inc. GST. If you are interested, please contact Abby in the Parish Office—04 473 8074

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.

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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